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Abstract: Creates the crime of selling consumable hemp products to a person under the age of 21, the crime of purchasing or possessing of consumable hemp products by a person under the age of 21, and the crime of producing consumable hemp products without a permit.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the crime of selling, distributing, dispensing, or otherwise delivering consumable hemp products to a person under the age of 21. <u>Proposed law</u> sets the penalty for violations at not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,000, or not less than 30 days nor more than 6 months imprisonment, or both.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the crime of purchase or public possession of consumable hemp products by a person under 21 years of age. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that the penalty for violations shall be a citation and a \$100 fine. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that the citation shall not be included on the person's criminal history record.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law does not apply to consumable hemp products.

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies which products are not affected by the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that transporting federally compliant hemp products within the state shall not be prohibited.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the crime of producing, manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, or possessing with intent to produce, manufacture, distribute, or dispense consumable hemp products to anyone when not in accordance with regulations of <u>present law</u>. <u>Proposed law</u> sets the penalty for violations at not more than \$50,000, or one year to 10 years imprisonment with or without hard labor, or both.

(Amends R.S. 40:961.1 and 966(A)(3); Adds R.S. 14:93.16 and 93.17 and R.S. 40:966(A)(4) and (B)(4))