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SENATE BILL NO. 201

BY SENATOR MILKOVICH

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. Permits introduction of evidence at a criminal trial that another person committed the crime of which the defendant stands accused. (8/1/18)

AN ACT

2	To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 774.1, relative to criminal trial procedure; to
3	provide that the defendant's right to present a defense at trial includes the right to
4	offer evidence that a person other than the defendant committed the crime of which
5	the defendant stands accused; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 774.1 is hereby enacted to read as
8	follows:
9	Art. 774.1. Right to present a defense; evidence that crime committed by
10	another
11	In all cases the defendant's right to present a defense shall include the
12	right to offer evidence that a person other than the defendant committed the
13	crime of which the defendant stands accused.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alden A. Clement Jr.

DIGEST

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that at the trial of any criminal case, the defendant's right to present a defense includes the right to offer evidence that a person other than the defendant committed the crime of which the defendant stands accused.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 774.1)