SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 393 2022 Regular Session White

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

WEAPONS. Designates the crime of possession of a firearm by a felon as a crime of violence. (gov sig)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Specify that the possession of a firearm or carrying of a concealed weapon by a person convicted of certain felonies is an enumerated crime of violence.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Present law (R.S. 14:95.1) provides relative to the crime of possession of a firearm or carrying a concealed weapon by a person convicted of certain felonies. Present law further provides that it is unlawful for any person who has been convicted of a "crime of violence", as defined in present law, when that crime is a felony, to possess a firearm or carry a concealed weapon.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that if a violation of present law is committed during the commission of a crime of violence and the defendant has a prior conviction of a crime of violence, then the violation of present law shall be designated as a crime of violence.

Present law (R.S. 14:2(B)) provides that a "crime of violence" is an offense that has, as an element, the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the person or property of another, and that, by its very nature, involves a substantial risk that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the course of committing the offense, or an offense that involves the possession or use of a dangerous weapon. Present law further designates certain present law offenses and attempts to commit any of those offenses as "crimes of violence".

Proposed law retains present law and adds the present law crime of possession of a firearm or carrying a concealed weapon by a person convicted of certain felonies in violation of proposed law to the list of crimes of violence.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 14:95.1(D); Adds R.S. 14:2(B)(29) and 95.1(E))

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