RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Davis

<u>Existing law</u> requires the value of admission tickets for certain events to be printed on the face of the ticket.

New law retains existing law.

Prior law prohibited the resale of admission tickets for higher than face value.

New law repeals prior law.

<u>Existing law</u> establishes penalties for violations of <u>existing law</u> including a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500. New law retains existing law.

<u>Prior law</u> established penalties for violations of <u>existing law</u> including imprisonment for a period of either 30 days or 90 days. <u>New law</u> repeals <u>prior law</u>.

<u>Prior law</u> authorized ticket sales at greater than face value for athletic events for colleges and universities when the payment is made directly to the college or university or to the college or university's alumni program or other organization meant to provide the school with financial support.

New law repeals prior law.

<u>Existing law</u> authorizes the resale of admission tickets for higher than face value via the internet when authorized by the event organizer and operator. If such authorization is granted, the seller may sell the ticket on any website, provided the website's operator guarantees a full refund if:

- (1) The event is canceled.
- (2) The buyer is denied entry at no fault of the buyer.
- (3) The ticket is delivered in a manner not stated on the website or not guaranteed by the reseller and the buyer is unable to attend.

<u>New law</u> repeals the portions of <u>existing law</u> that provide for the authorization needed by the organizer or operator. <u>New law</u> otherwise retains <u>existing law</u>.

<u>Existing law</u> requires a website operator to post the guarantee made pursuant to <u>existing law</u> on the operator's website and further requires that prospective buyers be directed to the guarantee prior to the transaction.

<u>Existing law</u> requires refunds guaranteed pursuant to <u>existing law</u> to include all fees incurred during the transaction unless the fees have been declared nonrefundable.

<u>Existing law</u> provides for an exception to the provisions of <u>existing law</u> relative to internet resale for university sporting event tickets provided to La. legislators and student tickets for sporting events at La. universities.

New law retains existing law.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that if authorization to resell an admission ticket for an amount higher than the face value is not granted by the organizer and operator pursuant to <u>prior law</u>, a person or entity shall be prohibited from selling a ticket from more than the printed face value.

New law repeals prior law.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 4:1)