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## DIGEST

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Lopinto

HB No. 330

**Abstract:** Authorizes the use of electronic means for the delivery of an order for protective custody and transportation to law enforcement.

Present law authorizes any parish coroner or judge of a court of competent jurisdiction to order certain persons to be taken into protective custody and transported to a treatment facility or the office of the coroner for immediate examination.

Present law provides that the order for custody shall be delivered to the coroner or director of the treatment facility by the individual who has transported the person and requires the date and hour that the person is taken into protective custody to be written on the order.

Proposed law provides that the order for custody shall be delivered to the appropriate law enforcement agency for execution by hand, facsimile, or other electronic means, including but not limited to e-mail.

Proposed law requires the law enforcement officer or transporting person to deliver a copy of the order for custody to the coroner, patient, and director of the treatment facility upon execution with the date and hour that the person is taken into protective custody clearly written on the order.

(Amends R.S. 28:53.2(D))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill.

1. Changed references in proposed law from "sheriff" to "law enforcement officer" and "law enforcement agency".
2. Authorized the delivery of the protective order to the appropriate law enforcement agency by hand.