

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law required the attorney general to provide legal representation to a city court judge for claims arising out of the discharge of his duties, within the scope of his office, and not resulting from intentional wrongful acts or gross negligence. Required the judge to provide a copy of any pleadings he is served to the attorney general and requires the attorney general to decline representation if it appears, after an investigation, that the judge was not acting in the discharge of his duties and within the scope of his office at the time of the alleged act or omission, or that he was acting in an intentionally wrongful manner or was grossly negligent.

New law retains prior law and provides same provisions for attorney general representation of a parish court judge.

Prior law provided that if the attorney general declines representation of a city court judge, any information obtained by him as a result of the investigation is considered confidential and is not to be admissible as evidence in a legal proceeding.

New law retains prior law and provides same provisions for attorney general investigations of claims against a parish court judge.

Prior law provides that nothing in prior law shall in any way impair, limit, or modify the rights and obligations of any insurer under any policy of insurance or impair the right of the city court judge to obtain private counsel in his own behalf.

New law retains prior law and provides same provisions for insurers and parish court judges.

Prior law provided that it shall not be construed as creating a right of indemnification by a city court judge against the state for any claim, demand, suit, or judgment.

New law retains prior law and provides same provisions regarding interpretation of new law.

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(Adds R.S. 13:2564.3)