

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law provided that video voyeurism is the crime of using a camera, videotape, photo-optical, photo-electric, unmanned aircraft system, or other image recording device to observe or photograph a person without their consent and with a lewd or lascivious purpose. Provides enhanced penalties when the observation or photography involves certain sexual acts or body parts.

New law modifies the elements of the offense to provide that video voyeurism is the crime of using a camera, videotape, photo-optical, photo-electric, or other image recording device, or the use of an unmanned aircraft system equipped with a camera, videotape, photo-optical, photo-electric, or other image recording device, to observe or photograph a person without their consent and with a lewd or lascivious purpose.

New law adds to the crime of video voyeurism the observation or photography of certain sexual acts or body parts, without a lewd or lascivious intent, which occurs in a place where the subject of the image has a reasonable expectation of privacy.

New law provides an exception for any bona fide news or public interest broadcast, website, video, report, or event, and further provides that existing and new law shall not affect the rights of any news-gathering organization.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 14:283(A)(1); Adds R.S. 14:283(H))