The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michelle Ridge.

DIGEST

Present law provides limitations on the initiation of disciplinary proceedings by professional or occupational boards and commissions. Present law does not apply to the Board of Medical Examiners, Board of Dentistry, Cemetery Board, Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors, Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, Board of Pharmacy, Board of Nursing, Board of Social Work Examiners, Physical Therapy Board, Board of Practical Nurse Examiners, and certified public accountants.

Proposed law retains present law provisions and suspends the time periods for the initiation of disciplinary proceeding by certain boards and commissions during the pendency of a legal action involving the licensee as a party or witness if the complaint arises from the same facts giving rise to the legal action or arises from the licensee's activities in the legal action.

Proposed law defines "legal action".

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 37:21(A))