2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 68

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

## FAMILY LAW: Authorizes the use of electronic signatures on temporary restraining orders and protective orders

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2603(B)(4)(a), relative to electronic signatures; to provide for
3	the use of electronic signatures on petitions for certain protective orders and
4	restraining orders; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 9:2603(B)(4)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§2603. Scope
8	* * *
9	B. This Chapter shall not apply to:
10	* * *
11	(4)(a) A law governing adoption, divorce, or other matters of family law,
12	with the exception of petitions for protective orders, preliminary injunctions,
13	permanent injunctions, and temporary restraining orders.
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## DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the use of electronic signatures on petitions for certain protective orders and restraining orders.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits electronic signatures for laws governing adoption, divorce, or other matters of family law.

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but allows electronic signatures for petitions for temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions, permanent injunctions, and protective orders.

(Amends R.S. 9:2603(B)(4)(a))