HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2021 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 103 by Representative McCormick

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 2, after "relative to civil liability;" delete the remainder of the line and delete
- 3 line 3 in its entirety and on line 4, delete "public and private entities; to provide for
- 4 damages;" and insert the following
- 5 "to provide for refusal to mandate COVID-19 vaccination; to provide for legislative findings; to provide relative to business and professional licenses;"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 2

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9 On page 1, delete lines 8 through 16 in their entirety, and insert the following:

"§2800.28. Legislative findings; COVID-19 vaccination mandates; limitation on liability; protection of business permits and professional licenses

- A. The legislature finds and declares that:
- (1) Businesses and employers are not permitted to violate their employees' deeply held religious liberty and rights of conscience in violation of Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of Louisiana and the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America. Some employees have refused to undergo injection of COVID-19 vaccinations or immunizations based upon deeply held religious beliefs or rights of conscience.
- (2) The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 prohibits businesses and employers from requiring certain employees to undergo certain medical procedures. Some employees have refused to take certain COVID-19 vaccinations on the basis that underlying medical conditions may be exacerbated if the employee is required to take such vaccinations or immunizations.
- B. No natural or juridical person shall be liable for any civil damages and no cause of action may be maintained against a natural or juridical person who, in the course of, through the performance of, or by a provision of the person's business operations, refuses to mandate a COVID-19 vaccination or immunization for any employee or customer.
- C. No state or local government, or political subdivision thereof, shall refuse to permit, renew, or withhold a business license or professional license solely on the basis that the business has refused to mandate a COVID-19 vaccination or immunization for any employee or customer."