

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 471

BY SENATOR RISER

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. Provides relative to the functions of jury commissions in certain parishes. (8/1/18)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 404(H), relative to jury
3 commissions; to provide for the functions of the jury commission in the parish of
4 Caldwell; to transfer the functions of the jury commission to the clerk of court of
5 Caldwell Parish; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 404(H) is hereby amended and reenacted
8 to read as follows:

9 Art. 404. Appointment of jury commissions; term of office; oath; quorum;
10 performance of functions of jury commissions in certain parishes

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12 H. In the parishes of Caldwell, Claiborne, DeSoto, Union, and Webster, the
13 function of the jury commission shall be performed by the clerks of court of
14 Caldwell Parish, Claiborne Parish, DeSoto Parish, Union Parish, and Webster
15 Parish or by a deputy clerk of court designated by the respective clerk in writing to
16 act in his stead in all matters affecting the jury commission. The clerk of court or his
17 designated deputy shall have the same powers, duties, and responsibilities, and shall

1 be governed by all applicable provisions of law pertaining to jury commissioners.
 2 The clerks of court of **Caldwell Parish**, Claiborne Parish, DeSoto Parish, Union
 3 Parish, and Webster Parish shall perform the duties and responsibilities otherwise
 4 imposed upon him by law with respect to jury venires, shall coordinate the jury
 5 venire process, and shall receive the compensation generally authorized for a jury
 6 commissioner.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Angela L. De Jean.

DIGEST

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Present law provides for a jury commission in each parish to perform certain functions including coordination of the jury venire process.

Present law requires the clerks of court of Claiborne Parish, DeSoto Parish, Union Parish, and Webster Parish to perform the functions of the jury commission in their respective parishes.

Proposed law retains present law and adds Caldwell Parish to the clerks of court required to perform the functions of the jury commission in their respective parishes.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Art. 404(H))