

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law provided that the budget office under the direction of the division of administration shall furnish each budget unit a set of guidelines to allow the office to establish a continuation budget. The continuation budget is defined as that funding level for each budget unit which reflects the financial resources necessary to carry on all existing programs and functions of the budget unit at their current level of service in the ensuing fiscal year.

New law retains prior law and requires the budget office to also prepare a nondiscretionary adjusted standstill budget as well as a continuation budget. Additionally, both budgets shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget at the first meeting in January of each year.

New law provides that upon receipt of a budget unit's nondiscretionary adjusted standstill budget estimate, the division of administration shall review the estimates for reasonableness and then combine the agency estimates with the mandatory statewide standard adjustments, which shall constitute the nondiscretionary adjusted standstill budget for the ensuing fiscal year.

New law provides that the nondiscretionary adjusted standstill budget shall be based upon the assumption that current law and administrative rules shall remain in effect for the estimate year.

New law requires the nondiscretionary adjusted standstill budget and the continuation budget to be contained in the same document.

New law further requires that the nondiscretionary adjusted standstill budget shall be presented at the same meeting of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget as the continuation budget.

Effective July 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 39:29(A) and (B), 32(E)(3) and (7); adds R.S. 39:2(40.1) and 29(C) and (D))