

**ACT No. 409**

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 244

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Code of Evidence Article 902(11), relative to the admissibility of business records  
3 in criminal cases; to provide relative to the self-authentication of business records;  
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Code of Evidence Article 902(11) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 Art. 902. Self-authentication

8 Extrinsic evidence of authenticity as a condition precedent to admissibility  
9 is not required with respect to the following:

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11 (11) Certified records of a regularly conducted business activity in criminal  
12 cases. In criminal cases, the original or a copy of a record of a regularly conducted  
13 business activity that meets the requirements of Article 803(6), as shown by a  
14 certification of the custodian or another qualified person, and that complies with  
15 Louisiana law, including R.S. 13:3733 through 3733.2, or a rule prescribed by the

1            Louisiana Supreme Court. Before the trial or hearing, the proponent shall give an  
2            adverse party reasonable written notice of the intent to offer the record and shall  
3            make the record and certification available for inspection so that the party has a fair  
              opportunity to challenge it.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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