RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 326 (HB 266)

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Willard

Existing law creates a commission to advise the governor and the Dept. of Health on matters relating to hepatitis C, HIV, and AIDS; to coordinate on matters relating to hepatitis C, HIV, and AIDS among state agencies, local government, and nongovernmental groups; to research and review state regulations, guidelines, policies, and procedures relative to prevention, treatment, and care of hepatitis C, HIV infection, and AIDS; and to provide a forum for an annual public hearing on matters relating to hepatitis C, HIV, and AIDS as well as a mechanism for other public comments and peer reviews on federal and state-funded programs related to hepatitis C, HIV, and AIDS.

<u>Prior law</u> designated the commission as the La. Commission on HIV, AIDS, and Hepatitis C Education, Prevention, and Treatment.

<u>New law</u> changes the name of the commission to the La. Commission on HIV and Hepatitis C Education, Prevention, and Treatment and removes references to AIDS from the purposes of the commission.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that the chairman of the commission was appointed by the governor. <u>New law</u> provides that the commission shall elect a chairman from among its members.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that the commission would terminate on Sept. 1, 2022. <u>New law</u> repeals <u>prior law</u>.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 36:259(B)(34) and R.S. 40:2018.1(A), (B)(1)(i), (C), and (E); Repeals R.S. 40:2018.1(G))