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Abstract: Provides relative to procedures and amounts furnished as security in judicial review of decisions rendered by the La. State Board of Dentistry.

<u>Present law</u> provides that in an appeal to a civil district court of an administrative decision rendered by the La. State Board of Dentistry, the party seeking judicial review shall furnish security in accordance with the following rules:

- (1) For that portion of a decision issued under <u>present law</u> pertaining to payment of a sum of money, the amount of security shall exceed by one-half the amount of the money portion of the decision.
- (2) In all other respects, the security shall be fixed by the court at an amount sufficient to assure satisfaction of the decision rendered by the board.

<u>Proposed law</u> revises <u>present law</u> to provide that in any such case, the party seeking judicial review shall furnish security in the amount of any fine set forth in the decision being appealed.

<u>Present law</u> provides the following relative to security furnished in cases of judicial review of decisions by the La. State Board of Dentistry:

- (1) Any security furnished in accordance with <u>present law</u> shall be in favor of the board, and shall be furnished as security for the judicial review of the complaining party in civil district court and any judgment by the district court against him shall be paid or satisfied from the proceeds of the sale of his property, or from the security posted under the provisions of <u>present law</u>.
- (2) Mortgages on immovable property are adequate security, but only where the mortgage is applied to unencumbered immovables; and that mortgages in other than a first position are unacceptable as security.

<u>Proposed law</u> revises <u>present law</u> relative to security furnished in cases of judicial review of decisions by the La. State Board of Dentistry to provide the following:

(1) The security shall be in favor of the clerk of the trial court in which the proceeding was brought, and shall be furnished as security for the judicial review of the complaining party in civil district court.

(2) The security shall meet the requirements for bonds in judicial proceedings set forth in <u>present</u> <u>law</u>, C.C.P. Art. 5121 et seq., and shall become available to satisfy any portion of the judgment once the judgment becomes final and has not been satisfied within 30 days of becoming final.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the La. State Board of Dentistry to issue subpoenas to persons who the board has probable cause to believe have engaged in the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene without a currently valid license or permit. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>, and deletes language providing that the board may issue such subpoenas in addition to other civil remedies and criminal penalties provided in <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 37:786(D)(1) and (2) and 788(B)(1))