2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 583

BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

TELEVISION/CABLE: Provides relative to franchise fee audits

1   AN ACT

2   To amend and reenact R.S. 45:1367(A), relative to franchise fee audits; to provide a limit

3   on which records may be addressed in a review; and to provide for related matters.

4   Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5   Section 1. R.S. 45:1367(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

6   §1367. Franchise fee audits and dispute resolution

7   A. The local governmental subdivision, upon reasonable written request,

8   may review the business records of a cable service provider or video service provider

9   to the extent necessary to ensure payment of the franchise fee in accordance with

10   R.S. 45:1366. Any review conducted in accordance with this Section shall not

11   address any period more than three years before the date the review is commenced.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Enacts a time limit on records that may be addressed in an audit.

Present law provides that a local governmental subdivision, upon reasonable written request,
may review the business records of a cable service provider or video service provider to the
extent necessary to ensure payment of the franchise fee in accordance with present law.

Proposed law amends present law and states that a review shall not address any records produced more than 3 years from the date the review is commenced.

(Amends R.S. 45:1367(A))