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## DIGEST

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Burrell

HB No. 255

**Abstract:** Authorizes domestic abuse advocates to provide clerical assistance to petitioners in filing protective orders.

Present law provides that the clerk of court shall make forms available and provide assistance to petitioners in filing a protective order.

Proposed law retains present law and additionally authorizes domestic abuse advocates to provide clerical assistance to petitioners in filing a protective order.

Proposed law defines "domestic abuse advocate".

(Amends R.S. 46:2138 and Ch.C. Art. 1566)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill.

1. Added definition of "domestic abuse advocate".

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Amended proposed law to provide that domestic abuse advocates may only provide clerical assistance to petitioners in applying for a protective order.