
DIGEST

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Abstract: Changes the definition of child from a person under the age of 17 to a person under the age of 18 in certain contexts.

Present law (Ch.C. Art. 324 and R.S. 15:440.2) authorizes certain courts to require that a statement of a protected person be recorded on videotape.

Present law (Ch.C. Art. 323(2)(a) and R.S. 15:440.2(C)(1)) defines "protected person" as any person who is a victim of a crime or a witness in a juvenile or criminal proceeding and who is under the age of 17.

Proposed law increases the age of a protected person to 18 years of age.

Present law (Ch.C. Art. 1101, et seq.) provides for the surrender of parental rights. Further defines "child" as a person under 17 years of age and not emancipated by marriage.

Proposed law (Ch.C. Art. 1103(3)) defines "child" as a person under 18 years of age and not emancipated by marriage.

Present law (C.Cr.P. Art. 571.1) provides that prosecution of crime against nature by solicitation that involves a victim under 17 years of age shall be instituted within 30 years.

Proposed law increases the age of the victim to a person under 18 years of age.

(Amends Ch.C. Arts. 323(2)(a), 324(B), and 1103(3), C.Cr.P. Art. 571.1, and R.S. 15:440.2(C)(1))