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DWI. Provides for changes to DWI laws. (1/1/15)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:98, 98.1, 98.2, and 98.3, and to enact R.S. 14:98.4, 98.5, 98.6, 98.7, and 98.8, relative to driving offenses; to provide relative to the crimes of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, underage operating a vehicle while intoxicated, unlawful refusal to submit to chemical tests, and operating a vehicle while under suspension; to provide definitions; to provide penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:98, 98.1, 98.2, and 98.3 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 14:98.4, 98.5, 98.6, 98.7, and 98.8 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§98. Operating a vehicle while intoxicated

A.(1) The crime of operating a vehicle while intoxicated is the operating of any motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or other means of conveyance when **any of the following conditions exist:**

- (a) The operator is under the influence of alcoholic beverages;~~or,~~
- (b) The operator's blood alcohol concentration is 0.08 percent or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of blood;~~or,~~

1 (c) The operator is under the influence of any controlled dangerous substance
2 listed in Schedule I, II, III, IV, or V as set forth in R.S. 40:964;~~or,~~

3 (d)(i) The operator is under the influence of a combination of alcohol and one
4 or more drugs ~~which~~ **that** are not controlled dangerous substances and ~~which~~ **that**
5 are legally obtainable with or without a prescription.

6 (ii) It shall be an affirmative defense to any charge under this Subparagraph
7 ~~pursuant to this Section~~ that the label on the container of the prescription drug or the
8 manufacturer's package of the drug does not contain a warning against combining
9 the medication with alcohol.

10 (e)(i) The operator is under the influence of one or more drugs ~~which~~ **that** are
11 not controlled dangerous substances and ~~which~~ **that** are legally obtainable with or
12 without a prescription.

13 (ii) It shall be an affirmative defense to any charge under this Subparagraph
14 ~~pursuant to this Section~~ that the operator did not knowingly consume quantities of
15 the drug or drugs ~~which~~ **that** substantially exceed the dosage prescribed by the
16 physician or the dosage recommended by the manufacturer of the drug.

17 (2) A valid driver's license shall not be an element of the offense, and the lack
18 thereof shall not be a defense to a prosecution for operating a vehicle while
19 intoxicated.

20 ~~B.(1) On a first conviction, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the~~
21 ~~contrary, the offender shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars nor more than~~
22 ~~one thousand dollars, and shall be imprisoned for not less than ten days nor more~~
23 ~~than six months. Imposition or execution of sentence shall not be suspended unless:~~

24 (a) ~~The offender is placed on probation with a minimum condition that he~~
25 ~~serve two days in jail and participate in a court-approved substance abuse program~~
26 ~~and participate in a court-approved driver improvement program; or~~

27 (b) ~~The offender is placed on probation with a minimum condition that he~~
28 ~~perform four eight-hour days of court-approved community service activities, at least~~
29 ~~half of which shall consist of participation in a litter abatement or collection~~

1 ~~program, participate in a court-approved substance abuse program, and participate~~
2 ~~in a court-approved driver improvement program. An offender, who participates in~~
3 ~~a litter abatement or collection program pursuant to this Subparagraph, shall have no~~
4 ~~cause of action for damages against the entity conducting the program or supervising~~
5 ~~his participation therein, including a municipality, parish, sheriff, or other entity, nor~~
6 ~~against any official, employee, or agent of such entity, for any injury or loss suffered~~
7 ~~by him during or arising out of his participation in the program, if such injury or loss~~
8 ~~is a direct result of the lack of supervision or act or omission of the supervisor, unless~~
9 ~~the injury or loss was caused by the intentional or grossly negligent act or omission~~
10 ~~of the entity or its official, employee, or agent.~~

11 ~~(2)(a) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.15 percent or~~
12 ~~more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of~~
13 ~~blood, at least forty-eight hours of the sentence imposed pursuant to Paragraph~~
14 ~~(B)(1) of this Subsection shall be served without the benefit of parole, probation, or~~
15 ~~suspension of sentence. Imposition or execution of the remainder of the sentence~~
16 ~~shall not be suspended unless the offender complies with Subparagraph (B)(1)(a) or~~
17 ~~(b) of this Subsection.~~

18 ~~(b) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.20 percent or more~~
19 ~~by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of blood, the~~
20 ~~offender shall be fined not less than seven hundred fifty dollars nor more than one~~
21 ~~thousand dollars and at least forty-eight hours of the sentence imposed pursuant to~~
22 ~~Paragraph (B)(1) of this Subsection shall be served without the benefit of parole,~~
23 ~~probation, or suspension of sentence. Imposition or execution of the remainder of the~~
24 ~~sentence shall not be suspended unless the offender complies with Subparagraph~~
25 ~~(B)(1)(a) or (b) of this Subsection.~~

26 ~~C.(1) On a conviction of a second offense, notwithstanding any other~~
27 ~~provision of law to the contrary except as provided in Paragraphs (3) and (4) of this~~
28 ~~Subsection, regardless of whether the second offense occurred before or after the~~
29 ~~first conviction, the offender shall be fined not less than seven hundred fifty dollars,~~

1 ~~nor more than one thousand dollars, and shall be imprisoned for not less than thirty~~
2 ~~days nor more than six months. At least forty-eight hours of the sentence imposed~~
3 ~~shall be served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.~~
4 ~~Nothing herein shall prohibit a court from sentencing a defendant to home~~
5 ~~incarceration, if otherwise allowed under the provisions of Article 894.2 of the Code~~
6 ~~of Criminal Procedure. Imposition or execution of the remainder of the sentence~~
7 ~~shall not be suspended unless:~~

8 ~~(a) The offender is placed on probation with a minimum condition that he~~
9 ~~serve fifteen days in jail and participate in a court-approved substance abuse program~~
10 ~~and participate in a court-approved driver improvement program, or~~

11 ~~(b) The offender is placed on probation with a minimum condition that he~~
12 ~~perform thirty eight-hour days of court-approved community service activities, at~~
13 ~~least half of which shall consist of participation in a litter abatement or collection~~
14 ~~program, and participate in a court-approved substance abuse program, and~~
15 ~~participate in a court-approved driver improvement program. An offender, who~~
16 ~~participates in a litter abatement or collection program pursuant to this~~
17 ~~Subparagraph, shall have no cause of action for damages against the entity~~
18 ~~conducting the program or supervising his participation therein, including a~~
19 ~~municipality, parish, sheriff, or other entity, nor against any official, employee, or~~
20 ~~agent of such entity, for any injury or loss suffered by him during or arising out of~~
21 ~~his participation therein, if such injury or loss is a direct result of the lack of~~
22 ~~supervision or act or omission of the supervisor, unless the injury or loss was caused~~
23 ~~by the intentional or grossly negligent act or omission of the entity or its official,~~
24 ~~employee, or agent.~~

25 ~~(2)(a) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.15 percent or~~
26 ~~more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of~~
27 ~~blood, at least ninety-six hours of the sentence imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1) of~~
28 ~~this Subsection shall be served without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension~~
29 ~~of sentence. Imposition or execution of the remainder of the sentence shall not be~~

1 ~~suspended unless the offender complies with Subparagraph (1)(a) or (b) of this~~
2 ~~Subsection.~~

3 ~~(b) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.20 percent or more~~
4 ~~by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of blood, the~~
5 ~~offender shall be fined one thousand dollars and at least ninety-six hours of the~~
6 ~~sentence imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be served~~
7 ~~without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Imposition or~~
8 ~~execution of the remainder of the sentence shall not be suspended unless the offender~~
9 ~~complies with Subparagraph (1)(a) or (b) of this Subsection.~~

10 ~~(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, on a~~
11 ~~conviction of a second offense when the first offense was for the crime of vehicular~~
12 ~~homicide in violation of R.S. 14:32.1, or first degree vehicular negligent injuring in~~
13 ~~violation of R.S. 14:39.2, the offender shall be imprisoned with or without hard labor~~
14 ~~for not less than one year nor more than five years, and shall be fined two thousand~~
15 ~~dollars. At least six months of the sentence of imprisonment imposed shall be~~
16 ~~without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence. Imposition or~~
17 ~~execution of the remainder of the sentence shall not be suspended unless the~~
18 ~~provisions of Subparagraph (1)(a) or (b) of this Subsection are complied with.~~

19 ~~(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, on a~~
20 ~~conviction of a second offense when the arrest for the second offense occurs within~~
21 ~~one year of the commission of the first offense, the offender shall be imprisoned for~~
22 ~~thirty days without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence and shall~~
23 ~~participate in a court-approved substance abuse program and in a court-approved~~
24 ~~driver improvement program.~~

25 ~~D.(1)(a) On a conviction of a third offense, notwithstanding any other~~
26 ~~provision of law to the contrary and regardless of whether the offense occurred~~
27 ~~before or after an earlier conviction, the offender shall be imprisoned with or without~~
28 ~~hard labor for not less than one year nor more than five years and shall be fined two~~
29 ~~thousand dollars. Except as provided in Paragraph (4) of this Subsection, one year~~

1 of the sentence of imprisonment shall be imposed without benefit of probation,
2 parole, or suspension of sentence. The court, in its discretion, may suspend all or
3 any part of the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment. If any portion of the
4 sentence is suspended, except for a suspension of sentence pursuant to the provisions
5 of Paragraph (4) of this Subsection, the offender shall be placed on supervised
6 probation with the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, division of
7 probation and parole, for a period of time equal to the remainder of the sentence of
8 imprisonment, which probation shall commence on the day after the offender's
9 release from custody.

10 (b) Any offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of this
11 Subsection shall be required as a condition of probation to participate in thirty eight-
12 hour days of court-approved community service activities and to submit to and
13 complete either of the following requirements:

14 (i) To immediately undergo an evaluation by the Department of Health and
15 Hospitals, office of behavioral health to determine the nature and extent of the
16 offender's substance abuse disorder and to participate in any treatment plan
17 recommended by the office of behavioral health, including treatment in an inpatient
18 facility approved by the office for a period of not less than four weeks followed by
19 outpatient treatment services for a period not to exceed twelve months.

20 (ii) To participate in substance abuse treatment in an alcohol and drug abuse
21 program provided by a drug division subject to the applicable provisions of R.S.
22 13:5301 et seq. if the offender is otherwise eligible to participate in such program.

23 (c) In addition to the requirements set forth in Subparagraph (b) of this
24 Paragraph, any offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of Subsection
25 D of this Section shall be placed in a home incarceration program approved by the
26 division of probation and parole for a period of time not less than six months and not
27 more than the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment.

28 (d) If any offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of
29 Subsection D of this Section fails to complete the substance abuse treatment required

1 by the provisions of this Paragraph or violates any other condition of probation,
2 including conditions of home incarceration, his probation may be revoked, and he
3 may be ordered to serve the balance of the sentence of imprisonment, without credit
4 for time served under home incarceration.

