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DIGEST

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Present law provides that when a person is confined in a treatment facility other than a state psychiatric hospital, the examining coroner in the parish where the patient is confined be entitled to the usual fee paid for this service to the coroner of the parish in which the patient is domiciled or residing.

Present law provides that when a person is confined in a state psychiatric hospital in a parish other than his parish of domicile or residence, the examining coroner be entitled to the fee authorized by law in his parish for the service.

Present law requires fees paid to coroners and accurate records of such payments be kept by the governing authority of the parish in which the patient is domiciled or residing from parish funds designated for the purpose of payment to the coroner. Present law requires each coroner to keep accurate records showing the number of patients confined in his parish pursuant to this present law.

Proposed law requires that if any parish governing authority of a parish with a population between 380,000 and 385,000 based on the latest federal decennial census fails to remit payment for the coroner emergency certificate fees that they are obligated to pay pursuant to present law, the parish governing authority be precluded from seeking approval of any additional debt authority from the State Bond Commission and receiving an appropriation from the capital outlay program, administered by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, until such time as the coroner emergency certificate fees are paid.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 28:53(G)(6))