

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law (R.S. 13:2575) authorizes municipalities and parishes to prescribe civil fines for violations of certain types of ordinances, including housing ordinances. Existing law defines the term "housing violation" as only those conditions in privately owned structures which are determined to constitute a threat or danger to the public health, safety, or welfare or to the environment or a historic district. Existing law further provides that in municipalities with a population of 70,000 or more, and in other specified parishes and municipalities, the term shall also encompass building codes, zoning, vegetation, and nuisance ordinances.

New law provides that in the city of DeRidder the term "housing violation" shall also encompass building code, zoning, vegetation, nuisance, and sewerage and drainage system ordinances.

Existing law authorizes municipalities and parishes to adopt ordinances establishing an administrative adjudication procedure for holding hearings related to violations. Additionally authorizes certain parishes and municipalities to use administrative adjudication procedures in matters involving licensing, permits, and other ordinance violations.

New law authorizes the city of DeRidder to use administrative adjudication procedures in matters involving licensing, permits, and other ordinance violations.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 13:2575.10)