5 (2)(a) ~~In addition, the court shall order, subject to the discretion of the~~
6 ~~prosecuting district attorney, that the vehicle being driven by the offender at the time~~
7 ~~of the offense shall be seized and impounded, and sold at auction in the same manner~~
8 ~~and under the same conditions as executions of writ of seizures and sale as provided~~
9 ~~in Book V, Title II, Chapter 4 of the Code of Civil Procedure. If the district attorney~~
10 ~~elects to forfeit the vehicle, he shall file a written motion at least five days prior to~~
11 ~~sentencing stating his intention to forfeit the vehicle. When the district attorney~~
12 ~~elects to forfeit the vehicle, the court shall order it forfeited.~~

13 (b) ~~The vehicle shall be exempt from sale if it was stolen, or if the driver of~~
14 ~~the vehicle at the time of the violation was not the owner and the owner did not know~~
15 ~~that the driver was operating the vehicle while intoxicated. If this exemption is~~
16 ~~applicable, the vehicle shall not be released from impoundment until such time as~~
17 ~~towing and storage fees have been paid.~~

18 (c) ~~In addition, the vehicle shall be exempt from sale if all towing and storage~~
19 ~~fees are paid by a valid lienholder.~~

20 (d) ~~The proceeds of the sale shall first be used to pay court costs and towing~~
21 ~~and storage costs, and the remainder shall be allocated as follows: sixty percent of~~
22 ~~the funds shall go to the arresting agency, twenty percent to the prosecuting district~~
23 ~~attorney, and twenty percent to the Louisiana Property and Casualty Insurance~~
24 ~~Commission for its use in studying other ways to reduce drunk driving and insurance~~
25 ~~rates.~~

26 (3)(a) ~~An offender sentenced to home incarceration during probation shall be~~
27 ~~subject to special conditions to be determined by the court, which shall include but~~
28 ~~not be limited to the following:~~

29 (i) ~~Electronic monitoring.~~

1 (ii) Curfew restrictions.

2 (iii) Home visitation at least once per month by the Department of Public
3 Safety and Corrections for the first six months. After the first six months, the level
4 of supervision will be determined by the department based upon a risk assessment
5 instrument.

6 (b) The court shall also require the offender to obtain employment and to
7 participate in a court-approved driver improvement program at his expense. The
8 activities of the offender outside of his home shall be limited to traveling to and from
9 work, church services, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, or a court-approved driver
10 improvement program.

11 (c) Offenders sentenced to home incarceration required under the provisions
12 of this Section shall be subject to all other applicable provisions of Code of Criminal
13 Procedure Article 894.2.

14 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (1)(a) of this Subsection,
15 the one-year period described in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection which shall
16 otherwise be imposed without the benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of
17 sentence, may also be suspended if the offender is accepted into a drug division
18 probation program pursuant to R.S. 13:5301 et seq. The provisions of Paragraph (2)
19 of this Subsection shall also be applicable to any offender whose sentence is served
20 with the benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence pursuant to the
21 provisions of this Paragraph.

22 E.(1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in Subparagraph (4)(b) of this
23 Subsection, on a conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense, notwithstanding any
24 other provision of law to the contrary and regardless of whether the fourth offense
25 occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the offender shall be imprisoned with
26 or without hard labor for not less than ten years nor more than thirty years and shall
27 be fined five thousand dollars. Except as provided in Paragraph (5) of this
28 Subsection, two years of the sentence of imprisonment shall be imposed without
29 benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. The court, in its discretion,

1 may suspend all or any part of the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment. If any
2 portion of the sentence is suspended, except for a suspension of sentence pursuant
3 to the provisions of Paragraph (5) of this Subsection, the offender shall be placed on
4 supervised probation with the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, division
5 of probation and parole, for a period of time not to exceed five years, which
6 probation shall commence on the day after the offender's release from custody.

7 (b) Any offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of this
8 Subsection shall be required, as a condition of probation, to participate in forty eight-
9 hour days of court-approved community service activities and to submit to and
10 complete either of the following requirements:

11 (i) To immediately undergo an evaluation by the Department of Health and
12 Hospitals, office of behavioral health to determine the nature and extent of the
13 offender's substance abuse disorder and to participate in any treatment plan
14 recommended by the office of behavioral health, including treatment in an inpatient
15 facility approved by the office for a period of not less than four weeks followed by
16 outpatient treatment services for a period not to exceed twelve months.

17 (ii) To participate in substance abuse treatment in an alcohol and drug abuse
18 program provided by a drug division subject to the applicable provisions of R.S.
19 13:5301 et seq. if the offender is otherwise eligible to participate in such program.

20 (c) In addition to the requirements set forth in Subparagraph (b) of this
21 Paragraph, any offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of Subsection
22 E of this Section shall be placed in a home incarceration program approved by the
23 division of probation and parole for a period of time not less than one year nor more
24 than the remainder of the term of supervised probation.

25 (d) If any offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of
26 Subsection E of this Section fails to complete the substance abuse treatment required
27 by the provisions of this Paragraph or violates any other condition of probation,
28 including conditions of home incarceration, his probation may be revoked, and he
29 may be ordered to serve the balance of the sentence of imprisonment, without credit

1 for time served under home incarceration.

2 ~~(2)(a) In addition, the court shall order, subject to the discretion of the~~
3 ~~prosecuting district attorney, that the vehicle being driven by the offender at the time~~
4 ~~of the offense be seized and impounded, and be sold at auction in the same manner~~
5 ~~and under the same conditions as executions of writ of seizure and sale as provided~~
6 ~~in Book V, Title II, Chapter 4 of the Code of Civil Procedure. If the district attorney~~
7 ~~elects to forfeit the vehicle, he shall file a written motion at least five days prior to~~
8 ~~sentencing stating his intention to forfeit the vehicle.~~

9 ~~(b) The vehicle shall be exempt from sale if it was stolen, or if the driver of~~
10 ~~the vehicle at the time of the violation was not the owner and the owner did not know~~
11 ~~that the driver was operating the vehicle while intoxicated. If this exemption is~~
12 ~~applicable, the vehicle shall not be released from impoundment until such time as~~
13 ~~towing and storage fees have been paid.~~

14 ~~(c) In addition, the vehicle shall be exempt from sale if all towing and storage~~
15 ~~fees are paid by a valid lienholder.~~

16 ~~(d) The proceeds of the sale shall first be used to pay court costs and towing~~
17 ~~and storage costs, and the remainder shall be allocated as follows: sixty percent of~~
18 ~~the funds shall go to the arresting agency, twenty percent to the prosecuting district~~
19 ~~attorney, and twenty percent to the Louisiana Property and Casualty Insurance~~
20 ~~Commission for its use in studying other ways to reduce drunk driving and insurance~~
21 ~~rates.~~

22 ~~(3)(a) An offender sentenced to home incarceration during probation shall be~~
23 ~~subject to special conditions to be determined by the court, which shall include but~~
24 ~~not be limited to the following:~~

25 ~~(i) Electronic monitoring.~~

26 ~~(ii) Curfew restrictions.~~

27 ~~(iii) Home visitation at least once per month by the Department of Public~~
28 ~~Safety and Corrections for the first six months. After the first six months, the level~~
29 ~~of supervision will be determined by the department based upon a risk assessment~~

1 instrument.

2 (b) ~~The court shall also require the offender to obtain employment and to~~
3 ~~participate in a court-approved driver improvement program at his expense. The~~
4 ~~activities of the offender outside of his home shall be limited to traveling to and from~~
5 ~~work, church services, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, or a court-approved driver~~
6 ~~improvement program.~~

7 (c) ~~Offenders sentenced to home incarceration required under the provisions~~
8 ~~of this Section shall be subject to all other applicable provisions of Code of Criminal~~
9 ~~Procedure Article 894.2.~~

10 (4)(a) ~~If the offender has previously been required to participate in substance~~
11 ~~abuse treatment and home incarceration pursuant to Subsection D of this Section, the~~
12 ~~offender shall not be sentenced to substance abuse treatment and home incarceration~~
13 ~~for a fourth or subsequent offense, but shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not less~~
14 ~~than ten nor more than thirty years, and at least three years of the sentence shall be~~
15 ~~imposed without benefit of suspension of sentence, probation, or parole.~~

16 (b) ~~If the offender has previously received the benefit of suspension of~~
17 ~~sentence, probation, or parole as a fourth offender, after serving the mandatory~~
18 ~~sentence required by Subparagraph (E)(1)(a), no part of the remainder of the~~
19 ~~sentence may be imposed with benefit of suspension of sentence, probation, or~~
20 ~~parole, and no portion of the sentence shall be imposed concurrently with the~~
21 ~~remaining balance of any sentence to be served for a prior conviction for any~~
22 ~~offense.~~

23 (5)(a) ~~Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (1)(a) of this~~
24 ~~Subsection, the two-year period described in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection which~~
25 ~~shall otherwise be imposed without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension~~
26 ~~of sentence may also be suspended if the offender is accepted into a drug division~~
27 ~~probation program pursuant to R.S. 13:5301 et seq. The provisions of Paragraph (2)~~
28 ~~of this Subsection shall also be applicable to any offender whose sentence is served~~
29 ~~with the benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence pursuant to the~~

1 provisions of this Subparagraph.

2 (b) ~~If the offender has previously participated in a drug division probation~~
3 ~~program pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph (D)(4) of this Section, the offender~~
4 ~~shall not be eligible to serve his sentence with the benefit of probation, parole, or~~
5 ~~suspension of sentence pursuant to the provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this~~
6 ~~Paragraph, but shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not less than ten nor more than~~
7 ~~thirty years, and at least three years of the sentence shall be imposed without benefit~~
8 ~~of suspension of sentence, probation, or parole.~~

9 F.(1) ~~For purposes of determining whether a defendant has a prior conviction~~
10 ~~for violation of this Section, a conviction under either R.S. 14:32.1, vehicular~~
11 ~~homicide, R.S. 14:39.1, vehicular negligent injuring, or R.S. 14:39.2, first degree~~
12 ~~vehicular negligent injuring, or a conviction under the laws of any state or an~~
13 ~~ordinance of a municipality, town, or similar political subdivision of another state,~~
14 ~~which prohibits the operation of any motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or~~
15 ~~other means of conveyance while intoxicated, while impaired, or while under the~~
16 ~~influence of alcohol, drugs, or any controlled dangerous substance shall constitute~~
17 ~~a prior conviction. This determination shall be made by the court as a matter of law.~~

18 (2) ~~For purposes of this Section, a prior conviction shall not include a~~
19 ~~conviction for an offense under this Section, under R.S. 14:32.1, R.S. 14:39.1, or~~
20 ~~R.S. 14:39.2, or under a comparable statute or ordinance of another jurisdiction, as~~
21 ~~described in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, if committed more than ten years prior~~
22 ~~to the commission of the crime for which the defendant is being tried and such~~
23 ~~conviction shall not be considered in the assessment of penalties hereunder.~~
24 ~~However, periods of time during which the offender was awaiting trial, on probation~~
25 ~~or parole for an offense described in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, under an order~~
26 ~~of attachment for failure to appear, or incarcerated in a penal institution in this or any~~
27 ~~other state shall be excluded in computing the ten-year period.~~

28 G. ~~The legislature hereby finds and declares that conviction of a third or~~
29 ~~subsequent DWI offense is presumptive evidence of the existence of a substance~~

1 abuse disorder in the offender posing a serious threat to the health and safety of the
2 public. Further, the legislature finds that there are successful treatment methods
3 available for treatment of addictive disorders. Court-approved substance abuse
4 programs provided for in Subsections B, C, and D of this Section shall include a
5 screening procedure to determine the portions of the program which may be
6 applicable and appropriate for individual offenders and shall assess the offender's
7 degree of alcohol abuse.

