



Proposed law provides that second degree murder committed when the offender unlawfully distributes or dispenses a controlled dangerous substance, except fentanyl or carfentanil, to another who subsequently distributes or dispenses the controlled dangerous substance which is the direct cause of the death of the recipient, will be punished by life imprisonment at hard labor, with a minimum of 25 years served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, allowing for the balance to be served with benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law, including the present law penalty of life imprisonment without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence for second degree murder committed when the offender distributes or dispenses fentanyl or carfentanil which is the direct cause of the death of the recipient, or when the offender unlawfully distributes or dispenses fentanyl or carfentanil, to another who subsequently distributes or dispenses the controlled dangerous substance which is the direct cause of the death of recipient.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to compile and make available a list of inmates in the custody of the department for a conviction of second degree murder. Proposed law further provides that the list must include the date of imprisonment, the Dept. of Corrections identification number, and the parish where the offender was convicted.

Proposed law relative to second degree murder is given prospective application only.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 14:30.1; adds R.S. 15:827.2(E))