## **RÉSUMÉ DIGEST**

## ACT 265 (HB 265)

## **2021 Regular Session**

**Brass** 

Existing law provides for the definition of "targeted facility".

New law adds critical infrastructure, grain elevator, and grain storage facilities to existing law.

Existing law (R.S. 14:337(A)(1)) prohibits the use of an unmanned aircraft system to conduct surveillance of, gather evidence or collect information about, or photographically or electronically record a targeted facility without the prior written consent of the owner of the targeted facility.

<u>Existing law</u> provides that the penalty for a first conviction of unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system is a fine of up to \$500, imprisonment for up to six months, or both.

Existing law provides that the penalty for a second or subsequent conviction of an unmanned aircraft system is a fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$2,000, imprisonment with or without hard labor for not less than six months nor more than one year, or both.

<u>New law</u> increases the penalty for second and subsequent convictions to a fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$4,000, imprisonment with or without hard labor for not less than six months and not more than two years, or both.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 14, 2021).

(Amends R.S. 14:337(E)(2); Adds R.S. 14:337(B)(3)(e) and (f))