
DIGEST

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HB 809 Reengrossed

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Schroder

Abstract: Provides legal representation of indigent or absent parents in child abuse and neglect cases.

Present law provides for legal representation of indigent parents with respect to child abuse and neglect cases.

Proposed law retains present law and extends the obligation to also represent absent parents in child abuse and neglect cases, including curatorship appointments.

Present law requires the petitioner to pay the fees and costs of a curator ad hoc.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends Ch.C. Arts. 571, 572(1), 573, and 575 and R.S. 15:185.1, 185.2(2), (6), and (7), 185.3(A), (B)(1), (2), (6)(intro. para.), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), (19)(a) and (c), 185.4(B)(1), (2)(a), (c), (d), and (e), (3)(intro. para.) and (a), (5), (7), (13), (14), and (15), 185.6(C), 185.7(B) and (C), 185.8(intro. para.), and 185.9(A)(1) and (B)(2); Repeals Ch.C. Art. 1023(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Removes obsolete language referencing an incremental implementation period which ended on July 1, 2012.
2. Makes technical changes.