

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 307

BY SENATOR CROWE

NOTARIES. Provides relative to hospital notaries.(8/1/14)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 35:403(A) and (B), relative to hospital notaries; to provide relative to certain hospital service district hospitals; to provide for certain limitations, terms, conditions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 35:403(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§403. Ex officio notaries for hospital service district hospitals

A. Notwithstanding any provisions of the law relative to qualifications of notaries public, the director of a hospital service district hospital, created pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 46:1051 et seq. **or any act of the Louisiana legislature,** may appoint not more than two employees of the hospital as ex officio notaries public.

B. Such ex officio notaries may exercise the functions of a notary public only to administer oaths, receive sworn statements, execute affidavits, acknowledgments, and other documents, and shall be limited to matters within the official **business** functions of the hospital.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Julie J. Baxter.

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#### DIGEST

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Present law provides that notwithstanding any provisions of the law relative to qualifications of notaries public, the director of a hospital service district hospital, created pursuant to the provisions of present law, may appoint not more than two employees of the hospital as ex-officio notaries public.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding any provisions of the law relative to qualifications of notaries public, the director of a hospital service district hospital, created pursuant to the provisions of present law or any act of the Louisiana legislature, may appoint not more than two employees of the hospital as ex officio notaries public.

Present law provides that such ex officio notaries may exercise the functions of a notary public only to administer oaths, receive sworn statements, execute affidavits, acknowledgments, and other documents, and shall be limited to matters within the official functions of the hospital.

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Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 35:403(A) and (B))