The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alden A. Clement, Jr.

DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> provides that when property is forfeited under the provisions of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law, the district attorney is to authorize a public sale or an auction conducted by a licensed auctioneer, without appraisal, of whatever forfeited property that is not required by law to be destroyed and that is not harmful to the public.

<u>Proposed law</u> clarifies that any auction of property forfeited under the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law is to be a public auction.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:2616(A)(1))