## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

ACT 393 (HB 331)

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<u>Existing law</u> requires all manufacturers, packers, or proprietors of processed foods, proprietary or patent medicines, prophylactic devices, and cosmetics, in package form, to register each separate and distinct product annually with the Dept. of Health and Hospitals.

New law adds an exemption for all alcoholic beverages as defined in existing law.

<u>New law</u> requires the commissioner of the office of alcohol and tobacco control to provide by rule for the registration, including submission and review of the container label, of all alcoholic beverages prior to being sold in this state.

<u>New law</u> authorizes the commissioner to require the use of an electronic submission system by any person submitting an alcoholic beverage for registration and review.

<u>New law</u> provides that the submission of a Certificate of Label Approval prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau shall constitute satisfactory compliance for the registration of products and labels, and the registration is effective upon submission of a completed application.

<u>New law</u> requires all administrative rules previously adopted by the Dept. of Health and Hospitals relative to the registration of or review of labels for alcoholic beverages to remain in full force and effect until such time as the commissioner of the office of alcohol and tobacco control promulgates rules pursuant to new law.

Effective August 1, 2015.

(Amends R.S. 40:627(A); Adds R.S. 26:793(D) and R.S. 40:627(E))