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HB No. 1092

Abstract: Requires the paper form for the individual income tax return to include provisions whereby the taxpayer may select the method to be used for payment of his tax refund.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the secretary of the Dept. of Revenue to pay refunds for overpayments of tax. Refund payments are made from the current collections of taxes imposed by <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires the paper form of the individual income tax return to provide the following options for receipt of a refund: check, debit card, direct deposit, or any other format by which the department may pay a refund. A taxpayer who files a paper tax return may select the payment method for his refund. If a tax return does not reflect the selection of a specific method of payment by the taxpayer, the refund shall be paid in a manner determined by the secretary of the department.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the payment of tax refunds by use of a debit card.

(Amends R.S. 47:1621(D)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Ways and Means</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

- 1. Deleted provisions regarding the use of refund monies at gaming establishments.
- 2. Added requirement for the paper tax form to have options for the taxpayer to choose the form of payment of his refund.