

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 331 by Representative Lopinto

DWI: Authorizes licensed practical nurses to administer chemical tests for intoxication

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Added that licensed practical nurses shall only withdraw blood as authorized by proposed law pursuant to a subpoena or court order.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law authorizes the following persons to withdraw blood and administer chemical tests to determine the blood alcohol content or the presence of abused or illegal substances: physicians, physician assistants, registered nurses, emergency medical technicians, chemists, nurse practitioners, or other qualified technicians.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes licensed practical nurses to withdraw blood and administer such tests.

Proposed law provides that licensed practical nurses shall only withdraw blood as authorized by proposed law pursuant to a subpoena or court order.

(Amends R.S. 32:664(A) and (B) and 666(A)(1)(a)(i); Adds R.S. 32:664(D) and 666(D))