

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 176

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

DRUGS: Provides relative to regulation of certain hallucinogenic chemicals

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:989.5, relative to hallucinogenic chemicals; to prohibit the production,
3 manufacturing, distribution, or possession of products containing certain
4 hallucinogenic chemicals; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:989.5 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §989.5. Unlawful production, manufacturing, distribution, or possession of
8 prohibited chemicals

9 A.(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly or intentionally
10 produce, manufacture, distribute, or possess with intent to produce, manufacture, or
11 distribute a material, compound, mixture, preparation, or product intended for human
12 consumption which contains beta-phenyl-GABA, muscimol, ibotenic acid, or any
13 analogue thereof.

14 (2) Any person who violates the provisions of this Subsection shall be
15 sentenced to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for not less than two years
16 nor more than ten years, or fined not more than twenty thousand dollars, or both.

17 B.(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly or intentionally
18 possess a material, compound, mixture, preparation, or product intended for human
19 consumption which contains beta-phenyl-GABA, muscimol, ibotenic acid, or any
20 analogue thereof.

- 1 (2) Any person who violates the provisions of this Subsection shall be
2 sentenced to imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for not more than five years
3 or fined not more than five thousand dollars, or both.
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DIGEST

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Firmment

Abstract: Prohibits the production, manufacture, distribution, or possession of products containing the hallucinogenic chemicals beta-phenyl-GABA, muscimol, or ibotenic acid and any analogue thereof.

Proposed law creates the crime of producing, manufacturing, distributing, or possessing with intent to produce, manufacture, or distribute products intended for human consumption that contain beta-phenyl-GABA, muscimol, ibotenic acid, or any analogue thereof.

Proposed law provides a penalty of two to 10 years imprisonment with or without hard labor, or a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both for a conviction of producing, manufacturing, distributing, or possessing with intent to do so.

Proposed law creates the crime of possession of products intended for human consumption that contains beta-phenyl-GABA, muscimol, ibotenic acid, or any analogue thereof.

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

(Adds R.S. 40:989.5)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Remove the definition of "analog".