The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Xavier I. Alexander.

## DIGEST

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that absent a showing of a compelling state interest, no state agency or state official shall impose any additional annual filings or reporting requirements by rule or policy on a charitable organization that is more restrictive than the specific requirements for charitable organizations under federal or state law. Provides that the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs, and the House Committee on Commerce may review any filing or reporting requirement that is more restrictive than the requirements for charitable organization as provided in the state and federal law.

<u>Proposed law</u> shall not apply to the state's direct spending programs including state grants and state contracts or to fraud investigations. Provides that <u>proposed law</u> shall not restrict enforcement actions against a specific nonprofit organization.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "charitable organization" as a person who is or holds himself out to be a benevolent, civic, recreational, educational, voluntary, health, law enforcement, social service, philanthropic, fraternal, humane, patriotic, religious, or eleemosynary organization.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 51:1909.11)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## <u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer</u> <u>Protection, and International Affairs to the original bill</u>

- 1. Removes the term burdensome and provides that no annual or reporting requirements be more restrictive than state on federal law.
- 2. Removes the provision authorizing certain legislative committees to approve the restrictive filings or reporting requirement.
- 3. Removes the requirement that the legislative committees meet jointly.
- 4. Make technical changes.