The original instrument was prepared by Greg Waddell. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

DIGEST

Cheek (SB 65)

<u>Present law</u> prohibits an employer from hiring any licensed ambulance personnel or nonlicensed persons when the results of a criminal history check reveal that the individual has been convicted of certain criminal offenses. Provides that if the employer discovers such after employment of the individual, the employer shall immediately terminate the individual's employment.

<u>Present law</u> provides an exception to <u>present law</u>'s prohibition and required termination for an employee who has been employed for 24-months of the preceding 36-months and a person who has received a pardon of the conviction.

<u>Proposed law</u> ends the <u>present law</u> exception with regards to individuals employed for 24-months of the preceding 36-months after August 15, 2010, provided the individual continues to work for the same employer. Also, adds an exception for individuals who have had their conviction expunged.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:1300.53(C)(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

1. Adds exception for individuals who have had their conviction expunged.