## SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2018 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to Original Senate Bill No. 147 by Senator Morrell

I AMENDMENT NO.	1
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- 2 On page 1, line 3, after "R.S. 13:3381" delete "and 3382" and insert "through 3384"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 2
- 4 On page 1, line 5, after "damages;" insert "to provide for presumptions;"
- 5 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 6 On page 1, line 9, after "R.S. 13:3381" delete "and 3382" and insert "through 3384"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- 8 On page 2, delete lines 13 and 14, and insert the following:
- 9 "frivolous, the court shall order the plaintiff to pay all court costs and reasonable
- 10 attorney fees and the defendant shall be entitled to exemplary damages."
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- 12 On page 3, after line 1, insert the following:
- 13 **"§3383. Costs**
- A defendant shall not be required to prepay costs to file an answer to a claim for defamation of character, libel, slander, or damage to reputation
- referenced in R.S. 13:3381.
- 17 **§3384. Presumption; limitations**
- 18 <u>If the plaintiff in a claim for defamation of character, libel, slander, or</u>
- damage to reputation referenced in R.S. 13:3381 is a person against whom a bill
- 20 <u>of information or indictment has been made for the pertinent sexual</u>
- 21 <u>misconduct, there shall be a presumption that no defamation of character, libel,</u>
- 22 slander, or damage to reputation occurred."