DIGEST

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Abstract: Places the marshal of the city of Natchitoches within the general fee schedules of marshals and constables (R.S. 13:5807) by removing the authority of the city marshal and constables of the city of Natchitoches to collect certain fees and costs under a separate authority (R.S. 13:5807.1).

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 13:5807.1) authorizes the marshal of the city of Natchitoches to charge not less than \$10 but not more than \$20 for each service rendered in civil matters.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 13:5807(B)) provides that 60% of the fees collected pursuant to <u>present law</u> shall be deposited in the equipment and training fund used to assist in the purchasing or updating of necessary equipment and officer training of constables and marshals.

<u>Proposed law</u> places the marshal of the city of Natchitoches within the general fee schedules of marshals and constables (R.S. 13:5807) by removing the authority of the city marshal and constables of the city of Natchitoches to collect certain fees and costs under a separate authority (R.S. 13:5807.1).

The provisions of Act No. 63 of the 2020 R.S. increase the fee charged by the city marshal of Natchitoches for services from \$20 to \$30, and require all service fees collected to be deposited in the marshal's training and equipment fund to assist in the purchasing or updating of equipment and officer training. The imposition of the court fees pursuant to Act No. 63 is subject to approval by the Judicial Council.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of Act No. 63 of the 2020 R.S. shall not go into effect.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 13:5807.1(A)(intro. para.); Repeals R.S. 13:5807.1(A)(15)(b) and (D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the engrossed bill:

1. Repeal R.S. 13:5897(A)(15)(b).