

**ACT No. 540**

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 138

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAVARD

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:825.2(A), relative to the appointment of special agents; to provide relative to the authority of the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to appoint special agents; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 15:825.2(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§825.2. Special agents; appointment; carrying weapons

A. The secretary of the ~~Louisiana~~ Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall be authorized at his discretion to appoint special agents. These agents shall be appointed from ~~permanent status employees or full-time employees~~ who have attained the rank of sergeant or Probation and Parole Officer 1, and may carry weapons exposed or concealed while in the performance of their duties in the same manner as law enforcement officers.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_