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<u>Present law</u> provides that the owner of an enclosed estate who has no access to his estate other than by way of an existing waterway passing through neighboring property shall have a right and servitude of passage on such waterway.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that such owner is bound to indemnify his neighbor for the damage he may occasion.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that it shall have prospective application only.

(Amends R.S. 9:1254(A))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to the original bill

- 1. Changed "compensate" to "reasonably compensate".
- 2. Added prospective application only.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

- 1. Restricts reasonable compensation to his neighbor for the right and servitude acquired if it is used for commercial or business purposes.
- 2. Retains indemnity requirement.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Civil Law and</u> <u>Procedure to the reengrossed bill:</u>
- 1. Delete provisions requiring reasonable compensation for the right and servitude acquired if it is used for commercial or business purposes.