SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 98 2022 Regular Session Hewitt

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Provides relative to the Louisiana Commission for the Deaf. (See Act)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Makes technical corrections.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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<u>Present law</u> provides for the La. Commission on the Deaf, within the La. Dept. of Health (LDH). <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides that the commission shall function as a program of the state and serve as the principal agency of the state providing leadership to promote the general welfare of d/Deaf, DeafBlind, and hard of hearing individuals.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the membership of the commission. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that the commission shall be governed by a board and updates the membership to add the executive director of the office of disability affairs and a public member who is DeafBlind.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the duties and powers of the commission. <u>Proposed law</u> provides for and updates the duties and powers of the commission and the governing board.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a director of the commission. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but updates the qualifications of the director, and requires the secretary of LDH to consider the recommendations of the board in the hiring and termination processes of the director.

<u>Proposed law</u> effective August 1, 2022, with the exception of <u>proposed law</u> relative to Act 384 of the 2013 Regular Session.

(Amends R.S. 46:2351-2354; adds R.S. 46:2355; repeals R.S. 46:2356)

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