8 H. ~~"Community service activities" as used in this Section may include duty~~
9 ~~in any morgue, coroner's office, or emergency treatment room of a state-operated~~
10 ~~hospital or other state-operated emergency treatment facility, with the consent of the~~
11 ~~administrator of the morgue, coroner's office, hospital, or facility.~~

12 I. ~~An offender ordered to participate in a substance abuse program in~~
13 ~~accordance with the provisions of this Section shall pay the cost incurred in~~
14 ~~participating in the program. Failure to make such payment shall subject the offender~~
15 ~~to revocation of probation, unless the court determines that the offender is unable to~~
16 ~~pay. If the court determines that the offender is unable to pay, the state shall pay for~~
17 ~~the cost of the substance abuse treatment. An offender sentenced to home~~
18 ~~incarceration and to participate in a driver improvement program shall pay the cost~~
19 ~~incurred in participating in home incarceration and a driver improvement program~~
20 ~~unless the court determines that the offender is unable to pay. However, if the court~~
21 ~~determines that an offender is unable to pay the costs incurred for participating in a~~
22 ~~substance abuse treatment program, driver improvement program, or home~~
23 ~~incarceration, the court may, upon completion of such program or home~~
24 ~~incarceration, require that the offender reimburse the state for all or a portion of such~~
25 ~~costs pursuant to a payment schedule determined by the court.~~

26 J. This Subsection shall be cited as the "Child Endangerment Law". When the
27 state proves in addition to the elements of the crime as set forth in Subsection A of
28 this Section that a minor child twelve years of age or younger was a passenger in the
29 motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or other means of motorized conveyance

1 at the time of the commission of the offense, of the sentence imposed by the court,
2 the execution of the minimum mandatory sentence provided by Subsection B or C
3 of this Section, as appropriate, shall not be suspended. If imprisonment is imposed
4 pursuant to the provisions of Subsection D, the execution of the minimum mandatory
5 sentence shall not be suspended. If imprisonment is imposed pursuant to the
6 provisions of Subsection E, at least two years of the sentence shall be imposed
7 without benefit of suspension of sentence.

8 ~~K.(1) In addition to any penalties imposed under this Section, upon~~
9 ~~conviction of a first offense if the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.20~~
10 ~~percent or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic~~
11 ~~centimeters of blood the driver's license of the offender shall be suspended for two~~
12 ~~years. Such offender may apply for a restricted license to be in effect during the~~
13 ~~entire period of suspension upon proof to the Department of Public Safety and~~
14 ~~Corrections that his motor vehicle has been equipped with a functioning ignition~~
15 ~~interlock device in compliance with the requirements of R.S. 32:378.2. The ignition~~
16 ~~interlock device shall remain installed and operative on his vehicle during the first~~
17 ~~twelve-month period of suspension of his driver's license following the date of~~
18 ~~conviction.~~

19 ~~(2)(a) In addition to any penalties imposed under this Section, upon~~
20 ~~conviction of a second offense, any vehicle, while being operated by the offender,~~
21 ~~shall be equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device in accordance with the~~
22 ~~provisions of R.S. 15:306. This requirement shall remain in effect for a period of not~~
23 ~~less than six months. In addition, the device shall remain installed and operative~~
24 ~~during any period that the offender's operator's license is suspended under law and~~
25 ~~for any additional period as determined by the court.~~

26 ~~(b) In addition to any penalties imposed under this Section and~~
27 ~~notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (2)(a) of this Subsection, upon~~
28 ~~conviction of a second offense if the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of~~
29 ~~0.20 percent or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic~~

1 centimeters of blood, the driver's license of the offender shall be suspended for four
2 years. The offender may apply for a restricted license to be in effect during the
3 period of suspension upon proof to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections
4 that his motor vehicle has been equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device
5 in compliance with the requirements of R.S. 32:378.2. The ignition interlock device
6 shall remain installed and operative on his vehicle during the first three years of the
7 four-year period of the suspension of his driver's license.

8 (3)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection and
9 R.S. 32:414(D)(1)(b), upon conviction of a third or subsequent offense of the
10 provisions of this Section, any motor vehicle, while being operated by the offender,
11 shall be equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device in accordance with the
12 provisions of R.S. 15:306. The ignition interlock device shall remain installed and
13 operative until the offender has completed the requirements of substance abuse
14 treatment and home incarceration, or, if applicable, the requirements of the drug
15 division probation program provided in R.S. 13:5301 et seq., pursuant to the
16 provisions of Subsections D and E of this Section.

17 (b) Any offender convicted of a third or subsequent offense of the provisions
18 of this Section shall, after one year of the suspension required by R.S.
19 32:414(D)(1)(a), upon proof of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections that
20 the motor vehicles being operated by the offender are equipped with functioning
21 interlock devices, be issued a restricted driver's license. The restricted license shall
22 be effective for the period of time that the offender's driver's license is suspended.
23 The restricted license shall entitle the offender to operate the vehicles equipped with
24 a functioning interlock device in order to earn a livelihood and to travel to and from
25 the places designated in Paragraphs (D)(3) and (E)(3) of this Section.

26 (4) The provisions of this Subsection shall not require installation of an
27 ignition interlock device in any vehicle described in R.S. 32:378.2(f).

28 **B.(1) This Subsection shall be cited as the "Child Endangerment Law".**

29 **(2) When the state proves, in addition to the elements of the crime as set**

1 forth in Subsection A of this Section, that a minor child twelve years of age or
2 younger was a passenger in the motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or
3 other means of motorized conveyance at the time of the commission of the
4 offense:

5 (a) Except as provided in Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph,
6 the execution of the minimum mandatory sentence provided by R.S. 14:98.1 or
7 98.2, as appropriate, shall not be suspended.

8 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if
9 imprisonment is imposed pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 14:98.3, the
10 execution of the minimum mandatory sentence shall not be suspended.

11 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if
12 imprisonment is imposed pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 14:98.4, the
13 execution of the minimum mandatory sentence shall not be suspended.

14 C. Prior convictions. (1) For purposes of determining whether a
15 defendant has a prior conviction for a violation of this Section, a conviction
16 under any of the following shall constitute a prior conviction:

17 (a) R.S. 14:32.1, vehicular homicide.

18 (b) R.S. 14:32.8, third degree feticide.

19 (c) R.S. 14:39.1, vehicular negligent injuring.

20 (d) R.S. 14:39.2, first degree vehicular negligent injuring.

21 (e) A law of any state or an ordinance of a municipality, town, or similar
22 political subdivision of another state that prohibits the operation of any motor
23 vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or other means of conveyance while
24 intoxicated, while impaired, or while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or
25 any controlled dangerous substance.

26 (2) The determination under this Subsection shall be made by the court
27 as a matter of law.

28 (3) For purposes of this Section, a prior conviction shall not include a
29 conviction for an offense under this Section or under any offense listed in

1 Paragraph (1) of this Subsection if committed more than ten years prior to the
2 commission of the crime for which the defendant is being tried, and such
3 conviction shall not be considered in the assessment of penalties hereunder.
4 However, periods of time during which the offender was awaiting trial, on
5 parole or probation for an offense described in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection,
6 under an order of attachment for failure to appear, or incarcerated in a penal
7 institution in this or any other state shall be excluded in computing the ten-year
8 period.

9 D. Penalties. (1) On a conviction of a first offense violation of operating
10 while intoxicated under this Section, notwithstanding any other provision of law
11 to the contrary, the offender shall be sentenced under the provisions of R.S.
12 14:98.1.

13 (2)(a) Except as provided by Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, on a
14 conviction of a second offense violation of operating while intoxicated under this
15 Section, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary and
16 regardless of whether the second offense occurred before or after the first
17 conviction, the offender shall be sentenced under the provisions of R.S. 14:98.2.

18 (b) If the conviction of a second offense when the first conviction was for
19 the crime of vehicular homicide in violation of R.S. 14:32.1, third degree feticide
20 in violation of R.S. 14:32.8, or first degree vehicular negligent injuring in
21 violation of R.S. 14:39.2, the offender shall be sentenced under the provisions
22 of R.S. 14:98.2(D).

23 (3) On a conviction of a third offense violation of operating while
24 intoxicated under this Section, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
25 contrary and regardless of whether the offense occurred before or after an
26 earlier conviction, the offender shall be sentenced under the provisions of R.S.
27 14:98.3.

28 (4) On a conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense violation of
29 operating while intoxicated under this Section, notwithstanding any other

1 provision of law to the contrary and regardless of whether the fourth or
2 subsequent offense occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the offender
3 shall be sentenced under the provisions of R.S. 14:98.4.

4 E. The legislature hereby finds and declares that conviction of a third or
5 subsequent offense of operating while intoxicated is presumptive evidence of the
6 existence of a substance abuse disorder in the offender that poses a serious
7 threat to the health and safety of the public. Further, the legislature finds that
8 there are successful treatment methods available for treatment of addictive
9 disorders.

10 F. Vehicle seizure and sale. (1) On a third or subsequent conviction of
11 operating while intoxicated pursuant to this Section, in addition to any other
12 sentence, the court shall order, upon motion of the prosecuting district attorney,
13 that the vehicle being operated by the offender at the time of the offense be
14 seized and impounded, and be sold at auction in the same manner and under the
15 same conditions as executions of writs of seizure and sale as provided in Book
16 V, Title II, Chapter 4 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

17 (2) The vehicle shall be exempt from sale if it was stolen, or if the driver
18 of the vehicle at the time of the violation was not the owner and the owner did
19 not know that the driver was operating the vehicle while intoxicated. If this
20 exemption is applicable, the vehicle shall not be released from impoundment
21 until such time as towing and storage fees have been paid. In addition, the
22 vehicle shall be exempt from sale if all towing and storage fees are paid by a
23 valid lienholder.

