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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Extends the deadline from Aug. 15, 2021, to Aug. 15, 2031, to let public bids for construction or execute a lease agreement in order to retain the authority to levy additional cost and charges by the Civil District Court for the parish of Orleans.

Present law authorizes and provides certain conditions for the Civil District Court for the parish of Orleans and its clerk of court to impose the following additional costs of court and service charges until the bonded indebtedness or lease obligation is paid.

Present law creates the Civil District Court for the parish of Orleans Judicial District Court Building Commission for purposes of the construction and funding of the courthouse and provides for membership of the commission.

Present law provides that if neither public bids have been let for construction nor a lease agreement executed for a privately constructed facility for use as a courthouse by Aug. 15, 2021, then the authority to levy the additional costs and charges shall terminate and be null and void.

Proposed law retains present law and extends the deadline from Aug. 15, 2021, to Aug. 15, 2031, to let public bids for construction or execute a lease agreement to retain authority to levy additional costs and charges.

(Amends R.S. 13:996.67(D))