DIGEST

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Crowe SB No. 307

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

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except it removes language referring to type of hospital "created pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 46:1051 et seq."

<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, and acknowledgments, 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))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Removes provision requiring hospital service districts be created pursuant to present law when appointing ex officio notaries.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure</u> to the <u>reengrossed</u> bill.

1. Deleted "other documents" from the enumerated list of documents an ex officio notary may execute pursuant to <u>proposed law</u>.