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## DIGEST

Martiny (SB 518)

<u>Present law</u> provides that certain provisions in motor carrier transportation contracts are against the public policy of this state and are null, void, and unenforceable.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains the provisions of <u>present law</u> and adds that any claim for indemnity based upon a provision, covenant, or clause that is null, void, and unenforceable shall be deemed frivolous and shall subject the claimant to attorney fees, court costs, and reasonable costs incurred in the dismissal of the indemnity claim.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Adds R.S. 9:2780.1(J))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs to the original bill

- 1. Removes provisions relative to the Unfair Trade Practice and Consumer Protection Law.
- 2. Adds that any claim for indemnity based upon a provision, covenant, or clause that is null, void, and unenforceable shall be deemed frivolous and shall subject the claimant to attorney fees, court costs, and reasonable costs incurred in the dismissal of the indemnity claim.
- 3. Makes technical changes.