

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

**SB 70 By Senator Kostelka**

**KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

CRIME/PUNISHMENT. Provides for the crime of domestic abuse battery. (gov sig)

**SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL**

1. Adds a definition of "burning".

**DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

Present law provides relative to the crime of domestic abuse battery and provides definitions relative to that crime.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that if the domestic abuse battery is committed by burning of the victim that results in serious bodily injury, the offense shall be classified as a crime of violence under present law and the offender shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not less than five nor more than 50 years without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence.

Proposed law defines "serious bodily injury" as bodily injury that involves unconsciousness, extreme physical pain, or protracted and obvious disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty, or a substantial risk of death.

Proposed law defines "burning" as an injury to flesh or skin caused by heat, electricity, friction, radiation, or any other chemical or thermal reaction.

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

(Amends R.S. 14:35.3 (B); adds R.S. 14:35.3(M))

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