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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for the procedure for obtaining criminal history record information, changes the definition of builder, and gives the commission authority to suspend continuing education requirements.

Present law authorizes the La. Manufactured Housing Commission to obtain criminal history record information from the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information (bureau) on applicants for any license issued by the commission. Further, present law authorizes the commission to charge and collect a fee from an applicant to cover the cost of obtaining the applicant's criminal history record information.

Proposed law retains present law and requires the applicant to submit fingerprints and necessary information to the commission, who shall submit the information to the bureau, and requires the bureau to provide the commission with the applicant's criminal history record information.

Present law requires the commission to set continuing education requirements and approve providers and materials for continuing education courses.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the commission to suspend the continuing education requirements.

Present law defines a builder to mean a person or an entity that designs, manufactures, or constructs homes, including dealers, developers, manufacturers, and installers, whether or not the consumer purchased the underlying real estate with the home or the builder initially occupied the home as his residence.

Proposed law repeals present law and defines a builder as the dealer who sold the home, the manufacturer who constructed the home or any section of the home if it is a multi-section home, the installer who installed the home, any person or an entity that designed, manufactured, or constructed the home, whether or not the consumer purchased the underlying real estate with the home or the builder initially occupied the home as his residence, or any person or entity licensed by the commission.

Present law requires the owner to give written notice of defects to the commission by following certain procedures, and requires the commission to give the appropriate builder a reasonable opportunity to comply with present law.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that notice shall be required for each individual home that is defective.

Present law requires installers to attend one continuing education course per year and requires the commission to set continuing education requirements and approve providers and materials for continuing education courses.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the commission to suspend the continuing education requirements.

(Amends R.S. 51:911.24(I)(1), (2), and (J)(1), 912.3(1), 912.5(A), and 912.27(A)(3); Adds R.S. 51:911.24(I)(3))