## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 540 (HB 138)** 

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Havard

<u>Existing law</u> authorizes the secretary of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to appoint special agents who are authorized to carry weapons exposed or concealed while in the performance of their duties in the same manner as law enforcement officers. <u>Existing law</u> requires the secretary of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to adopt rules and regulations governing the qualifications and duties of special agents.

<u>Prior law</u> required the special agents to be appointed from permanent status employees or full-time employees who have attained the rank of sergeant or Probation and Parole Officer

<u>New law</u> removes the requirement that a person be a permanent status or full-time employee in order to be appointed as a special agent, but retains the requirement that the special agent be a person who has attained the rank of sergeant or Probation and Parole Officer 1.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 15:825.2(A))