

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE BILL NO. 454

BY SENATOR GARY SMITH

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. Provides with respect to bail procedures and requirements.
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AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 324(A)(3), relative to cash bonds;
to expand authority for cash deposit bail; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 324(A)(3) is hereby amended and
reenacted to read as follows:

Art. 324. Cash deposits

A.(1) * * *
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(3) The court ~~in the parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Charles~~, by
written rule, **with the consent of the District Attorney**, may alter the percentage
amount of bail to be deposited with the officer authorized to accept the bond and
authorize the officer to charge an administrative fee, not to exceed ~~fifteen~~ **twenty-**
five dollars, for processing the bond.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

DIGEST

Gary Smith (SB 454)

Present law authorizes the court in the parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Charles, by written rule, to alter the percentage amount of bail to be deposited with the officer authorized to accept the bond and authorize the officer to charge an administrative fee, not to exceed \$15, for processing the bond.

Proposed law retains present law but expands its applicability to any parish provided the district attorney consents and increases the maximum administrative fee to \$25.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends C.Cr.P. Art. 324(A)(3))