Regular Session, 2014

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1101

### BY REPRESENTATIVE BROADWATER

# COURTS/COURT REPORTERS: Provides relative to court reporters

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2557(B), relative to the Board of Examiners of Certified
3	Shorthand Reporters; to require the board to provide notice of an investigation; and
4	to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 37:2557(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§2557. Suspension of certificate; hearings; procedure
8	* * *
9	B. The Board of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters may upon its
10	own motion and shall upon the verified complaint in writing of any person setting
11	forth facts which if proved would constitute grounds for refusal to issue or renew,
12	or suspension or revocation of any such certificate, investigate the actions of any
13	person applying for, holding, or claiming to hold any such certificate, or any person
14	practicing court reporting as defined in this Chapter without first having obtained a
15	certificate hereunder. At the commencement of any such investigation, notice shall
16	be provided to any person subject to the investigation and shall provide the nature
17	and subject of the investigation. Neither the board nor its members, individually or
18	in their official capacities, shall be liable for undertaking such an investigation or for
19	subsequent actions when acting in good faith under this Chapter.
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#### DIGEST

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#### Broadwater

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**Abstract:** Requires the Board of Examiners for Certified Shorthand Reporters to provide notice of an investigation.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the Board of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters, on its own motion or if requested in writing by verified complaint, to investigate the actions of any person applying for, holding, or claiming to hold any certificate, or any person practicing court reporting without first having obtained a certificate.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that at the commencement of any such investigation, notice shall be provided to any person subject to the investigation and shall provide the nature and subject of the investigation.

(Amends R.S. 37:2557(B))