
DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates the crime of intentional exposure of a self-spreading pathogen.

Proposed law creates the crime of intentional exposure of a self-spreading pathogen.

Proposed law defines "self-spreading pathogen" as an engineered virus or bacteria including any recombinant, attenuated, or modified version of any virus or bacteria, or any virus-like or bacteria-like particles or substance capable of spreading from person to person.

Proposed law provides penalties of a fine of more than \$5,000, or imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than 10 years, or both.

(Adds R.S. 14:43.8)