

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law authorizes local government entities operating sewer systems to contract with local government entities operating water systems and with private water companies for the collection of charges for sewerage services by the entity providing water. Provides further that such contract shall include provisions for a procedure to enforce collection of sewer charges by an agreement to shut off the service of the supply of water to any premises delinquent in the payment of either its water charges or sewer charges.

New law provides an exception relative to Sewerage District No. 1 for Tangipahoa Parish by requiring each entity operating a water system within the service area of the district to collect service charges imposed for sewerage services rendered by the district.

New law authorizes the governing authority of Tangipahoa Parish to enact ordinances to enforce new law and to require that water services be disconnected if a customer fails to pay such charges. Requires that any such ordinance provides for the reimbursement of collection costs.

New law provides for the liability of the water system operator for damages suffered by the sewerage district resulting from a failure to collect such charges.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 33:4169(C))