

SENATE BILL NO. 319

BY SENATOR MARTINY

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 344(C), relative to the right to notice of certain required appearances; to provide with respect to the right to notice of time and place of a defendant's required appearance to the personal surety or the commercial surety; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 344(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Art. 344. Right to notice of time and place of defendant's required appearance

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C. If the defendant appears as ordered and the proceeding is continued to a specific date, the defendant and the personal surety or the commercial surety or the agent or bondsman who posted the bond for the commercial surety **and who has been given initial notice pursuant to Paragraph A or B of this Article,** need not be given notice of the new appearance date. If the defendant fails to appear as ordered, or the proceeding is not continued to a specific date, the defendant or his duly appointed agent, the personal surety or the agent or bondsman who posted the bond for the commercial surety shall be given notice of the new appearance date.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____