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HOUSE BILL NO. 556

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CORRECTIONS: Provides relative to electronic monitoring

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:571.36(8) through (10), relative to electronic monitoring equipment; to
3 require the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to develop additional
4 policies and procedures relative to electronic monitoring equipment; to provide for
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:571.36(8) through (10) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §571.36. Electronic monitoring equipment

9 The Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall develop written
10 policies and procedures governing the availability, storage, and use of electronic
11 monitoring equipment, which shall include all of the following:

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13 (8) Location accuracy of a monitored individual for all of the following:

14 (a) The indoor location of a monitored individual.

15 (b) The outdoor location of a monitored individual.

16 (c) On-demand location, which is the most recent location of a monitored
17 individual, and the ability to provide this location accuracy within three minutes of
18 a request.

- 1 (9) Development of zoning capabilities for both of the following:
- 2 (a) Inclusion zones, which are geographic areas where a monitored
- 3 individual is scheduled to be.
- 4 (b) Exclusion zones, which are geographic areas where a monitored
- 5 individual is not permitted to visit.
- 6 (10) Alert notifications from the office of technology services for all of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (a) The tampering of the electronic monitoring equipment and the ability to
- 9 provide an alert of this violation within three minutes of the violation.
- 10 (b) The presence of the electronic monitoring equipment in an exclusion
- 11 zone and the ability to provide an alert of this violation within four minutes of the
- 12 violation.
- 13 (c) Low battery alert prior to the complete discharge of the battery within the
- 14 electronic monitoring equipment.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to policies and procedures of DPS&C for electronic monitoring equipment.

Present law requires DPS&C to develop written policies and procedures governing the availability, storage, and use of electronic monitoring equipment.

Present law requires these policies and procedures to include the following criteria:

- (1) Secure storage.
- (2) Timely visual inspection of equipment worn by the monitored individual.
- (3) A master listing and inventory.
- (4) Availability of at least one complete backup unit for a number of specified units.
- (5) Responses to system malfunctions.
- (6) Restricted password access to authorized staff.
- (7) Maintenance and cleaning of equipment.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the following criteria:

- (1) Location accuracy for the indoor, outdoor, and on-demand location of a monitored individual. Also provides for the ability to provide a monitored offender's location accuracy within three minutes of a request.
- (2) Development of zoning capabilities for inclusion and exclusion zones.
- (3) Timely alert notifications from the office of technology services for all of the following:
 - (a) The tampering of the electronic monitoring equipment and the ability to provide an alert of this violation within three minutes of the violation.
 - (b) The presence of the electronic monitoring equipment in an exclusion zone and the ability to provide an alert of this violation within four minutes of the violation.
 - (c) Low battery alert prior to the complete discharge of the battery within the electronic monitoring equipment.

(Adds R.S. 15:571.36(8)-(10))