

2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 322

BY SENATOR FRED MILLS

OFFICIAL JOURNALS. Provides relative to official journal publication by police juries, city and parish councils, municipal corporations, and school boards. (8/1/22)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 43:212 and 213, relative to advertisements or publication of notices that are

3 required to be made in relation to judicial proceedings; to provide for exceptions for

4 certain public entities; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 43:212 and 213 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§212. Judicial advertisements and legal notices; by certain political bodies**

8 **A. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, all police**

9 **juries, city and parish councils, municipal corporations, and school boards,**

10 **when advertisements or publications of notices are required to be made by law,**

11 **may use a shortened newspaper advertisement that only requires a reference to**

12 **the public action and either a phone number and email address where citizens**

13 **can request a written copy, via mail or email, of the full advertisement or a**

14 **website where the full advertisement may be viewed.**

15 **B. Any advertisement made pursuant to this Section shall be no less than**

16 **a one-quarter page in size.**

17 **C. The price offered to any entity under this Section by the publication**

1 shall never be less favorable than the price charged to any other party for a
2 similar form of advertisement.

3 §213. Advertisements of judicial sales by sheriffs

4 A. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the sheriff of
5 any parish may choose to use a shortened newspaper advertisement of the sale
6 of immovable property under judicial process that only requires the following:

7 (1) The suit number related to the immovable property for sale.

8 (2) The title of the suit in which the writ is issued.

9 (3) The date, time, and location of the sale.

10 (4) The municipal address where the property is located.

11 (5) A phone number and email address where citizens can request a
12 written copy of the full legal advertisement of the immovable property for sale.

13 B. The provisions of Subsection A of this Section may only be utilized by
14 a sheriff that both:

15 (1) Maintains a website that posts the full legal advertisement of the
16 immovable property for sale.

17 (2) Has an established process for providing citizens an emailed or
18 mailed copy of the full legal advertisement upon request.

19 C. The price offered to any entity under this Section by the publication
20 shall never be less favorable than the price charged to any other party for a
21 similar form of advertisement.

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

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Proposed law provides that all police juries, city and parish councils, municipal corporations, and school boards, when advertisements or publications of notices are required to be made in relation to judicial proceedings, or in the sale of property under judicial process, or in any other legal proceedings of any kind, may use a shortened newspaper advertisement that only requires a reference to the public action and either a phone number and email address where citizens can request a written copy of the full legal advertisement of the immovable property for sale or a website where the full legal advertisement may be viewed.

Proposed law provides that any advertisement made pursuant to proposed law will be no less

than a one-quarter page in size.

Proposed law provides the sheriff of any parish may choose to use a shortened newspaper advertisement for the sale of immovable property under judicial process that only requires:

- (1) The suit number related to the immovable property for sale;
- (2) The title of the suit in which the writ is issued;
- (3) The date, time and location of the sale;
- (4) The municipal address where the property is located; and
- (5) A phone number and email address where citizens can request a written copy of the full legal advertisement of the immovable property for sale.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of proposed law may only be utilized by a sheriff that:

- (1) Maintains a website that posts the full legal advertisement of the immovable property for sale; and
- (2) Has an established process for providing citizens an emailed or mailed copy of the full legal advertisement upon request.

Proposed law provides that the price offered to any entity under proposed law by the publication will never be less favorable than the price charged to any other party for a similar form of advertisement.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 43:212 and 213)