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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Removes the commissioner's authority to waive state application fees for alcoholic beverage permits or provide an equal credit to an applicant's account when permits are not issued within a certain period of time.

Present law provides relative to the submission requirements for state and local alcoholic beverage permits. Requires the commissioner or local authorities to stamp the day, month, and year the alcoholic beverage permit was received. Authorizes the commissioner and officers or employees authorized by the commissioner and local authorities to issue permits immediately after proper investigation but, for a period of 35 days after issuance, the permits shall operate on a probationary basis subject to final action on the permits. Present law provides that, prior to August 1, 2016, the commissioner may waive all state application fees or provide an equal credit to an applicant's account when a permit is not issued within three business days after receipt of a fully and properly completed application.

Proposed law retains present law except it removes the commissioner's authority to waive all state application fees or provide an equal credit to an applicant's account when a permit is not issued within three business days after receipt of a fully and properly completed application.

(Amends R.S. 26:79 and 279)