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DIGEST

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Present law provides for the secretary and employees of the department designated by him to supervise and direct all aeronautic activities and facilities. Proposed law changes the duties of aeronautics from the secretary of DOTD to the DOTD office of multimodal commerce commissioner.

Present law provides for activities pertaining to aircraft registration, identification, equipment, and enforcement delegated to the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or his designee. Proposed law moves the provisions relative to aircraft registration, identification, equipment, and enforcement from the secretary of DPS to the DOTD, office of multimodal commerce commissioner.

Present law provides the secretary of DOTD may administer oaths when necessary and sign any license or document relevant to the promotion or regulation of aviation, whether state or federal. Proposed law changes this responsibility from the secretary of DOTD to the DOTD, office of multimodal commerce commissioner.

Present law provides for powers and duties of the department and promulgation of rules and regulations pertaining to aeronautics. Proposed law retains present law except for air instruction and air marketing and all other nonfederal air navigation facilities.

Present law provides for the department to prescribe reasonable rules and regulations as it deems necessary and advisable regarding curriculum, equipment, personnel, and operation and management of all air instruction. Proposed law removes this provision.

Present law provides for protecting the health and safety of students receiving or to receive instruction of student aviators. Proposed law removes this provision.

Present law provides for the promotion of aeronautics governing the establishment, location, maintenance, and operation of all air markings, air beacons, and other air-navigation facilities. Proposed law retains present law and removes the provisions governing the establishment, location, maintenance and operation of air markings.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 2:5 and 6(A) and (B)(1))