
DIGEST

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HB No. 697

Abstract: Provides relative to the in-person periodic renewals of persons who are required to register and who are homeless or do not have a fixed residence address.

Present law provide that any person who is required to register as a sex offender or child predator shall periodically renew their registration as follows:

- (1) Any person convicted of an "aggravated offense" as defined by present law or any person with a prior conviction or adjudication for an offense which requires registration pursuant to present law and who is subsequently convicted of or adjudicated for an offense which requires registration, shall renew and update his registration in person every three months from the date of initial registration.
- (2) Any person convicted of a "sexual offense against a victim who is a minor" as defined by present law shall renew and update his registration in person every six months from the date of initial registration.
- (3) Any other person required to register pursuant to present law shall update his registration in person annually from the date of initial registration.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that if the person is homeless, or is without a fixed residence, he shall appear in person to renew and update his registration with the sheriff of the parish in which he is homeless, or is living without a fixed residence, every ten days from the date on which he initially appeared to register with the sheriff of that parish.

Proposed law further provides that if the offender regularly resides homeless, or without a fixed place of residence, in more than one parish, he shall register with the sheriff of each parish in which he regularly resides and shall renew and update his registration every ten days with each sheriff of those parishes.

Before an offender plans to no longer reside without a fixed residence in a particular parish, proposed law requires him to give notice, in person, to the sheriff of the parish in which he intends to no longer reside.

Proposed law provides that the failure to comply with proposed law shall be a violation of, and shall be subject to the penalties provided in, the present law provision regarding the failure to register and notify as a sex offender or child predator.

Proposed law provides that for purposes of present law provisions regarding in-person periodic renewals, the "parish of residence" for such offenders shall be the parish in which the offender is living homeless or without a fixed residence address.

(Adds R.S. 15:542.1.1(A)(4))