

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 568

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONDS AND VILLIO

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:67.5(A)(3) and (C), relative to misappropriation without violence; to  
3 provide relative to adoption deception; to provide relative to elements of the offense;  
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:67.5(A)(3) and (C) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §67.5. Adoption deception

8 A. Any person who is a birth mother, or who holds herself out to be a birth  
9 mother, who is interested in making an adoption plan and who knowingly or  
10 intentionally benefits from payment of adoption-related expenses in connection with  
11 that adoption plan commits adoption deception if any of the following occur:

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13 (3) The person has the specific intent to make false representations to induce  
14 the payment of living expenses or other benefits in connection with a purported  
15 adoption placement.

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17 C. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to a person who agrees to  
18 an adoption plan agreement and subsequently, in good faith, declines to proceed with  
19 the prospective adoption in favor of parenting the child.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_