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SENATE BILL NO. 135

## BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2852(C) and (D), relative to the Judicial Agency Referral
3	Residential Facility Regulatory Act; to provide for facilities providing housing or
4	temporary residence to individuals referred by judicial agencies; to provide for
5	certain services of a facility; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related
6	matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 40:2852(C) and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
9	follows:
10	§2852. Facilities providing treatment, housing, or temporary residence to
11	individuals referred by judicial agencies
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13	C.(1) No facility shall provide housing or temporary residence to any
14	individual and no judicial agency shall refer any individual to a facility providing
15	housing or temporary residence until the Department of Public Safety and
16	Corrections has adopted rules and has inspected the facility and certified that the
17	facility is in compliance with these rules as provided for by this Section.
18	(2) No facility shall provide treatment to any individual and no judicial
19	agency shall refer any individual to a facility providing treatment until the
20	Louisiana Department of Health has adopted rules and has inspected the facility
21	and certified that the facility is in compliance with these rules as provided for
22	by this Section.

**ENROLLED** D. For the purposes of this Chapter, "judicial agency" means the sheriff, sheriff's department, or district court and officers thereof, including the district judge, the prosecutor, and district attorneys. However, no sheriff or sheriff's

4 department of any parish in this state shall be deemed to be a judicial agency

pursuant to this Chapter. Judicial agency referral residential facilities shall not

participate in sheriffs' work release programs nor shall they receive funding from the

state.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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