

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Barrow

Prior law provided that upon admission of any person by emergency certificate to a treatment facility, the director of the treatment facility shall immediately notify the coroner of the parish in which the treatment facility is located of the admission, giving certain information as provided in prior law, if known.

Prior law, relative to St. Tammany Parish, provided, among other requirements, the following shall apply when a patient is transferred from another parish pursuant to an emergency certificate:

- (1) The coroner shall be notified immediately following the execution of a second emergency certificate and shall conduct an independent examination within 72 hours as provided in prior law.
- (2) Nothing in prior law shall be construed to authorize a period of commitment to exceed 15 days from the date and time the initial emergency certificate was executed in the parish of origin.

New law retains prior law for St. Tammany Parish and applies these provisions of prior law to the parishes of East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Orleans, and Ouachita.

Prior law, relative to St. Tammany Parish, provided that when a patient is transferred from another parish pursuant to an emergency certificate, a second physician's emergency certificate may be executed by a physician at the admitting facility.

New law, applicable to the parishes of East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Orleans, Ouachita, and St. Tammany, provides that when a patient is transferred from another parish pursuant to an emergency certificate, when appropriate, a second physician's emergency certificate shall be executed by a physician at the admitting facility.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 28:53(G)(7)(c)(i); adds R.S. 28:53(G)(8))