RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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<u>Existing law</u> authorizes parish governing authorities to create road lighting districts and to consolidate existing districts. Road lighting districts are authorized to enter into contracts with an electric public utility to provide and maintain electric lights on the roads and in public places. Provides that the parish governing authority is the governing authority of such a district and the parish treasurer is the district's treasurer. Authorizes road lighting districts to levy ad valorem taxes subject to voter approval.

<u>New law</u> provides that a parish governing authority may authorize road lighting districts and consolidated road lighting districts to use up to 25% of their funds to purchase, install, operate, and maintain electronic safety equipment. Authorizes the parish governing authority to designate a district that is authorized to use funds in accordance with <u>new law</u> as a "security and road lighting district".

<u>New law</u> directs the La. State Law Institute to reorganize <u>existing law</u> relative to road lighting districts.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends the Heading of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of L.R.S. and R.S. 48:1306, 1307, and 1308)