

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 627

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT

CRIME: Provides relative to the penalties for the crime of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:68.4(C), relative to the crime of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; to  
3 provide relative to criminal penalties; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 14:68.4(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 §68.4. Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

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8 C. When the misappropriation or taking amounts to less than a value of one  
9 thousand dollars, the offender shall be imprisoned for not more than six months, or  
10 fined not more than one thousand dollars, or both.

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DIGEST

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HB 627 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Provides additional penalties for the crime of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Present law provides that unauthorized use of a motor vehicle is the intentional taking or use of a motor vehicle which belongs to another without the intent to permanently deprive the other of the motor vehicle permanently.

Present law provides that an offender shall be fined not more than \$5,000, imprisoned with or without hard labor for not more than two years, or both.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that when the misappropriation or taking amounts to less than a value of \$1,000, the offender shall be imprisoned for not more than six months, or fined not more than \$1,000, or both.

(Adds R.S. 14:68.4(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Change the penalties for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Remove proposed penalties for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
2. Provide separate penalties when the misappropriation or taking amounts to less than a value of \$1,000.