## DIGEST

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Abstract: Makes various changes to the La. Equal Housing Opportunity Act to prohibit housing discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

<u>Present law</u> of the La. Equal Housing Opportunity Act generally provides that all persons should be able to compete for available housing on an open, fair, and equitable basis, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds a person's sexual orientation and gender identity to the La. Equal Housing Opportunity Act as factors not to be considered in the competition for available housing.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines the following terms for the purposes of <u>proposed law</u>: "gender identity" and "sexual orientation".

(Amends R.S. 51:2602(A), 2603(10)-(12), 2606(A)(1)-(5), 2607(A) and (C), and 2608; Adds R.S. 51:2603(13) and (14))