

SENATE BILL NO. 563 (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 84 by Senator Walsworth)

BY SENATORS WALSWORTH AND THOMPSON

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:93(D), relative to criminal justice; to provide relative to the  
3 penalty for cruelty to a juvenile; to provide for the age of victims; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:93(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §93. Cruelty to juveniles

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9 D.(1) Whoever commits the crime of cruelty to juveniles shall be fined not  
10 more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned with or without hard labor for not  
11 more than ten years, or both.

12 **(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection,**  
13 **whoever commits the crime of cruelty to juveniles as defined in Paragraph**  
14 **(A)(1) of this Section when the victim is eight years old or younger shall be**  
15 **imprisoned at hard labor for not more than twenty years.**

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_