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DIGEST

Crowe (SB 307)

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that notwithstanding any provisions of the law relative to qualifications of notaries public, the director of a hospital service district hospital, created pursuant to the provisions of <u>present law</u> or any act of the Louisiana legislature, may appoint not more than two employees of the hospital as ex officio notaries public.

<u>Present law</u> provides that such ex officio notaries may exercise the functions of a notary public only to administer oaths, receive sworn statements, execute affidavits, acknowledgments, and other documents, and shall be limited to matters within the official functions of the hospital.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that such ex officio notaries may exercise the functions of a notary public only to administer oaths, receive sworn statements, execute affidavits, acknowledgments, and other documents, and shall be limited to matters within the official business functions of the hospital.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 35:403(A) and (B))