

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 310

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

COURTS: Provides relative to in filings in civil and criminal courts

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(2) and Code of Criminal  
3 Procedure Article 14.1(B), relative to civil and criminal court filings; to provide that  
4 civil and criminal court filings shall be filed in person in paper form or  
5 electronically; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(2) is hereby amended and  
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 Art. 253. Pleadings, documents, and exhibits to be filed with clerk

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11 B.

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13 (2) On and after January 1, 2026, all filings as provided in Paragraph A of  
14 this Article and all other provisions of this Chapter filed by ~~an attorney~~ any person  
15 shall only be filed in person in paper form or transmitted electronically in accordance  
16 with a system established by a clerk of court or by Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access  
17 Authority. The filer shall be responsible for ensuring that private information is not  
18 included in filings. No filing shall include the first five digits of any social security  
19 number, tax identification numbers, state identification numbers, driver's license  
20 numbers, financial account numbers, full dates of birth, or any information protected  
21 from disclosure by state or federal law. The clerk of court shall adopt a system for

1 the electronic filing and storage of any pleading, document, or exhibit filed with a  
2 pleading. A pleading or document filed electronically is deemed filed on the date  
3 and time stated on the confirmation of electronic filing sent from the system, if the  
4 clerk of court accepts the electronic filing. Public access to electronically filed  
5 pleadings and documents shall be in accordance with the rules governing access to  
6 paper filings.

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8 Section 2. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 14.1(B) is hereby amended and  
9 reenacted to read as follows:

10 Art. 14.1. Electronic filings

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12 B. Beginning January 1, 2026, all filings as provided in this Article and all  
13 other provisions of this Code filed by ~~an attorney~~ any person shall only be filed in  
14 person in paper form or transmitted electronically in accordance with a system  
15 established by a clerk of court or by the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority.  
16 The filer shall be responsible for ensuring that private information is not included in  
17 filings. No filing shall include the first five digits of any social security number, tax  
18 identification numbers, state identification numbers, driver's license numbers,  
19 financial account numbers, full dates of birth, or any information protected from  
20 disclosure by state or federal law. The clerk of court shall adopt a system for the  
21 electronic filing and storage of any pleading, document, or exhibit other than those  
22 documents or exhibits introduced and filed at a hearing or trial. Furthermore, in a  
23 court that accepts electronic filings in accordance with this Paragraph, the official  
24 record shall be the electronic record. A pleading or document filed electronically is  
25 deemed filed on the date and time stated on the confirmation of electronic filing sent  
26 from the system, if the clerk of court accepts the electronic filing. Public access to  
27 electronically filed pleadings and documents shall be in accordance with the rules  
28 governing access to written filings.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides that civil and criminal court filings shall only be filed in person in paper form or electronically with the clerk of court.

Present law provides that all civil and criminal filings made by an attorney shall be filed electronically with the clerk of court.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that all civil and criminal filing made by an attorney shall be filed either in person in paper form or electronically with clerk of court.

(Amends C.C.P. Art. 253(B)(2) and C.Cr.P. Art. 14.1(B))