

SENATE BILL NO. 396

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 331(A)(1), relative to bail; to provide relative to bail obligations after a conviction; to provide relative to the rights of the district attorney; to provide relative to the obligations owed at the time of conviction; to provide relative to a judgment of bond forfeiture; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 331(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Art. 331. Discharge of bail obligation

A.(1) Upon conviction in any case, the bail undertaking shall cease and the surety shall be relieved of all obligations under the bail undertaking **by operation of law without the need to file a motion or other pleading. The provisions of this Subparagraph shall not prejudice the state's right to obtain a judgment of bond forfeiture after the elapse of one hundred eighty days following the execution of the certificate that notice of warrant for arrest was sent pursuant to Code of Criminal Procedure Article 334.**

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____