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## DIGEST

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<u>Present law</u> provides for the crimes of assault and battery of emergency room personnel, emergency services personnel, or a healthcare professional and defines "healthcare professional".

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds veterinarians and veterinary staff to the definition of "healthcare professional".

<u>Present law</u> provides relative to the crime of unlawful disruption of the operation of a healthcare facility and defines "healthcare facility".

Proposed law retains present law and adds veterinary clinics to the definition of "healthcare facility".

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 14:34.8(B)(3) and 40.9(B)(3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary C to the original bill

1. Add veterinary staff to the definition of "healthcare professional".