## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

## **ACT 214 (HB 322)**

## 2019 Regular Session

**Turner** 

Relative to the state fire marshal, <u>existing law</u> defines fire prevention bureaus to include any agency with locally governed jurisdiction which inspects structures, watercraft, and movables for compliance with the National Fire Protection Association's Life Safety Code and the Southern Standard Building Code.

<u>Existing law</u> further defines fire prevention bureaus as agencies tasked with investigating fires to determine the cause, origin, and circumstance, and whether any fire had suspicious origins.

New law retains existing law and further provides that fire prevention bureaus also inspect pursuant to new law (R.S. 40:1574(K)), which allows the fire marshal to take into consideration any practical difficulties or economic hardship to allow alternative arrangements to achieve a minimum acceptable level of life safety.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 40:1563(D))