

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 184

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

CRIME/PUNISHMENT. Increases the maximum time of incarceration for aggravated flight from an officer. (8/1/24)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:108.1(E), relative to offenses affecting law enforcement; to  
3 provide relative to the crime of aggravated flight from an officer; to increase the  
4 penalties for aggravated flight from an officer; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:108.1(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §108.1. Flight from an officer; aggravated flight from an officer

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9 E.(1) ~~Whoever~~ **Except as provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection,**  
10 **whoever** commits aggravated flight from an officer shall be imprisoned at hard labor  
11 for not more than ~~five~~ **ten** years and may be fined not more than two thousand  
12 dollars.

13 (2)(a) Whoever commits the crime of aggravated flight from an officer that  
14 results in serious bodily injury shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not more than  
15 ~~ten~~ **fifteen** years and may be fined not more than two thousand dollars.

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

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## DIGEST

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Present law defines aggravated flight from an officer as the intentional refusal of a driver to bring a vehicle to a stop or of an operator to bring a watercraft to a stop, under circumstances wherein human life is endangered, knowing that he has been given a visual and audible signal to stop by a police officer when the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the driver or operator has committed an offense.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that aggravated flight from an officer is punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for up to five years and in addition a possible fine of up to \$2,000.

Proposed law increases the maximum period of imprisonment from five years to ten years and otherwise retains present law.

Present law provides that aggravated flight from an officer when the offense results in serious bodily injury is punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for up to ten years and in addition a possible fine of up to \$2,000.

Proposed law increases the maximum period of imprisonment when serious bodily injury occurs from ten years to 15 years and otherwise retains present law.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 14:108.1(E))