24 (3) If the district attorney elects to forfeit the vehicle, he shall file a
25 written motion at least five days prior to sentencing, stating his intention to
26 forfeit the vehicle. When the district attorney elects to forfeit the vehicle, the
27 court shall order it forfeited.

28 (4) The proceeds of the sale shall first be used to pay court costs and
29 towing and storage costs, and the remainder shall be allocated as follows:

1 (a) Sixty percent of the funds shall go to the arresting agency.

2 (b) Twenty percent of the funds shall go to the prosecuting district
3 attorney.

4 (c) Twenty percent of the funds shall go to the Louisiana Property and
5 Casualty Insurance Commission for its use in studying ways to reduce drunk
6 driving and insurance rates.

7 G.(1) If an offender placed on probation for a conviction of operating
8 while intoxicated under this Section fails to complete the required substance
9 abuse treatment, or fails to participate in a driver improvement program, or
10 violates any other condition of probation, including conditions of home
11 incarceration, his probation may be revoked, and he may be ordered to serve
12 the balance of the sentence of imprisonment, without credit for time served
13 under home incarceration.

14 (2) If the offender is found to be in violation of both the terms of his
15 release for good behavior by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections,
16 committee on parole and probation, and in violation of his probation by the
17 court, then the remaining balance of his diminution of sentence shall be served
18 first, with the previously suspended sentence imposed by the court to run
19 consecutively thereafter.

20 §98.1. ~~Underage driving under the influence~~ Operating while intoxicated, first
21 offense; penalties

22 ~~A. The crime of underage operating a vehicle while intoxicated is the~~
23 ~~operating of any motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or other means of~~
24 ~~conveyance when the operator's blood alcohol concentration is 0.02 percent or more~~
25 ~~by weight if the operator is under the age of twenty-one based on grams of alcohol~~
26 ~~per one hundred cubic centimeters of blood.~~

27 ~~B. Any underage person whose blood alcohol concentration is found to be in~~
28 ~~violation of R.S. 14:98(A)(1)(b) shall be charged under its provisions rather than~~
29 ~~under this Section.~~

1 C. ~~On a first conviction, the offender shall be fined not less than one hundred~~
2 ~~nor more than two hundred fifty dollars, and participate in a court-approved~~
3 ~~substance abuse and driver improvement program.~~

4 D. ~~On a second or subsequent conviction, regardless of whether the second~~
5 ~~offense occurred before or after the first conviction, the offender shall be fined not~~
6 ~~less than one hundred fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, and~~
7 ~~imprisoned for not less than ten days nor more than three months. Imposition or~~
8 ~~execution of sentence shall not be suspended unless:~~

9 (1) ~~The offender is placed on probation with a minimum condition that he~~
10 ~~serve forty-eight hours in jail and participate in a court-approved substance abuse~~
11 ~~and driver improvement program; or~~

12 (2) ~~The offender is placed on probation with a minimum condition that he~~
13 ~~perform ten eight-hour days of court-approved community service activities, at least~~
14 ~~half of which shall consist of participation in a litter abatement or collection program~~
15 ~~and participate in a court-approved substance and driver improvement program.~~

16 E. ~~Court programs regarding substance abuse provided for in Subsections C~~
17 ~~and D shall include a screening procedure to determine the portions of the program~~
18 ~~which may be applicable and appropriate for individual offenders.~~

19 F. ~~An offender ordered to participate in a substance abuse program shall pay~~
20 ~~the cost incurred in participating in the program. Failure to make such payment shall~~
21 ~~subject the offender to revocation of probation, unless the court determines that the~~
22 ~~offender is unable to pay.~~

23 **A.(1) Except as modified by the provisions of Paragraphs (2) and (3) of**
24 **this Subsection, on a conviction of a first offense violation of R.S. 14:98, the**
25 **offender shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars nor more than one**
26 **thousand dollars, and shall be imprisoned for not less than ten days nor more**
27 **than six months. Imposition or execution of sentence under this Paragraph shall**
28 **not be suspended unless the offender is placed on probation with the minimum**
29 **conditions that he:**

1 **(a) Serve forty-eight hours in jail, which shall not be suspended, or in lieu**
2 **thereof, perform no less than thirty-two hours of court-approved community**
3 **service activities, at least half of which shall consist of participation in a litter**
4 **abatement or collection program.**

5 **(b) Participate in a court-approved substance abuse program, which may**
6 **include an assessment by a licensed clinician to determine if the offender has a**
7 **diagnosis of substance abuse disorder. Nothing herein shall prohibit the court**
8 **from modifying the portions of the program as may be applicable and**
9 **appropriate to an individual offender as shown by the assessment.**

10 **(c) Participate in a court-approved driver improvement program.**

11 **(d) Except as provided by Subparagraph (3)(c) of this Subsection, the**
12 **court may order that the offender not operate a motor vehicle during the period**
13 **of probation, or such shorter time as set by the court, unless any vehicle, while**
14 **being operated by the offender, is equipped with a functioning ignition interlock**
15 **device in compliance with the requirements of R.S. 14:98.5(C) and R.S.**
16 **32:378.2.**

17 **(2) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.15 percent or**
18 **more but less than 0.20 percent by weight based on grams of alcohol per one**
19 **hundred cubic centimeters of blood, at least forty-eight hours of the sentence**
20 **imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be served without**
21 **the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, and is to be served**
22 **in addition to any sentence of imprisonment imposed pursuant to Subparagraph**
23 **(1)(a) of this Subsection, provided that the total period of imprisonment upon**
24 **conviction of the offense, including imprisonment for default in payment of a**
25 **fine or costs, shall not exceed six months.**

26 **(3)(a) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.20 percent**
27 **or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters**
28 **of blood, the offender shall be fined not less than seven hundred fifty dollars nor**
29 **more than one thousand dollars and at least forty-eight hours of the sentence**

1 imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be served without
2 the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, and is to be served
3 in addition to any sentence of imprisonment imposed pursuant to Subparagraph
4 (1)(a) of this Subsection, provided that the total period of imprisonment upon
5 conviction of the offense, including imprisonment for default in payment of a
6 fine or costs, shall not exceed six months.

7 (b) In addition to any penalties imposed under this Section, upon
8 conviction of a first offense, if the offender had a blood alcohol concentration
9 of 0.20 percent or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred
10 cubic centimeters of blood, the driver's license of the offender shall be
11 suspended for two years.

12 (c) The court shall require that the offender not operate a motor vehicle
13 during the period of probation unless any vehicle, while being operated by the
14 offender, is equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device in compliance
15 with the requirements of R.S. 14:98.5(C) and R.S. 32:378.2. The ignition
16 interlock device shall remain installed and operative on his vehicle during the
17 first twelve-month period of suspension of his driver's license following the date
18 of conviction.

19 B. Nothing herein shall prohibit a court from sentencing an offender to
20 serve any portion of the sentence under home incarceration pursuant to R.S.
21 14:98.5, either in lieu of, or in addition to, a term of imprisonment if otherwise
22 allowed under the provisions of Code of Criminal Procedure Article 894.2 and
23 R.S. 14:98.5(B).

24 C. An offender may apply for a restricted driver's license to be in effect
25 during the entire period of suspension upon proof to the Department of Public
26 Safety and Corrections that his motor vehicle has been equipped with a
27 functioning ignition interlock device in compliance with the requirements of
28 R.S. 32:378.2.

29 ~~§98.2. Unlawful refusal to submit to chemical tests; arrests for driving while~~

1 conviction of a second offense violation of R.S. 14:98, regardless of whether the
2 second offense occurred before or after the first conviction, the offender shall
3 be fined not less than seven hundred fifty dollars nor more than one thousand
4 dollars, and shall be imprisoned for not less than thirty days nor more than six
5 months. At least forty-eight hours of the sentence imposed shall be served
6 without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Imposition or
7 execution of the remainder of sentence shall not be suspended unless the
8 offender is placed on probation with the minimum conditions that he:

9 (a) Serve at least fifteen days in jail, without benefit of parole, probation,
10 or suspension of sentence, or in lieu thereof, perform two hundred forty hours
11 of court-approved community service activities, at least half of which shall
12 consist of participation in a litter abatement or collection program. If
13 imprisonment is imposed under this Subparagraph, the sentence is to be served
14 in addition to the sentence of imprisonment imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1)
15 of this Subsection, provided that the total period of imprisonment upon
16 conviction of the offense, including imprisonment for default in payment of a
17 fine or costs, shall not exceed six months.

18 (b) Participate in a court-approved substance abuse program, which may
19 include an assessment by a licensed clinician to determine if the offender has a
20 diagnosis of substance abuse disorder. Nothing herein shall prohibit the court
21 from modifying the portions of the program as may be applicable and
22 appropriate to an individual offender as shown by the assessment.

23 (c) Participate in a court-approved driver improvement program.

24 (d) Except as the period of time may be increased in accordance with
25 Subparagraph (3)(c) of this Subsection, the court shall order that the offender
26 not operate a motor vehicle during the period of probation unless any vehicle,
27 while being operated by the offender, is equipped with a functioning ignition
28 interlock device in compliance with the requirements of R.S. 14:98.5(C), R.S.
29 15:306, and R.S. 32:378.2, which requirement shall remain in effect for a period

1 of not less than six months from the date of conviction. In addition, the device
2 shall remain installed and operative during any period that the offender's
3 driver's license is suspended under law and for any additional period as
4 determined by the court.

5 (2) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.15 percent or
6 more but less than 0.20 percent by weight based on grams of alcohol per one
7 hundred cubic centimeters of blood, at least ninety-six hours of the sentence
8 imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be served without
9 the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

10 (3)(a) If the offender had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.20 percent
11 or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters
12 of blood, the offender shall be fined one thousand dollars and at least ninety-six
13 hours of the sentence imposed pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection
14 shall be served without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of
15 sentence.

16 (b) In addition to any penalties imposed under this Section, upon
17 conviction of a second offense if the offender had a blood alcohol concentration
18 of 0.20 percent or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred
19 cubic centimeters of blood, the driver's license of the offender shall be
20 suspended for four years.

21 (c) The court shall require that the offender not operate a motor vehicle
22 during the period of probation unless any vehicle, while being operated by the
23 offender, is equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device in compliance
24 with the requirements of R.S. 14:98.5(C), R.S. 15:306, and R.S. 32:378.2. The
25 ignition interlock device shall remain installed and operative on his vehicle
26 during the first three years of the four-year period of the suspension of his
27 driver's license.

