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DIGEST

Claitor (SB 304)

Present law, relative to Louisiana State Law Institute, provides that its duties include:

- (1) To consider needed improvements in both substantive and adjective law and to make recommendations concerning the same to the legislature.
- (2) To examine and study the civil law of Louisiana and the Louisiana jurisprudence and statutes of the state with a view of discovering defects and inequities and of recommending needed reforms.
- (3) To cooperate with the American Law Institute, the Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States, bar associations and other learned societies and bodies by receiving, considering, and making reports on proposed changes in the law recommended by any such body.
- (4) To receive and consider suggestions from judges, justices, public officials, lawyers, and the public generally as to defects and anachronisms in the law.
- (5) To recommend from time to time such changes in the law as it deems necessary to modify or eliminate antiquated and inequitable rules of law, and to bring the law of the state, both civil and criminal, into harmony with modern conditions.
- (6) To render biennial reports to the legislature, and if it deems advisable to accompany its reports with proposed bills to carry out any of its recommendations.
- (7) To make available translations of civil law materials and commentaries and to provide by studies and other doctrinal writings, materials for the better understanding of the civil law of Louisiana and the philosophy upon which it is based.
- (8) To recommend the repeal of obsolete articles in the Civil Code and Code of Civil Procedure and to suggest needed amendments, additions, and repeals.
- (9) To organize and conduct an annual meeting within the state for scholarly discussions of current problems in Louisiana law, bringing together representatives of the legislature, practicing attorneys, members of the bench and bar, and representatives of the law teaching profession.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds to make recommendations to the legislature on a biennial basis for the revision, removal, or repeal of provisions of law that have been declared

unconstitutional by final and definitive court judgment.

<u>Proposed law</u> also makes technical change to update name <u>from</u> "Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniformity of Legislation in the United States" to "Uniform Law Commission".

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

(Amends R.S. 24:204(A)(3); adds R.S. 24:204(A)(10))