

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 466 (SB 156)

2026 Regular Session

Kleinpeter

Existing law provides that whoever commits the crime of negligent homicide will be sentenced as follows:

- (1) When the victim was 10 years of age or older, the offender may be fined up to \$5,000 or imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for up to 10 years, or both.
- (2) When the victim was under 10 years of age, the offender will be imprisoned at hard labor, without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence, for between two years and 10 years.

New law increases the maximum period of imprisonment from 10 years to 15 years regardless of the victim's age but otherwise retains existing law.

New law provides that an offender will be imprisoned at hard labor, without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence, for between two years and 20 years if the victim was under 13 years of age.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 14:32(C)(1) and (2))