28 (4) If the arrest for the second offense occurs within one year of the
29 commission of the first offense, at least thirty days of the sentence imposed

1 pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be served without benefit of
2 parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. In addition, if the offender had a
3 blood alcohol concentration of 0.20 percent or more by weight based on grams
4 of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters of blood, he shall be fined one
5 thousand dollars and also be subject to the provisions of Subparagraphs (3)(b)
6 and (c) of this Subsection.

7 B. Nothing herein shall prohibit a court from sentencing an offender to
8 serve any portion of the sentence under home incarceration pursuant to R.S.
9 14:98.5, either in lieu of, or in addition to, a term of imprisonment if otherwise
10 allowed under the provisions of Code of Criminal Procedure Article 894.2 and
11 R.S. 14:98.5(B).

12 C. An offender may apply for a restricted driver's license to be in effect
13 during the entire period of suspension upon proof to the Department of Public
14 Safety and Corrections that his motor vehicle has been equipped with a
15 functioning ignition interlock device in compliance with the requirements of
16 R.S. 32:378.2.

17 D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, on a
18 conviction of a second offense violation of R.S. 14:98, and regardless of whether
19 the second offense occurred before or after the first conviction, when the offense
20 was for the crime of vehicular homicide in violation of R.S. 14:32.1, third degree
21 feticide in violation of R.S. 14:32.8, or first degree vehicular negligent injuring
22 in violation of R.S. 14:39.2, the offender shall be fined two thousand dollars and
23 imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not less than one year nor more
24 than five years. At least six months of the sentence of imprisonment imposed
25 shall be without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence except
26 in compliance with R.S. 14:98.5(B)(1), the mandatory minimum sentence cannot
27 be served on home incarceration.

28 (1) Imposition or execution of the remainder of the sentence shall not be
29 suspended unless the offender is placed on probation with the minimum

1 **conditions that he:**

2 **(a) Perform two hundred forty hours of court-approved community**
3 **service activities, at least one-half of which shall consist of participation in a**
4 **litter abatement or collection program.**

5 **(b) Participate in a court-approved substance abuse program, which may**
6 **include an assessment by a licensed clinician to determine if the offender has a**
7 **diagnosis of substance abuse disorder. Nothing herein shall prohibit the court**
8 **from modifying the portions of the program as may be applicable and**
9 **appropriate to an individual offender as shown by the assessment.**

10 **(c) Participate in a court-approved driver improvement program.**

11 **(2) In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 14:98.5(B), any offender**
12 **placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of Subsection D of this Section**
13 **shall be placed in a home incarceration program approved by the division of**
14 **probation and parole for a period of time not less than six months and not more**
15 **than the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment.**

16 **(3) Except as the period of time may be increased in accordance with**
17 **Subparagraph (A)(3)(b) and (c) of this Section, in addition to any penalties**
18 **imposed under this Section, the court shall order that the offender not operate**
19 **a motor vehicle during the period of probation unless any vehicle, while being**
20 **operated by the offender, is equipped with a functioning ignition interlock**
21 **device in compliance with the requirements of R.S. 14:98.5(C), R.S. 15:306, and**
22 **R.S. 32:378.2, which requirement shall remain in effect for a period of not less**
23 **than six months from the date of conviction. In addition, the device shall**
24 **remain installed and operative during any period that the offender's driver's**
25 **license is suspended under law and for any additional period as determined by**
26 **the court.**

27 ~~§98.3. Operating a vehicle while under suspension for certain prior offenses~~

28 **Operating while intoxicated, third offense; penalties**

29 ~~A. It is unlawful to operate a motor vehicle on a public highway where the~~

1 operator's driving privileges have been suspended under the authority of R.S.
2 32:414(A)(1), (B)(1) or (2), (D)(1)(a), or 667. It shall not be a violation of the
3 provisions of this Section when a person operates a motor vehicle to obtain
4 emergency medical care for himself or any other person.

5 B. Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be imprisoned for not
6 less than fifteen days nor more than six months without benefit of suspension of
7 imposition or execution of sentence, except as provided in Subsection C.

8 C. When the operator's driving privileges were suspended for manslaughter,
9 vehicular homicide, or negligent homicide, the offender shall be imprisoned for not
10 less than sixty days nor more than six months without benefit of suspension of
11 imposition or execution of sentence.

12 **A.(1) Except as provided in Subsection B of this Section, on a conviction**
13 **of a third offense violation of R.S. 14:98, regardless of whether the third offense**
14 **occurred before or after a previous conviction, the offender shall be fined two**
15 **thousand dollars and shall be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not**
16 **less than one year nor more than five years. Except as provided in Paragraph**
17 **(2) of this Subsection, at least one year of the sentence imposed shall be served**
18 **without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Except in**
19 **compliance with R.S. 14:98.5(B)(1), the mandatory minimum sentence cannot**
20 **be served on home incarceration.**

21 **(2) The one-year period described in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection,**
22 **which shall otherwise be imposed without the benefit of parole, probation, or**
23 **suspension of sentence, may be suspended if the offender is accepted into a drug**
24 **division probation program pursuant to R.S. 13:5301 et seq. The provisions of**
25 **R.S. 14:98(F) relative to vehicle seizure and sale shall also be applicable to any**
26 **offender whose sentence is served with the benefit of parole, probation, or**
27 **suspension of sentence pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph.**

28 **(3)(a) The court, in its discretion, may suspend all or any part of the**
29 **remainder of the sentence of imprisonment imposed pursuant to Paragraph**

1 **(A)(1) of this Section. If any of the remainder of the sentence is suspended, the**
2 **offender shall be placed on supervised probation with the Department of Public**
3 **Safety and Corrections, division of probation and parole, for not more than a**
4 **period of five years but not less than a period of time equal to the remainder of**
5 **the sentence of imprisonment, which probation shall commence on the day after**
6 **the offender's release from imprisonment after serving the mandatory sentence**
7 **required by this Section, unless the offender was released by diminution of**
8 **sentence for good behavior pursuant to R.S. 15:571.3, in which case the**
9 **probation shall commence simultaneously with the period of supervision**
10 **provided by R.S. 15:571.5 and shall run concurrently therewith. The offender**
11 **must comply with both the conditions of his release as set by the parole board**
12 **in accordance with R.S. 15:571.5 and with the conditions of probation set by the**
13 **sentencing court.**

14 **(b) Any offender placed on probation pursuant to this Paragraph shall**
15 **be required as a condition of probation to participate in two hundred forty**
16 **hours of court-approved community service activities, obtain employment,**
17 **participate in a court-approved driver improvement program at his expense,**
18 **and submit to and complete either of the following requirements:**

19 **(i) Immediately undergo an evaluation by the Department of Health and**
20 **Hospitals, office of behavioral health, to determine the nature and extent of the**
21 **offender's substance abuse disorder and to participate in any treatment plan**
22 **recommended by the office of behavioral health, including treatment in an**
23 **inpatient facility approved by the office for a period of not less than four weeks,**
24 **followed by outpatient treatment services for a period not to exceed twelve**
25 **months.**

26 **(ii) Participate in substance abuse treatment in an alcohol and drug**
27 **abuse program provided by a drug division subject to the applicable provisions**
28 **of R.S. 13:5301 et seq. if the offender is otherwise eligible to participate in such**
29 **program.**

1 (c) In addition to the requirements set forth in Subparagraphs (a) and
2 (b) of this Paragraph, any offender placed on probation pursuant to the
3 provisions of this Subsection shall be placed in a home incarceration program
4 approved by the division of probation and parole for a period of time not less
5 than six months and not more than the remainder of the sentence of
6 imprisonment. The terms of home incarceration shall be in compliance with the
7 provisions of R.S. 14:98.5(B) and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 894.2.

8 (d)(i) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary and the provisions of R.S.
9 32:414(D)(1)(b), upon conviction of a third offense violation of R.S. 14:98, any
10 motor vehicle, while being operated by the offender, shall be equipped with a
11 functioning ignition interlock device in accordance with the provisions of R.S.
12 15:306. The ignition interlock device shall remain installed and operative until
13 the offender has completed the requirements of substance abuse treatment and
14 home incarceration, or, if applicable, the requirements of the drug division
15 probation program provided in R.S. 13:5301 et seq.

16 (ii) Any offender convicted of a third offense violation of R.S. 14:98 shall,
17 after one year of the suspension required by R.S. 32:414(D)(1)(a), upon proof
18 to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections that the motor vehicles
19 being operated by the offender are equipped with functioning ignition interlock
20 devices, be issued a restricted driver's license. The restricted license shall be
21 effective for the period of time that the offender's driver's license is suspended.
22 The restricted license shall entitle the offender to operate the vehicles equipped
23 with a functioning ignition interlock device in order to earn a livelihood and to
24 travel to and from the places designated in R.S. 14:98.5(B)(1)(e).

25 (e) If an offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of this
26 Paragraph fails to complete the substance abuse treatment required by this
27 Subsection or violates any other condition of probation, including conditions of
28 home incarceration, his probation may be revoked, and he may be ordered to
29 serve the balance of the sentence of imprisonment, without credit for time

1 served under home incarceration.

2 B.(1) If the offender has previously received the benefit of parole,
3 probation, or suspension of sentence on a conviction of a third or subsequent
4 offense violation of R.S. 14:98, or if the offender has previously participated in
5 a drug division probation program pursuant to R.S. 13:5301 et seq., pursuant
6 to a sentence imposed on a conviction of a third or subsequent offense violation
7 of R.S. 14:98, or if the offender has previously been required to participate in
8 substance abuse treatment or home incarceration pursuant to a sentence
9 imposed on a conviction of a third or subsequent offense violation of R.S. 14:98,
10 then on a conviction of a subsequent third offense violation of R.S. 14:98,
11 notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary and regardless of
12 whether the offense occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the offender
13 shall be fined two thousand dollars and imprisoned, with or without hard labor,
14 for not less than two nor more than five years. At least two years of the
15 sentence imposed shall be served without benefit of parole, probation, or
16 suspension of sentence. Except in compliance with R.S. 14:98.5(B)(1), the
17 mandatory minimum sentence cannot be served on home incarceration.

18 (2) Except where inconsistent with the provisions of this Subsection, the
19 conditions of probation shall include but not be limited to the conditions of
20 probation provided by Paragraph (A)(3) of this Section, except that the offender
21 shall not be sentenced to substance abuse treatment provided for by Items
22 (A)(3)(b)(i) and (ii) of this Section. Nothing herein shall prohibit the court from
23 ordering substance abuse treatment if it determines that the offender is able to
24 pay for the substance abuse treatment.

25 C. In addition to any other penalty, the court shall order, upon motion
26 of the prosecuting district attorney, that the vehicle being operated by the
27 offender at the time of the offense be seized and impounded, and sold at auction
28 in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 14:98(F).

