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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides that the legislature must specifically direct the La. State Law Institute to fulfill its duties as provided by law.

Present law (R.S. 24:204(A)) provides for the general purposes of the La. State Law Institute. Present law provides for the following duties of the La. State Law Institute:

- (1) To consider needed improvements in present law and make recommendations to the legislature.
- (2) To examine and study the civil law of La. and jurisprudence and recommend reforms.
- (3) To cooperate with the American Law Institute, the Uniform Law Commission, bar associations, and other societies and bodies by receiving, considering, and making reports on proposed changes recommended by any such body.
- (4) To receive and consider suggestions from judges, justices, public officials, lawyers, and the public.
- (5) To recommend changes in the law as necessary to modify or eliminate antiquated or inequitable rules of law.
- (6) To render biennial reports to the legislature and, if it deems advisable, to accompany its reports with proposed bills.
- (7) To make available translations of civil law materials and commentaries and to provide by studies and other doctrinal writings, materials for the understanding of La. civil law and the civil law philosophy.
- (8) To recommend the repeal of obsolete articles and suggest needed amendments, additions, and repeals.
- (9) To organize and conduct an annual meeting.
- (10) To make biennial recommendations on unconstitutional provisions of laws.

Proposed law changes present law to provide that the legislature must specifically direct by

concurrent resolution the La. State Law Institute to conduct its duties.

Present law (R.S. 24:251) provides that the La. State Law Institute shall direct and supervise the continuous revision of the La. Revised Statutes.

Proposed law changes present law to provide that the legislature must specifically direct by concurrent resolution the La. State Law Institute to supervise the continuous revision of the La. Revised Statutes.

(Amends R.S. 24:204(A)(intro. para.) and 251)