

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 116

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

NOTARIES. Provides for reciprocal notarial authority of notaries qualified in St. Martin Parish and St. Landry Parish. (8/1/25)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 35:191(V), relative to notaries public; to provide authorization for a notary appointed and qualified in St. Martin Parish and St. Landry Parish to exercise notarial functions in all such parishes, without bonding or further application or examination; to provide for qualifications and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 35:191(V) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§191. Appointment; qualifications; examination

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V. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any person who is validly appointed notary public in and for the parish of St. Martin or the parish of St. Landry is hereby authorized and deemed eligible and qualified to exercise any and all of the functions of a notary in the parishes of St. Martin and St. Landry.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

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Present law (R.S. 35:191) provides that any person may be appointed a notary public in and for the parish in which he resides and in and for any one other parish in which he maintains an office, under certain circumstances.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any person who is validly appointed notary public in and for the parish of St. Martin or the parish of St. Landry is hereby authorized and deemed eligible and qualified to exercise any and all of the functions of a notary in the parishes of St. Martin and St. Landry.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 35:191(V))