

2024 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 5

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

CRIME: Designates the crime of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities as a crime of violence (Item #8)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:2(B)(61), relative to crimes of violence; to designate the crime of illegal  
3 use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities as a crime of violence; and to provide  
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:2(B)(61) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §2. Definitions

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9 B. In this Code, "crime of violence" means an offense that has, as an  
10 element, the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the  
11 person or property of another, and that, by its very nature, involves a substantial risk  
12 that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the  
13 course of committing the offense or an offense that involves the possession or use  
14 of a dangerous weapon. The following enumerated offenses and attempts to commit  
15 any of them are included as "crimes of violence":

16 \* \* \*

17 (61) Illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Designates the crime of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities as a crime of violence.

Present law provides for a list of offenses designated as crimes of violence.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the offense of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities.

(Adds R.S. 14:2(B)(61))