

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 272 (HB 409)

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Existing law provides that the duties of a commissioner of the 19th JDC shall include hearings and making recommendations of dispositions of any civil, criminal, or domestic violence matter assigned to any judge of the 19th JDC.

New law clarifies that these duties shall only be assigned when necessary.

Existing law provides that in criminal matters the commissioners may hear preliminary motions prior to filing the bill of information or indictment and may make recommendations to the district judge.

New law further provides that the commissioner may dispose of preliminary motions but may only hear and dispose of preliminary motions when necessary.

Existing law provides that a commissioner may review and act on petitions for protective orders and matters of domestic violence, including the issuance of a temporary order of protection or restraint until a hearing may be conducted.

New law changes existing law to provide that a commissioner may issue a protective order if the protective order is a condition of bail or is required by statute.

Existing law provides that a commissioner may administer oaths, take acknowledgments, affidavits and depositions, review and act on petitions for protective orders, and conduct hearings regarding protective orders.

Prior law authorized a commissioner to make recommendations to the district judge for the issuance of a preliminary or permanent injunction in both civil and criminal matters.

New law repeals prior law.

Prior law authorized a commissioner to conduct hearings on protective orders and make recommendations to the district judge for the issuance of a preliminary or permanent injunction.

New law repeals prior law.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 13:713(A) and (B)(2)(e) and (l) and (3)(d); Repeals R.S. 13:713(B)(2)(m) and (3)(c))