
DIGEST

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St. Germain

HB No. 262

Abstract: Adds the crimes of failure to register as a convicted arsonist and violations of a fire marshal's orders to the list of offenses for which a fire marshal may conduct investigations and make arrests.

Present law provides for specific offenses for which a fire marshal, the first assistant fire marshal, each deputy fire marshal, certified local authorities, and state or municipal arson investigators, while engaged in the performance of their duties as such, are authorized to investigate and make arrests.

Present law provides for the crime of failure to register as a convicted arsonist and violations of a fire marshal's orders.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the crimes of failure to register as a convicted arsonist and violations of a fire marshal's orders related to activities determined to pose an immediate danger to life to the list of offenses for which a fire marshal, the first assistant fire marshal, each deputy fire marshal, certified local authorities, and state or municipal arson investigators, while engaged in the performance of their duties as such, are authorized to conduct investigations and make arrests.

(Amends R.S. 40:1563.1(A)(17); Adds R.S. 40:1563.1(A)(18) and (19))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Specified that the violation of fire marshal's orders is limited to those fire marshal orders related to activities or instances determined by the fire marshal to pose an immediate danger to life.