

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 968 (Substitute for House Bill No. 587 by Representative Bryant)

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT

INSURERS: Provides relative to liability insurance for arborists

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 3:3810(A)(9), relative to insurance for arborists; to require an arborist license
3 for obtaining liability insurance; to provide for violations; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 3:3810(A)(9) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §3810. Violations

8 A. Failure to comply with any provision of this Chapter or of any rule or
9 regulation adopted pursuant to this Chapter shall constitute a violation. Violations
10 include but are not limited to:

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12 (9) Obtaining the insurance required for arborists pursuant to LAC
13 7:XXIX.117(E)(2) without obtaining an arborist license to perform work pursuant
14 to the provisions of this Chapter.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires an arborist license for the purpose of obtaining any insurance required for arborists.

Proposed law provides that failure to obtain the insurance required for arborists as outlined in administrative rule LAC 7:XXIX.117(E)(2) constitutes a horticulture violation.

Present law (R.S. 3:3810.2) provides the following civil penalties for horticulture violations:

- (1) \$500 per violation, if the person was not found guilty in a prior adjudication.
- (2) \$1000 per violation, if the person was found guilty in a prior adjudication.
- (3) \$1,500 per violation, if the person was found guilty in two or more prior adjudications.
- (4) The commission may assess the costs of the adjudicatory hearing.

(Adds R.S. 3:3810(A)(9))