

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 143

BY SENATOR BARROW

COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS. Provides relative to money transmission and customer safety. (8/1/16)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 45:1163.4, relative to payment of a utility bill at a business location; to  
3 provide relative to safety measures by requirement that such payment be made inside  
4 the location; to provide certain terms, conditions, procedures, and exceptions; and  
5 to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 45:1163.4 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 **§1163.4. Payment of utility bills at business location**

9 **For purposes of customer safety and security, the payment of a utility**  
10 **bill in person at a business location and the acceptance of such payment shall**  
11 **be conducted only inside the business location. The provisions of this Section**  
12 **shall not apply to the payment of a utility bill made by a person from a vehicle**  
13 **via drive-through window, or to payment of a utility bill made by mail or**  
14 **electronic transmission.**

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The original instrument was prepared by Michelle D. Ridge. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Linda Nugent.

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## DIGEST

SB 143 Reengrossed

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Proposed law requires that the payment of a utility bill in person at a business location and the acceptance of the payment be conducted only inside the business location. Excepts from proposed law the payment of a utility bill made by a person from a vehicle via a drive-through window or payment made by mail or electronic transmission.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 45:1163.4)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Requires that the payment of a utility bill in person at a business location and the acceptance of the payment be conducted only inside the business location.