

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 128 (SB 98)

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Existing law provides for the La. Commission on the Deaf, within the La. Dept. of Health (LDH). New law retains existing law and further provides that the commission shall function as a program of the state and serve as the principal agency of the state providing leadership to promote the general welfare of d/Deaf, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing individuals.

Existing law provides for the membership of the commission. New law provides that the commission shall be governed by a board and updates the membership to add the executive director of the office of disability affairs and a public member who is DeafBlind.

Existing law provides for the duties and powers of the commission. New law provides for and updates the duties and powers of the commission and the governing board.

Existing law provides for a director of the commission. New law retains existing law but updates the qualifications of the director, and requires the secretary of LDH to consider the recommendations of the board in the hiring and termination processes of the director.

Effective August 1, 2022, with the exception of new law relative to Act 384 of the 2013 Regular Session which is effective only if the Department of Elderly Affairs is established.

(Amends R.S. 46:2351-2354; adds R.S. 46:2355; repeals R.S. 46:2356)