

SENATE BILL NO. 18

BY SENATOR CORTEZ

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:63.3(A) and 63.4(A), and to enact R.S. 14:63(J), relative to
3 criminal trespass; to provide for the use of purple paint in lieu of signs to indicate
4 that unauthorized entrance on property is prohibited; to provide definitions; and to
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 14:63.3(A) and 63.4(A) are hereby amended and reenacted, and R.S.
8 14:63(J) is hereby enacted, to read as follows:

9 §63. Criminal trespass

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11 **J. Although not required by this Section, notice that entrance upon any**
12 **structure, watercraft, movable, or immovable property owned by another is**
13 **prohibited may be indicated by either of the following:**

14 **(1) A sign or signs posted on or in the property at a place or places where**
15 **such sign or signs may be reasonably expected to be seen.**

16 **(2) The placement of identifying purple paint marks on the trees or posts**
17 **on the property, provided that such marks are:**

18 **(a) Vertical lines of not less than eight inches in length and not less than**
19 **one inch in width.**

20 **(b) Placed so that the bottom of the mark is not less than three feet from**
21 **the ground nor more than five feet from the ground.**

22 **(c) Placed at locations that are readily visible to any person approaching**
23 **the property and no more than one hundred feet apart on forest land, as defined**
24 **in R.S. 3:3622, or one thousand feet apart on land other than forest land.**

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26 §63.3. Entry on or remaining in places or on land after being forbidden

27 A.**(1)** No person shall without authority go into or upon or remain in or upon

1 or attempt to go into or upon or remain in or upon any structure, watercraft, or any
 2 other movable, or immovable property, which belongs to another, including public
 3 buildings and structures, ferries, and bridges, or any part, portion, or area thereof,
 4 after having been forbidden to do so, either orally or in writing, including by means
 5 of any sign hereinafter described, by any owner, lessee, or custodian of the property
 6 or by any other authorized person.

7 (2) For the purposes of this Section the above mentioned, Paragraph (1) of
 8 this Subsection, "sign" means a either:

9 (a) A sign or signs posted on or in the structure, watercraft, or any other
 10 movable, or immovable property, including public buildings and structures, ferries
 11 and bridges, or part, portion or area thereof, at a place or places where such sign or
 12 signs may be reasonably expected to be seen.

13 (b) The placement of identifying purple paint marks on the trees or posts
 14 on the property, provided that such marks are:

15 (i) Vertical lines of not less than eight inches in length and not less than
 16 one inch in width.

17 (ii) Placed so that the bottom of the mark is not less than three feet from
 18 the ground nor more than five feet from the ground.

19 (iii) Placed at locations that are readily visible to any person approaching
 20 the property and no more than one hundred feet apart on forest land, as defined
 21 in R.S. 3:3622, or one thousand feet apart on land other than forest land.

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23 §63.4. Aiding and abetting others to enter or remain on premises where forbidden

24 A.(1) No person shall incite, solicit, urge, encourage, exhort, instigate, or
 25 procure any other person to go into or upon or to remain in or upon any structure,
 26 watercraft, or any other movable, which belongs to another, including public
 27 buildings and structures, ferries, and bridges, or any part, portion, or area thereof,
 28 knowing that such other person has been forbidden to go or remain there, either
 29 orally or in writing, including by means of any sign hereinafter described, by the
 30 owner, lessee, or custodian of the property or by any other authorized person.

