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DIGEST

<u>Present law</u> requires an individual seeking approval as an authorized agency shall be currently licensed in the state of Louisiana as a private investigator or detective by the Louisiana State Board of Private Investigator Examiners.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides an individual seeking approval as an authorized agency shall submit an application to the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information (Bureau) along with the following documents to prove the individual's qualifications:

- (1) The applicant must be currently licensed in Louisiana as a private investigator or detective by the Louisiana State Board of Private Investigator Examiners as evidenced by current and valid licensure issued by the Louisiana State Board of Private Investigator Examiners, or an individual employed by a business entity registered and in good standing with the secretary of state at the time of application whose primary source of business is background screenings.
- (2) The applicant must not currently be charged by bill of information or under indictment for, or have been convicted of, any felony offense in this state or any other jurisdiction, and submit to a background investigation to determine that this requirement is met.
- (3) The applicant shall present proof of qualification to do business within Louisiana as evidenced by a valid certificate of authority issued by the secretary of state, and designation of an agent for service of process as required by law. If the applicant is operating as a sole proprietorship, a current and valid occupational license shall be presented.
- (4) The applicant shall execute a written agreement whereby he agrees to maintain the confidentiality of any and all information provided to it by the Bureau pursuant to <u>present</u> <u>law</u>, abide by all applicable laws, rules and regulations pertaining to receipt and use of criminal history information, cooperate in any auditing procedure conducted by the Bureau, and inform the Bureau in writing of any known violations regarding the use of criminal history information he receives.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the application to be approved as an authorized agency.

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