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HOUSE BILL NO. 371

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BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAHEN

CRIME: Amends the definition of "police officer" for the crimes of battery of a police officer and resisting a police officer with force or violence

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:34.2(A)(2) and 108.2(B), relative to offenses against law 3 enforcement; to provide relative to the definition "police officer" for the crimes of 4 battery of a police officer and resisting a police officer with force or violence; to add 5 juvenile detention facility officers to the definitions of "police officer"; and to 6 provide for related matters. 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 8 Section 1. R.S. 14:34.2(A)(2) and 108.2(B) are hereby amended and reenacted to 9 read as follows: 10 §34.2. Battery of a police officer 11 A. 12 13 (2) For purposes of this Section, "police officer" shall include commissioned 14 police officers, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, marshals, deputy marshals, correctional officers, juvenile detention facility officers, federal law enforcement officers, 15 16 constables, wildlife enforcement agents, state park wardens, and probation and 17 parole officers. 18 19 §108.2. Resisting a police officer with force or violence 20

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B. For purposes of this Section, "police officer" shall include any commissioned police officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, correctional officer, juvenile detention facility officer, constable, wildlife enforcement agent, state park warden, or probation and parole officer.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Amends the definition of "police officer" for the crimes of battery of a police officer and resisting a police officer with force or violence to include juvenile detention facility officers.

Present law provides for the crime of battery of a police officer.

<u>Present law</u> defines "police officer" to include commissioned police officers, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, marshals, deputy marshals, correctional officers, federal law enforcement officers, constables, wildlife enforcement agents, state park wardens, and probation and parole officers.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds juvenile detention facility officers to the <u>present law</u> definition of "police officer".

<u>Present law</u> provides for the crime of resisting a police officer with force or violence.

<u>Present law</u> defines "police officer" to include any commissioned police officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, correctional officer, constable, wildlife enforcement agent, state park warden, or probation and parole officer.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds juvenile detention facility officer to the <u>present law</u> definition of "police officer".

(Amends R.S. 14:34.2(A)(2) and 108.2(B))