29 §98.4. Operating while intoxicated, fourth offense; penalties

1 A.(1) Except as modified by Subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this
2 Subsection, or as provided by Subsections B and C of this Section, on a
3 conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense violation of R.S. 14:98, regardless
4 of whether the fourth offense occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the
5 offender shall be fined five thousand dollars and imprisoned, with or without
6 hard labor, for not less than ten years nor more than thirty years. Two years
7 of the sentence of imprisonment shall be imposed without benefit of parole,
8 probation, or suspension of sentence. Except in compliance with R.S.
9 14:98.5(B)(1), the mandatory minimum sentence cannot be served on home
10 incarceration.

11 (a) Except as prohibited by Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the two-
12 year period, which shall otherwise be imposed without benefit of parole,
13 probation, or suspension of sentence, may be suspended if the offender is
14 accepted into a drug division probation program pursuant to R.S. 13:5301 et
15 seq. The provisions of R.S. 14:98(F) relative to vehicle seizure and sale shall
16 also be applicable to any offender whose sentence is served with the benefit of
17 parole, probation, or suspension of sentence pursuant to the provisions of this
18 Paragraph.

19 (b) If the offender has previously participated in a drug division
20 probation program pursuant to R.S. 13:5301 et seq., pursuant to a sentence
21 imposed on a third or subsequent offense conviction under R.S. 14:98, three
22 years of the sentence imposed in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be
23 imposed without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.
24 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the offender shall not be eligible
25 to have the mandatory portion of his sentence suspended because of his
26 participation in a drug division program under Item (2)(b)(ii) of this Subsection.

27 (2)(a) The court, in its discretion, may suspend all or any part of the
28 remainder of the sentence of imprisonment. If any of the sentence is suspended,
29 the offender shall be placed on supervised probation with the Department of

1 Public Safety and Corrections, division of probation and parole, for a period of
2 five years, which probation shall commence on the day after the offender's
3 release from imprisonment after serving the mandatory sentence required by
4 this Section, unless the offender was released by diminution of sentence for good
5 behavior pursuant to R.S. 15:571.3, in which case the probation shall commence
6 simultaneously with the period of supervision provided by R.S. 15:571.5 and
7 shall run concurrently therewith. The offender must comply with both the
8 conditions of his release as set by the parole board in accordance with R.S.
9 15:571.5 and with the conditions of probation set by the sentencing court.

10 (b) Any offender placed on probation pursuant to this Paragraph shall
11 be required as a condition of probation to participate in three hundred twenty
12 hours of court-approved community service activities, obtain employment,
13 participate in a court-approved driver improvement program at his expense,
14 and submit to and complete either of the following requirements:

15 (i) Immediately undergo an evaluation by the Department of Health and
16 Hospitals, office of behavioral health, to determine the nature and extent of the
17 offender's substance abuse disorder, and participate in any treatment plan
18 recommended by the office of behavioral health, including treatment in an
19 inpatient facility approved by the office for a period of not less than four weeks
20 followed by outpatient treatment services for a period not to exceed twelve
21 months.

22 (ii) Except as provided in R.S. 14:98(A)(1)(b), participate in substance
23 abuse treatment in an alcohol and drug abuse program provided by a drug
24 division subject to the applicable provisions of R.S. 13:5301 et seq. if the
25 offender is otherwise eligible to participate in such program.

26 (c) In addition to the requirements set forth in Subparagraphs (a) and
27 (b) of this Paragraph, any offender placed on probation pursuant to the
28 provisions of this Subsection shall be placed in a home incarceration program
29 approved by the division of probation and parole for the remainder of the term

1 of supervised probation. The terms of home incarceration shall be in
2 compliance with the provisions of R.S. 14:98.5(B) and Code of Criminal
3 Procedure Article 894.2.

4 (d)(i) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary and the provisions of R.S.
5 32:414(D)(1)(b), upon conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense, any motor
6 vehicle, while being operated by the offender, shall be equipped with a
7 functioning ignition interlock device in accordance with the provisions of R.S.
8 15:306. The ignition interlock device shall remain installed and operative until
9 the offender has completed the requirements of substance abuse treatment and
10 home incarceration or, if applicable, the requirements of the drug division
11 probation program provided for in R.S. 13:5301 et seq.

12 (ii) Any offender convicted of a fourth or subsequent offense shall, after
13 one year of the suspension required by R.S. 32:414(D)(1)(a), upon proof to the
14 Department of Public Safety and Corrections that the motor vehicles being
15 operated by the offender are equipped with functioning ignition interlock
16 devices, be issued a restricted driver's license. The restricted license shall be
17 effective for the period of time that the offender's driver's license is suspended.
18 The restricted license shall entitle the offender to operate the vehicles equipped
19 with a functioning ignition interlock device in order to earn a livelihood and to
20 travel to and from the places designated in R.S. 14:98.5(B)(1)(e).

21 (e) If an offender placed on probation pursuant to the provisions of this
22 Paragraph fails to complete the substance abuse treatment required by this
23 Subsection or violates any other condition of probation, including conditions of
24 home incarceration, his probation may be revoked, and he may be ordered to
25 serve the balance of the sentence of imprisonment, without credit for time
26 served under home incarceration.

27 B.(1) If the offender has previously been required to participate in
28 substance abuse treatment or home incarceration pursuant to a sentence
29 imposed on a conviction of a third offense violation of R.S. 14:98, then on a

1 conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense, notwithstanding any other
2 provision of law to the contrary and regardless of whether the fourth offense
3 occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the offender shall be fined five
4 thousand dollars and imprisoned at hard labor for not less than ten nor more
5 than thirty years, at least three years of which shall be imposed without benefit
6 of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Notwithstanding any provision
7 of law to the contrary, the offender shall not be eligible to have the mandatory
8 portion of his sentence suspended because of his participation in a drug division
9 program under Item (2)(b)(ii) of Subsection A of this Section, and except in
10 compliance with R.S. 14:98.5(B)(1), the mandatory minimum sentence cannot
11 be served on home incarceration.

12 (2) After serving the mandatory sentence, if any of the remainder of the
13 sentence is suspended, the offender shall be placed on supervised probation with
14 the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, division of probation and
15 parole, for a period of five years, which probation shall commence on the day
16 after the offender's release from imprisonment after serving the mandatory
17 sentence required by this Section, unless the offender was released by
18 diminution of sentence for good behavior pursuant to R.S. 15:571.3, in which
19 case the probation shall commence simultaneously with the period of
20 supervision provided by R.S. 15:571.5 and shall run concurrently therewith.
21 The offender must comply with both the conditions of his release as set by the
22 parole board in accordance with R.S. 15:571.5 and with the conditions of
23 probation set by the sentencing court.

24 (3) Except where inconsistent with the provisions of this Subsection, the
25 conditions of probation shall include but not be limited to the conditions of
26 probation provided by Paragraph (A)(2) of this Section, but the offender shall
27 not be sentenced to substance abuse treatment provided for by Items
28 (A)(2)(b)(i) and (ii) of this Section. Nothing herein shall prohibit the court from
29 ordering substance abuse treatment if it determines that the offender is able to

1 pay for the substance abuse treatment.

2 C. If the offender has previously received the benefit of parole,
3 probation, or suspension of sentence on a conviction of a fourth or subsequent
4 offense violation of R.S. 14:98, then on a subsequent conviction of a fourth or
5 greater offense, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary and
6 regardless of whether the offense occurred before or after an earlier conviction,
7 the offender shall be fined five thousand dollars and imprisoned at hard labor
8 for not less than ten nor more than thirty years. No part of the sentence shall
9 be imposed with benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, and no
10 portion of the sentence shall be imposed concurrently with the remaining
11 balance of any sentence to be served for a prior conviction for any offense.

12 D. In addition to any other penalty, the court shall order, upon motion
13 of the prosecuting district attorney, that the vehicle being operated by the
14 offender at the time of the offense be seized and impounded, and sold at auction
15 in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 14:98(F).

16 §98.5. Special provisions and definitions

17 A. Substance abuse programs. (1) An offender ordered to participate in
18 a substance abuse program, home incarceration, or a driver improvement
19 program in accordance with the penalty provisions of R.S. 14:98, 98.1, 98.2,
20 98.3, and 98.4 shall pay the cost incurred in participating in the program.
21 Failure to make such payment shall subject the offender to revocation of
22 probation, unless the court determines that the offender is unable to pay.

23 (2) On a conviction of a third or subsequent offense violation of R.S.
24 14:98, if the court determines that the offender is unable to pay, the state shall
25 pay for the cost of the substance abuse treatment. If the court determines that
26 an offender is unable to pay the costs incurred for participating in a substance
27 abuse treatment program, driver improvement program, or home
28 incarceration, the court may, upon completion of such program or home
29 incarceration, require that the offender reimburse the state for all or a portion

1 of such costs pursuant to a payment schedule determined by the court. This
2 Paragraph shall not apply to substance abuse treatment imposed as a condition
3 of probation under R.S. 14:98.4(B)(3).

4 B. Home incarceration. (1) For felony violations of R.S. 14:98, the
5 mandatory minimum sentence imposed by the court shall not be served on
6 home incarceration unless either:

7 (a) The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, through the
8 division of probation and parole, recommends home incarceration of the
9 defendant and specific conditions of that home incarceration.

10 (b) The district attorney recommends home incarceration.

11 (2) Except as provided by Paragraph (B)(4) of this Section and unless
12 otherwise authorized or prohibited, on a misdemeanor violation of R.S. 14:98
13 or on a felony violation of R.S. 14:98 after the offender has served the
14 mandatory minimum sentence, the court may sentence the offender to home
15 incarceration.

16 (3) Except as modified by Paragraph (B)(5) of this Section, when the
17 court sentences an offender to home incarceration, the offender shall be subject
18 to special conditions to be determined by the court, which shall include but not
19 be limited to the following:

20 (a) Electronic monitoring. However, nothing herein shall prohibit a
21 court from ordering nonelectronic monitored home incarceration as a condition
22 of probation for a first or second conviction where the period of home
23 incarceration is less than five days.

24 (b) Curfew restrictions.

25 (c) The court shall require the offender to obtain employment.

26 (d) The court shall require the offender to participate in a court-
27 approved driver improvement program, if not already a condition of his
28 probation.

29 (e) The activities of the offender outside of his home shall be limited to

1 traveling to and from work, church services or other religious services,
2 Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, Narcotics Anonymous meetings, other secular-
3 based addiction recovery group meetings, accredited educational institutions,
4 meetings with his probation or parole officer, court-ordered community service
5 activities, court-ordered substance abuse treatments, and a court-approved
6 driver improvement program.

7 (f) Except as inconsistent with the provisions of this Subsection, an
8 offender sentenced to home incarceration shall be subject to all other applicable
9 provisions of Code of Criminal Procedure Article 894.2.

