

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 107 (SB 28)**

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**Morrish**

Prior law provided that any pretrial diversion facility not required to be licensed by DH or DCFS must be regulated by rules adopted by DPSC governing the construction, standards of operation, and services for the facilities.

Prior law prohibited a facility from providing housing or temporary residence or a judicial agency from referring anyone to a facility until DPSC has adopted rules and inspected the facility to certify compliance with the rules.

Prior law defined "judicial agency" as the district court and officers thereof, including the district judge, the prosecutor, and district attorneys.

Prior law excluded the sheriff or sheriff's department of any parish from the definition of judicial agency, prohibited judicial agency referral residential facilities from participating in sheriffs' work release programs, and prohibited judicial agency referral residential facilities from receiving state funds.

Prior law required the facilities be accredited by the American Correctional Association within 24 months of opening and maintain accreditation at all times.

New law removes the requirement that all facilities must be accredited by the American Correctional Association within 24 months of opening and maintain accreditation at all times and otherwise retains prior law.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 40:2852(D) and repeals R.S. 40:2852(E))