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DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 13:4163(C)) provides that the peremptory grounds for the continuance or extension are available to and for the benefit of a legislative member or employee for continuance of any type of proceeding and for the extension of any type of deadline pertaining to a criminal case, civil case, or administrative proceeding.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the peremptory grounds are available for any type of legal delay.

Present law (R.S. 13:4163(D)) provides that a motion for legislative continuance or extension shall be filed at no cost to the member, employee, or client of a member or employee.

Proposed law retains present law but deletes "legislative."

Proposed law provides that if a motion for continuance or extension pursuant to present law of a deadline is opposed, then the court shall award attorney fees and court costs payable to the client of the member or employee payable by the party or attorney who opposed the motion for legislative continuance or extension.

Present law (R.S. 13:4163(E)) provides the deadlines within which the court or agency shall grant the continuance or extension ex parte.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that if a legal deadline has run, a motion to continue or extend a legal deadline shall be timely if filed within five days prior to a hearing or proceeding on a motion for sanctions or penalties.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 13:4163(C)(1) and (D)(2); adds R.S. 13:4163(E)(2)(c))