

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 384 (HB 593)

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Existing law provides that the public water, sewerage, and drainage systems of the city of New Orleans shall be constructed, controlled, maintained, and operated by the sewerage and water board of New Orleans. Authorizes the board to employ clerks, engineers, firemen, and other skilled and unskilled employees necessary and proper to the efficient administration, operation, and control of the systems. Requires all employees except unskilled laborers to pass a civil service examination prior to appointment.

New law provides that if an employment position, other than an executive management position, cannot be filled with a New Orleans resident within 90 days after the position has been advertised, the board may employ a person who is not a New Orleans resident, and the person remains exempt from the city's residency requirement for the duration of the person's employment.

New law also requires the State Civil Service Commission and the Civil Service Commission of the City of New Orleans to develop a plan for the transfer of all employees of the sewerage and water board of New Orleans to the state civil service. Requires that the plan be fully implemented by Aug. 1, 2025. However, House Resolution No. 334 of the 2024 R.S. directs the State Civil Service Commission and the Civil Service Commission of the City of New Orleans to disregard new law and not to proceed with the plan contemplated therein.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 33:4076)