
DIGEST

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HB No. 167

Abstract: Requires the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice to administer the Innocence Compensation Fund, and provides for annual reporting.

Present law provides for compensation for wrongfully convicted persons.

Proposed law provides that the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice shall manage the Innocence Compensation Fund.

Proposed law provides that the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice shall prepare a report annually for the prior calendar year and submit it to the governor and legislature, on or before the first day of April, commencing in 2013, including the number of awards and the total amount of funds distributed pursuant to present law.

Proposed law authorizes the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice to adopt rules to administer proposed law.

(Amends R.S. 15:572.8(N)(1); Adds R.S. 15:572.8(R) and (S))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill.

1. Removed the proposed law increase in maximum compensation.
2. Added provisions requiring the fund to be managed by the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice.
3. Added provisions requiring the commission to submit an annual report on the total number of awards and compensation distributed to the governor and legislature.