## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

## HB 14 2025 Regular Session

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CRIME/HOMICIDE: Provides relative to homicide when the victim is a person with infirmities

## Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Adds cruelty to the elderly as a predicate felony for first and second degree murder.
- 2. Makes technical changes.

## **Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Present law provides for the crime of cruelty to persons with infirmities.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the elderly to the provisions of <u>present law</u> to create the crime of cruelty to the elderly and persons with infirmities.

<u>Present law</u> provides that first degree murder is when an offender has specific intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm and is engaged in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of certain crimes.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds "cruelty to the elderly and persons with infirmities" to that list of crimes and otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> provides that second degree murder is the killing of a human being when the offender is engaged in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of certain crimes, even when the offender has no intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds "intentional cruelty to the elderly and persons with infirmities" to the list of crimes and otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 14:30(A)(1) and 30.1(A)(2))