## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Adds minor children of the offender to the list of specific victims of the crime of first degree murder.

<u>Present law</u> defines first degree murder as the killing of a human being when certain circumstances exist or when the specific intent to kill or to inflict great bodily harm is directly related to the victim's status.

<u>Present law</u> provides that persons convicted of first degree murder shall be punished by death or life imprisonment at hard labor without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds minor children of the offender to the list of specific victims of the crime of first degree murder.

(Adds R.S. 14:30(A)(13))