

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 165

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYD AND CHASSION

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1025(A)(1), (B), and (C) and to enact R.S. 40:1025(E),  
3 relative to penalties for transactions in drug related objects; to reduce the penalty for  
4 possession or use of marijuana drug paraphernalia; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1025(A)(1), (B), and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted and  
7 R.S. 40:1025(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1025. Penalties

9 A.(1) ~~The~~ Except as provided in Subsection E of this Section, the first  
10 violation of or failure to comply with any provision of this Part shall subject the  
11 offender to a fine not in excess of three hundred dollars, or imprisonment of not more  
12 than fifteen days, or both.

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14 B. On a second conviction, except as provided in Subsection E of this  
15 Section, the offender shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars, or  
16 imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

17 C. On a third or subsequent conviction, except as provided in Subsection E  
18 of this Section, the offender shall be fined not more than two thousand five hundred  
19 dollars, or imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not more than two years, or  
20 both.

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1                    E. The penalty for possessing drug paraphernalia intended for, or used solely  
2                    for, the inhalation, ingestion, epidermal or sublingual absorption, or other method of  
3                    introducing marijuana or marijuana derivatives into the human body are as follows  
4                    for quantities of paraphernalia not exceeding those required for individual personal  
5                    use:

6                    (1) On a first conviction, a fine of one hundred dollars.  
7                    (2) On a second conviction, a fine of five hundred dollars.  
8                    (3) On a third or subsequent conviction, a fine of two thousand five hundred  
9                    dollars.

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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

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