The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Whitney Kauffeld.

DIGEST

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<u>Present law</u> defines simple assault as an assault committed without a dangerous weapon. <u>Present law</u> further provides that whoever commits the simple assault is to be fined not more than \$200, or imprisoned for not more than 90 days, or both.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that when the <u>present law</u> crime is committed upon a store's or merchant's employee who is acting in the course and scope of his employment duties while the offender or principal of the offense is engaged in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of theft of goods, the offender or principal of the offense is to be fined not more than \$500 and imprisoned for not less than 15 days nor more than six months without the benefit of suspension of sentence.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 14:38(B); enacts R.S. 14:38(C))