

First Extraordinary Session, 2005

SENATE BILL NO. 68

BY SENATORS CHAISSON AND AMEDEE

CRIME/PUNISHMENT. Provides for the crime of conducting business without a proper license or permit. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 29:732.1, relative to the crime of conducting business without required
3 licenses and permits; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; and to
4 provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 29:732.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§732.1. Conducting business without proper licenses and permits**

8 **A. During a state of emergency as declared by the governor pursuant to**
9 **this Chapter, no person shall intentionally offer goods or services for sale or**
10 **lease to the public unless he possesses the licenses and permits as may be**
11 **required by law. This Subsection shall not apply to religious, charitable,**
12 **fraternal, civic educational, or social organizations.**

13 **B. Any person who violates the provisions of this Section shall be**
14 **punishable by a fine of five hundred dollars or be imprisoned for not more than**
15 **six months, or both.**

16 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
17 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature

1 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
2 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
3 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tracy Sabina Sudduth.

DIGEST

Proposed law creates the crime of conducting business without required licenses and permits.

Proposed law provides that during a state of emergency declared by the governor, no person shall intentionally offer goods or services for sale or lease to the public unless that person possesses the licenses and permits required by present law.

Proposed law does not apply to religious, charitable, fraternal, civic educational, or social organizations.

Proposed law provides for penalties of a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 29:732.1)