



second emergency certificate and shall conduct an independent examination within 72 hours as provided in present law.

Present law provides that nothing in present law shall be construed to authorize a period of commitment to exceed 15 days from the date and time the initial emergency certificate was executed in the parish of origin.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that the provisions of present law also apply to the parishes of East Baton Rouge, Jefferson, Orleans and Ouachita.

Present law provides that when a patient is transferred from another parish pursuant to an emergency certificate, a second physician's emergency certificate may be executed by a physician at the admitting facility.

Proposed law provides that when a patient is transferred from another parish pursuant to an emergency certificate, a second physician's emergency certificate shall be executed by a physician at the admitting facility.

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(Amends R.S. 28:53(G)(7)(intro para) and (7)(c)(i))