

# ACT No. 682

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 165

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYD AND CHASSION

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AN ACT

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

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

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

§1025. Penalties

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

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

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