10 (4) An offender who has been convicted of any second violation of any
11 state or local law or ordinance prohibiting operating a vehicle while intoxicated,
12 committed within five years of the commission of any prior operating while
13 intoxicated violation, shall not be eligible for home incarceration until the
14 offender has first served a minimum of forty-eight consecutive hours of
15 imprisonment.

16 (5) When the offender is on probation for a third or subsequent offense,
17 or on a second offense under R.S. 14:98.2(D), a home visitation shall be
18 conducted at least once per month by the Department of Public Safety and
19 Corrections for the first six months. After the first six months, the level of
20 supervision shall be determined by the department based upon a risk
21 assessment instrument.

22 C. Ignition interlock devices. (1) No offender who is ordered to install an
23 ignition interlock device as a condition of probation shall:

24 (a) Fail to comply with all applicable provisions of R.S. 15:306 and 307
25 and R.S. 32:378.2 and 414(D)(1)(b).

26 (b) Violate the conditions of his restricted driver's license as set by the
27 Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

28 (c) Operate, rent, lease, or borrow a motor vehicle unless that vehicle is
29 equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device.

1 (d) Request or solicit any other person to blow into an ignition interlock
2 device or to start a motor vehicle equipped with the device for the purpose of
3 providing the offender with an operable motor vehicle.

4 (2) If the court imposes the use of an ignition interlock device as a
5 condition of probation, the offender shall provide proof of compliance to the
6 court or the probation officer within thirty days. If the offender fails to provide
7 proof of installation within that period, absent a finding by the court of good
8 cause for the failure that is entered into the court record, the court shall revoke
9 the offender's probation.

10 (3) The provisions of this Subsection shall not require installation of an
11 ignition interlock device in any vehicle described in R.S. 32:378.2(I).

12 D.(1) "Community service activities" as used in this Section and R.S.
13 14:98.1, 98.2, 98.3, and 98.4, in addition to participation in a litter abatement or
14 collection program, may include duty in any morgue, coroner's office, or
15 emergency treatment room of a state-operated hospital or other state-operated
16 emergency treatment facility, with the consent of the administrator of the
17 morgue, coroner's office, hospital, or facility.

18 (2) An offender who participates in a litter abatement or collection
19 program pursuant to this Subsection shall have no cause of action for damages
20 against the entity conducting the program or supervising the offender's
21 participation therein, including a municipality, parish, sheriff, or other entity,
22 nor against any official, employee, or agent of such entity, for any injury or loss
23 suffered by him during or arising out of his participation therein, if such injury
24 or loss is a direct result of the lack of supervision or act or omission of the
25 supervisor, unless the injury or loss was caused by the intentional or grossly
26 negligent act or omission of the entity or its official, employee, or agent.

27 §98.6. Underage operating while intoxicated

28 A. The crime of underage operating a vehicle while intoxicated is the
29 operating of any motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or other means of

1 conveyance when the operator's blood alcohol concentration is 0.02 percent or
2 more by weight based on grams of alcohol per one hundred cubic centimeters
3 of blood, if the operator is under the age of twenty-one.

4 B. Any underage person whose blood alcohol concentration is found to
5 be in violation of R.S. 14:98(A)(1)(b) shall be charged under the provisions of
6 that Subparagraph rather than under this Section.

7 C.(1) On a first conviction, the offender shall be fined not less than one
8 hundred dollars nor more than two hundred fifty dollars, and imprisoned for
9 not less than ten days nor more than three months. Imposition or execution of
10 sentence shall not be suspended unless the offender is placed on probation with
11 the minimum conditions that he:

12 (a) Perform thirty-two hours of court-approved community service
13 activities, at least half of which shall consist of participation in a litter
14 abatement or collection program.

15 (b) Participate in a court-approved substance abuse and driver
16 improvement program.

17 (2) On a second or subsequent conviction, regardless of whether the
18 second offense occurred before or after the first conviction, the offender shall
19 be fined not less than two hundred fifty dollars nor more than five hundred
20 dollars, and imprisoned for not less than thirty days nor more than six months.
21 Imposition or execution of sentence under this Paragraph shall not be
22 suspended unless the offender is placed on probation with the minimum
23 conditions that he:

24 (a) Serve forty-eight hours in jail without benefit of parole, probation,
25 or suspension of sentence, or in lieu thereof, perform no less than eighty hours
26 of court-approved community service activities, at least half of which shall
27 consist of participation in a litter abatement or collection program.

28 (b) Participate in a court-approved substance abuse program.

29 (c) Participate in a court-approved driver improvement program.

1 **(3) Nothing herein shall prohibit a court from sentencing an offender to**
2 **serve any portion of the sentence under home incarceration either in lieu of, or**
3 **in addition to, a term of imprisonment if otherwise allowed under the provisions**
4 **of Code of Criminal Procedure Article 894.2 and R.S. 14:98.5(B).**

5 **(4) The court may require that the offender not operate a motor vehicle**
6 **during the period of probation unless any vehicle, while being operated by the**
7 **offender, is equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device in accordance**
8 **with R.S. 14:98.5(C).**

9 **D. Court programs regarding substance abuse as provided for by**
10 **Subsection C of this Section shall include a screening procedure to determine**
11 **the portions of the program that may be applicable and appropriate for**
12 **individual offenders.**

13 **§98.7. Unlawful refusal to submit to chemical tests; arrests for driving while**
14 **intoxicated**

15 **A. No person under arrest for a violation of R.S. 14:98, 98.6, or any other**
16 **law or ordinance that prohibits operating a vehicle while intoxicated may refuse**
17 **to submit to a chemical test when requested to do so by a law enforcement**
18 **officer if he has refused to submit to such test on two previous and separate**
19 **occasions of any such violation.**

20 **B.(1) Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be fined not**
21 **less than three hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, and shall**
22 **be imprisoned for not less than ten days nor more than six months.**

23 **(2) Imposition or execution of sentence shall not be suspended unless one**
24 **of the following occurs:**

25 **(a) The offender is placed on probation with the minimum conditions**
26 **that he serve two days in jail and participate in a court-approved substance**
27 **abuse program and participate in a court-approved driver improvement**
28 **program.**

29 **(b) The offender is placed on probation with the minimum conditions**

1 that he perform thirty-two hours of court-approved community service
 2 activities, at least half of which shall consist of participation in a litter
 3 abatement or collection program, participate in a court-approved substance
 4 abuse program, and participate in a court-approved driver improvement
 5 program. An offender who participates in a litter abatement or collection
 6 program pursuant to this Subparagraph shall have no cause of action for
 7 damages against the entity conducting the program or supervising his
 8 participation therein, as provided by R.S. 14:98.5(D).

9 §98.8. Operating a vehicle while under suspension for certain prior offenses

10 A. It is unlawful to operate a motor vehicle on a public highway where
 11 the operator's driving privileges have been suspended under the authority of
 12 R.S. 32:414(A)(1), (B)(1) or (2), (D)(1)(a), or R.S. 32:667. It shall not be a
 13 violation of the provisions of this Section when a person operates a motor
 14 vehicle to obtain emergency medical care for himself or any other person.

15 B. Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be imprisoned for
 16 not less than fifteen days nor more than six months without benefit of
 17 suspension of imposition or execution of sentence, except as provided in
 18 Subsection C.

19 C. When the operator's driving privileges were suspended for
 20 manslaughter, vehicular homicide, or negligent homicide, the offender shall be
 21 imprisoned for not less than sixty days nor more than six months without
 22 benefit of suspension of imposition or execution of sentence.

23 Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
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DIGEST

Perry (SB 277)

Present law defines the crime of operating a vehicle while intoxicated (DWI) as the operating of any motor vehicle under any of the following conditions:

- (1) The operator is under the influence of alcoholic beverages.

- (2) The operator is under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance.
- (3) The operator is under the influence of one or more drugs that are not controlled dangerous substances, whether alone or in combination with alcohol.
- (4) The operator's blood alcohol concentration (BAC) is 0.08 percent or more by weight based on grams of alcohol per 100 cubic centimeters of blood.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (Child Endangerment Law) provides that when the state proves that a minor child 12 years of age or younger was a passenger in the vehicle, the mandatory minimum sentences for DWI first and subsequent offenses cannot be suspended.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that a "prior conviction" for purposes of present law DWI sentencing provisions includes a conviction for the present law crimes of DWI, vehicular homicide, vehicular negligent injuring, first degree vehicular negligent injuring, or a conviction under the laws of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the operation of a vehicle while impaired or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or any controlled dangerous substance. Present law further provides that a "prior conviction" does not include a conviction for an offense committed more than 10 years prior to the commission of the crime for which the defendant is being tried. Present law further provides that periods of time during which the offender was awaiting trial, on parole or probation, under an order of attachment for failure to appear, or incarcerated are to be excluded in computing the 10-year period.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the present law crime of third degree feticide to the list of crimes constituting a prior conviction.

Present law provides that a conviction of a third or subsequent offense DWI is presumptive evidence of the existence of a substance abuse disorder in the offender that poses a serious threat to the health and safety of the public.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that if an offender placed on probation for a conviction of DWI fails to complete required substance abuse treatment, or fails to participate in a driver improvement program, or violates any other condition of probation, the offender's probation may be revoked, and he may be ordered to serve the balance of the sentence of imprisonment without credit for time served under home incarceration.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a first offense DWI, the offender is to be fined between \$300 and \$1,000, and imprisoned for not less than 10 days nor more than six months. Present law further provides that imposition or execution of sentence can be suspended under certain circumstances provided for by present law, including serving 48 hours in jail or performing at least four eight-hour days of community service, half of which must consist of litter abatement or collection.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the requirement of community service from four eight-hour days to 32 hours. Proposed law also adds the requirement of participation in a court-approved substance abuse program, which may include an assessment to determine if the offender has a substance abuse disorder. Proposed law further provides that the court may require an ignition interlock device be installed on the offender's vehicle.

Present law requires that on a conviction of a first offense DWI, if the offender had a BAC

of 0.15 percent or more, then at least 48 hours of the sentence must be served without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further requires that if the offender had a BAC of 0.20 percent or more, then he is to be fined between \$750 and \$1,000 and serve at least 48 hours of the sentence without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a first offense DWI when the offender's BAC was 0.20 percent or more, the offender's driver's license is to be suspended for two years. Present law further allows the offender to obtain a restricted driver's license upon proof to the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPSC) that he has installed an ignition interlock device on his vehicle.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that all or part of the offender's sentence may be served under home incarceration.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that the total period of imprisonment for first offense DWI, including imprisonment for default in payment of a fine or costs, cannot exceed six months.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a second offense DWI, regardless of whether the second offense occurred before or after the first conviction, the offender is to be fined between \$750 and \$1,000, and imprisoned for not less than 30 days nor more than six months. Present law further provides that at least 48 hours of the sentence is to be served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further provides that the offender may be sentenced to home incarceration, and provides that imposition or execution of the remainder of the sentence over 48 hours can be suspended under certain circumstances provided for by present law, including serving 15 days in jail or performing at least 30 eight-hour days of community service, half of which must consist of litter abatement or collection, participating in a court-approved substance abuse program, and participating in a court-approved driver improvement program.

