AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:109, relative to offenses affecting law enforcement; to create the crime of approaching a law enforcement officer lawfully engaged in law enforcement duties; to provide for a definition; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:109 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§109. Approaching a law enforcement officer lawfully engaged in law enforcement duties

A. No person shall knowingly or intentionally approach within twenty-five feet of a law enforcement officer who is lawfully engaged in the execution of his official duties after the law enforcement officer has ordered the person to stop approaching or to retreat.

B. For the purposes of this Section, "law enforcement officer" means any commissioned police officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, correctional officer, probation and parole officer, constable, wildlife enforcement agent, livestock brand inspector, forestry officer, or state park warden.

C. Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for not more than sixty days, or both.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ________________

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