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HOUSE BILL NO. 583

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CRIME: Adds the crime of false imprisonment while armed with a dangerous weapon to the list of crimes of violence

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:2(B)(25), relative to crimes of violence; to add false imprisonment while armed with a dangerous weapon to the list of crimes of violence; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:2(B)(25) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2. Definitions

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B. In this Code, "crime of violence" means an offense that has, as an element, the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the person or property of another, and that, by its very nature, involves a substantial risk that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the course of committing the offense or an offense that involves the possession or use of a dangerous weapon. The following enumerated offenses and attempts to commit any of them are included as "crimes of violence":

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(25) False imprisonment; offender armed with dangerous weapon.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Adds false imprisonment while armed with a dangerous weapon to the list of crimes of violence.

Present law provides for a definition of "crime of violence" which means an offense that has, as an element, the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the person or property of another, and that, by its very nature, involves a substantial risk that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the course of committing the offense or an offense that involves the possession or use of a dangerous weapon.

Present law further provides for a list of certain enumerated present law offenses that are included as crimes of violence.

Proposed law adds the present law (R.S. 14:46.1) crime of false imprisonment while armed with a dangerous weapon to the list of enumerated crimes of violence.

(Adds R.S. 14:2(B)(25))