

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 305 (HB 268)

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Existing law provides that a court with original criminal jurisdiction or juvenile jurisdiction may require that a statement of a protected person be recorded on videotape and may be used in a juvenile or criminal proceeding.

Existing law defines "protected person" as any person who is a victim of a crime or a witness in a criminal proceeding and who is either of the following:

- (1) Under the age of 17 years.
- (2) Has a developmental disability.

New law adds to the existing law definition of "protected person" an adult eligible for protective services pursuant to existing law.

Existing law, relative to protective services, defines "adult" as any individual 18 years of age or older, or an emancipated minor who, due to a physical, mental, or developmental disability or the infirmities of aging, is unable to manage his own resources, carry out the activities of daily living, or protect himself from abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

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(Amends R.S. 15:440.2(C)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 15:440.2(C)(3))