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Abstract: Limits liability for damages caused by driving a motordrawn float or other vehicle.

Present law provides a limitation of liability for Mardi Gras krewes and organizations and traditional Courir de Mardi Gras, or any member thereof, and nonprofit organizations which sponsor fairs or festivals that present parades or courirs for any loss or damage caused by any member thereof in conjunction with the parade or courir unless the loss or damage was caused by the deliberate and wanton act or gross negligence of the krewe or organization or member thereof.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the limitation of liability does not apply if the member was operating a motor vehicle within the parade or festival and was a compensated employee of the krewe, organization, or courir and does not apply to a compensated employee of the krewe or organization for his individual acts of negligence.

Proposed law repeals present law and provides that no person shall have a cause of action against a krewe, organization, or courir described in present law, or a member, contractor, or employee of a contractor of such krewe, organization, or courir who is hired or contracted by the krewe, organization, or courir to construct or stage Mardi Gras parades for any loss or damage caused by the member, contractor, or employee of a contractor through the operation, transfer, or movement of a motordrawn float or other vehicle in connection with a Mardi Gras parade unless the loss or damage was caused by the deliberate and wanton act or gross negligence of the member, contractor, or employee of the contractor.

(Amends R.S. 9:2796(A))