

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 491

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA AND GAROFALO

CRIME: Provides relative to simple robbery

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:65(A), relative to simple robbery; to amend the definition of
3 simple robbery; to provide relative to when a person is part of a group of individuals
4 and the person has the intent to take anything of value from a retail establishment;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 14:65(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §65. Simple robbery

9 A. Simple robbery is either of the following:

10 (a) ~~the~~ The taking of anything of value belonging to another from the person
11 of another or that is in the immediate control of another, by use of force or
12 intimidation, but not armed with a dangerous weapon.

13 (b) The taking of anything of value when a person is part of a group of three
14 or more individuals and the person has the intent to take anything of value from a
15 retail establishment that is in the immediate control of a retail employee or employer
16 and there is a reasonable belief that a reasonable person would not intercede because
17 of fear.

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DIGEST

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HB 491 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Amends the definition of simple robbery.

Present law provides for the crime of simple robbery and defines the crime as the taking of anything of value belonging to another from the person of another or that is in the immediate control of another, by use of force or intimidation, but not armed with a dangerous weapon.

Proposed law amends the present law definition of simple robbery to provide that simple robbery is either of the following:

- (1) The taking of anything of value belonging to another from the person of another or that is in the immediate control of another, by use of force or intimidation, but not armed with a dangerous weapon.
- (2) The taking of anything of value when a person is part of a group of three or more individuals and the person has the intent to take anything of value from a retail establishment that is in the immediate control of a retail employee or employer and there is reasonable belief that a reasonable person would not intercede because of fear.

(Amends R.S. 14:65(A))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Restructure the present law definition of simple robbery.
2. Provide that simple robbery also applies to the taking of anything of value when a person is part of a group of three or more individuals and the person has the intent to take anything of value from a retail establishment that is in the immediate control of a retail employee or employer and there is reasonable belief that a reasonable person would not intercede because of fear.