RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 174 (HB 150)

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Bacala

Existing law provides for the crime of battery of a police officer and defines the offense as a battery committed without the consent of the victim when the offender has reasonable grounds to believe the victim is a police officer acting in the performance of his duty.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that, for purposes of the <u>existing law</u> crime, "battery of a police officer" includes the use of force or violence upon the person of the police officer by throwing feces, urine, blood, saliva, or any form of human waste by an offender while the offender is incarcerated by a court of law and is being detained in any jail, prison, correctional facility, juvenile institution, temporary holding center, halfway house, or detention facility.

<u>New law</u> retains the <u>prior law</u> definition and expands the definition to include the throwing of water or other liquids and removes the requirement that the offender be incarcerated or detained at the time of the throwing for the offense to apply.

Effective Aug. 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 14:34.2(A)(3))