
DIGEST

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HB 260 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to homicide.

Present law (R.S. 14:30.1) provides for the crime of second degree murder.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 14:30.1(A)(2)) provides for a list of offenses that constitute second degree murder even when the offender has no intent to kill or to inflict great bodily harm.

Proposed law retains present law and adds resisting a police officer with force or violence to this list.

Present law (R.S. 14:31) provides for the crime of manslaughter.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 14:31(A)) provides for conduct that constitutes manslaughter.

Proposed law amends present law to add either of the following circumstances as conduct that constitutes manslaughter:

- (1) When the offender unlawfully distributes or dispenses a controlled dangerous substance listed in Schedules I-V of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law, or any combination thereof, which significantly contributes to the death of the recipient who ingested or consumed the controlled dangerous substance.
- (2) When the offender unlawfully distributes or dispenses a controlled dangerous substance listed in Schedules I-V of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law, or any combination thereof, to another who subsequently distributes or dispenses such controlled dangerous substance which significantly contributes to the death of the person who ingested or consumed the controlled dangerous substance.

Proposed law shall be cited and referred to as "The Segus Jolivette Act".

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 14:30.1(A)(2); Adds R.S. 14:31(A)(4) and (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 a provision of proposed law that provided an additional circumstance of second degree murder for the killing of a human when the offender is in, or has escaped from, the lawful custody of a law enforcement officer or a place of lawful confinement, even though the offender has no intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Add unlawful distribution or dispensing of a controlled dangerous substance listed in Schedules I-V of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law under certain circumstances as conduct that constitutes manslaughter.
3. Designate proposed law as the "The Segus Jolivette Act".