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

## **DIGEST**

Ward (SB 208)

<u>Present law</u> provides that when a majority of voters are in favor of the recall, the public officer is, ipso facto, recalled and removed from office, and the office will be vacated upon expiration of the time period for contesting the recall election, as provided in <u>present law</u>, if an action contesting the recall election is not commenced timely or when the final judgment becomes definitive if an action contesting the recall election is commenced timely, and the office will be filled as in the case of ordinary vacancies and according to the constitution and laws of the state.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a public officer who has been recalled and removed from office will not be appointed to succeed himself in the office from which he was recalled and removed.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that a public officer recalled and removed from public office, as provided in <u>present law</u>, will be prohibited from succeeding himself in the office from which he was recalled and removed in any special election, called for that purpose.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 18:1300.13)