

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 359

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIKE JOHNSON AND ABRAMSON

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:62.5(A), relative to the crime of looting; to provide for the  
3 crime of looting; to provide relative to the elements of the offense; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:62.5(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §62.5. Looting

8 A. Looting is the intentional entry by a person without authorization of any  
9 of the following when into any dwelling or other structure belonging to another and  
10 used in whole or in part as a home or place of abode by a person, or any structure  
11 belonging to another and used in whole or in part as a place of business, or any  
12 vehicle, watercraft, building, plant, establishment, or other structure, movable or  
13 immovable, in which normal security of property is not present by virtue of a  
14 hurricane, flood, fire, act of God, or force majeure of any kind, or by virtue of a riot,  
15 mob, or other human agency, and the person obtaining or obtains, exerting exerts  
16 control over, or damaging damages, or removing removes the property of the owner  
17 another without authorization:

18 (1) Any dwelling or other structure belonging to another and used in whole  
19 or in part as a home or place of abode by a person.

20 (2) Any structure belonging to another and used in whole or in part as a place  
21 of business.

22 (3) Any vehicle, watercraft, building, plant, establishment, or other structure,  
23 movable or immovable.

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1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2019.

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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: \_\_\_\_\_