Proposed law requires a minimum of 15 days in jail rather than a fixed period of 15 days in jail as provided for by present law. Proposed law provides that the total period of imprisonment for first offense DWI, including imprisonment for default in payment of a fine or costs, cannot exceed six months. Proposed law further provides that the substance abuse program provided for by present law may include assessment to determine if the offender has a substance abuse disorder. Proposed law further provides that the court is to require an ignition interlock device be installed on the offender's vehicle for at least six months.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

Present law requires that on a conviction of a second offense DWI, if the offender had a BAC of 0.15 percent or more, then at least 96 hours of the sentence must be served without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further requires that if the offender had a BAC of 0.20 percent or more, then he is to be fined \$1,000 and serve at least 96 hours of the sentence without the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

Proposed law retains present law .

Present law provides that on a conviction of a second offense DWI when the offender's BAC was 0.20 percent or more, the offender's driver's license is to be suspended for four years. Present law further requires the installation of an ignition interlock device on the offender's

vehicle. Present law further allows the offender to obtain a restricted driver's license upon proof to DPSC that the ignition interlock device has been installed on the offender's vehicle.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a second offense DWI when the arrest for the second offense occurs within one year of the commission of the first offense, the offender is to be imprisoned for 30 days without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence and must participate in a court-approved substance abuse program and in a court-approved driver improvement program.

Proposed law retains present law and clarifies that the defendant convicted of a second offense within one year of the first offense is also to be fined \$1,000.

Present law provides that all or part of the offender's sentence for a second offense DWI may be served under home incarceration if otherwise allowed under present law relative to home incarceration generally.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a second offense DWI when the first offense was for the present law crime of vehicular homicide or first degree vehicular negligent injuring, the offender is to be fined \$2,000 and imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for between one year and five years, at least six months of which must be without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further provides that the remainder of the sentence may be suspended if the offender is placed on probation with the requirements that he serve 15 days in jail and participate in a court-approved substance abuse program and a court-approved driver improvement program, or perform 30 eight-hour days of community service.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the present law crime of third degree feticide to the list of crimes resulting in an enhanced sentence for second offense DWI. Proposed law adds that the substance abuse program provided for by present law may include an assessment to determine if the offender has a substance abuse disorder. Proposed law also adds that an offender placed on probation must be placed in a home incarceration program for at least six months.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a third offense DWI, regardless of whether the third offense occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the offender is to be fined \$2,000 and imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for between one and five years, with one year of the sentence served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further provides that the one-year mandatory minimum sentence can be suspended if the offender is accepted into a drug division program as provided for by present law.

Present law further provides that the remainder of the sentence can be suspended and the offender placed on supervised probation with DPSC for the remainder of the sentence, with the conditions that the offender participate in 30 eight-hour days of court-approved community service and either undergo an evaluation by the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to determine the nature and extent of the offender's substance abuse disorder and participate in any recommended treatment plan, or participate in substance abuse treatment in a program provided by a drug division pursuant to present law. Present law further requires an offender placed on probation pursuant to present law be placed in a home incarceration program for at least six months. Present law further provides that the offender's vehicle may be seized and sold pursuant to present law.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the community service requirement from 30 eight-hour days to 240 hours.

Present law requires that an ignition interlock device be installed on the offender's vehicle and allows the offender to obtain a restricted driver's license.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that if the offender convicted of a third offense DWI has previously received the benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, then on a subsequent conviction the offender is to be fined \$2,000 and imprisoned at hard labor for between two and five years. Proposed law further provides that at least two years of the sentence must be served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Proposed law further provides that such offender cannot be sentenced to home incarceration unless certain proposed law conditions are met.

Present law provides that on a third or subsequent conviction of DWI, in addition to any other sentence, the court is to order, upon motion of the prosecuting district attorney, that the vehicle being operated by the offender at the time of the offense be seized and impounded, and sold at auction in accordance with present law. Present law further provides that the proceeds of the sale are to be used first to pay court costs and towing and storage costs, and the remainder is to be allocated pursuant to present law.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that on a conviction of a fourth offense DWI or subsequent DWI offense, regardless of whether the fourth or subsequent offense occurred before or after an earlier conviction, the offender is to be fined \$5,000 and imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for between ten and 30 years, with two years of the sentence served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further provides that the two-year mandatory minimum sentence can be suspended if the offender is accepted into a drug division program as provided for by present law.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the mandatory minimum sentence of two years for fourth offense DWI cannot be served on home incarceration.

Present law provides that if the offender has previously participated in a drug division probation program pursuant to present law pursuant to a sentence imposed on a third or subsequent offense DWI conviction, then three years of the sentence must be imposed without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the offender is not to be eligible to have the mandatory portion of his sentence suspended because of his participation in a drug division program.

Present law provides that the court may suspend all or any part of the remainder of the sentence of imprisonment, provided that the offender is placed on supervised probation with DPSC for a period of five years, participate in 40 eight-hour days of court-approved community service, be placed in a home incarceration program, and submit to either an evaluation by DHH and participate in any treatment plan recommended or participate in substance abuse treatment in a program provided by a drug division pursuant to present law.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the requirement of community service from 40 eight-hour days to 320 hours.

Present law requires the installation of an ignition interlock device on the offender's vehicle. Present law further allows the offender to obtain a restricted driver's license after one year of suspension upon proof to DPSC that the ignition interlock device has been installed on the offender's vehicle.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that if the offender has previously been required to participate in substance abuse treatment or home incarceration pursuant to a sentence imposed on a conviction of a third offense DWI violation, then on a conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense the offender is to be imprisoned at hard labor for not less than ten nor more than 30 years, at least three years of which are to be imposed without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence. Present law further provides that the offender is not eligible to have the mandatory portion of his sentence suspended because of his participation in a drug division program and the mandatory minimum sentence cannot be served on home incarceration.

Proposed law retains present law except to change the mandatory minimum sentence from three years to five years and adds a fine of \$5,000.

Present law provides that if the remainder of the sentence is suspended, the offender is to be placed on supervised probation with DPSC for a period of five years but the offender cannot be sentenced to substance abuse treatment.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that nothing in proposed law prohibits the court from ordering substance abuse treatment if it determines that the offender is able to pay for the substance abuse treatment.

Present law provides that if the offender has previously received the benefit of suspension of sentence, probation, or parole on a conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense DWI, then on a subsequent conviction of a fourth or greater offense, the offender is to be imprisoned at hard labor for between ten and 30 years.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a fine of \$5,000.

Present law provides that the offender's vehicle may be seized and sold pursuant to present law.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the state will pay the costs of substance abuse treatment.

Proposed law provides that the state will pay the costs of substance abuse treatment only on third and subsequent DWI convictions, except where imposed as a condition of probation.

Proposed law provides that for felony DWI violations, the mandatory minimum sentence imposed by the court cannot be served on home incarceration unless either DPSC recommends home incarceration and specific conditions of that home incarceration, or the district attorney recommends home incarceration.

Present law provides that except as otherwise provided by present law, on a misdemeanor DWI violation or on a felony DWI violation after the offender has served the mandatory minimum sentence, the court may sentence the offender to home incarceration. Present law further provides that when the court sentences an offender to home incarceration, the offender is subject to special conditions to be determined by the court, including electronic monitoring, curfew restrictions, obtaining employment, and participation in a court-approved driver improvement program.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the court may also order nonelectronic monitored home incarceration as a condition of probation for a first or second conviction where the period of home incarceration is less than five days.

Present law provides that the activities of the offender outside of his home are to be limited to traveling to and from work, church services, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings, and a court-approved driver improvement program.

Proposed law retains present law and adds Narcotics Anonymous meetings and other secular-based addiction recovery group meetings, accredited educational institutions, meetings with a probation or parole officer, court-ordered community service activities, and court-ordered substance abuse treatments to the list of approved activities outside the home during the period of home incarceration.

Proposed law provides that an offender who has been convicted of any second violation of any state or local law or ordinance prohibiting operating a vehicle while intoxicated, committed within five years of the commission of any prior DWI violation, is not eligible for home incarceration until the offender has first served a minimum of 48 consecutive hours of imprisonment.

Present law provides that when the offender is on probation for a third or subsequent offense, or on a second offense with home incarceration, a home visitation is to be conducted at least once per month by DPSC for the first six months, and after the first six months, the level of supervision is to be determined based upon a risk assessment instrument.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that an offender who is ordered to install an ignition interlock device as a condition of probation cannot operate, rent, lease, or borrow a motor vehicle unless that vehicle is equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device, or request another person to blow into an ignition interlock device or to start a vehicle equipped with the device to provide an operable vehicle.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the condition that the offender cannot violate the conditions of his restricted driver's license as set by DPSC.

Proposed law provides that if the court imposes the use of an ignition interlock device as a condition of probation, the offender must provide proof of compliance to the court or the probation officer within 30 days, or the court is to revoke the offender's probation.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law defines "community service activities" to include participation in a litter abatement or collection program and duty in any morgue, coroner's office, or emergency treatment room of a state-operated hospital or other state-operated emergency treatment facility, with the consent of the administrator of the morgue, coroner's office, hospital, or facility.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that an offender who participates in a litter abatement or collection program has no cause of action for damages against the entity conducting the program or supervising the offender's participation therein, nor against any official, employee, or agent of such entity, for any injury or loss suffered during his participation in the program, if such injury is a direct result of the lack of supervision or act or omission of the supervisor, unless the injury or loss was caused by the intentional or grossly negligent act or omission of the entity or its official, employee, or agent.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law defines the crime of underage operating while intoxicated (underage DWI) as the operating of any motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, vessel, or other means of conveyance when the operator's BAC is 0.02 percent or more, if the operator is under the age of 21.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that if the offender's BAC is 0.08 percent or more, he is to be charged under present law relative to DWI rather than underage DWI.

Present law provides that on a first conviction of underage DWI the offender is to be fined between \$100 and \$250 and participate in a court-approved substance abuse and driver improvement program.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a term of imprisonment of between ten days and three months, which sentence can be suspended if the offender performs 32 hours of community service and participates in a court-approved substance abuse and driver education program.

Present law provides that on a second or subsequent conviction of underage DWI the offender is to be fined between \$150 and \$500 and imprisoned for between ten days and three months, which sentence can be suspended if the offender performs ten eight-hour days of community service and participates in a substance abuse and driver improvement program.

Proposed law increases the minimum fine from \$150 to \$250 and increases the minimum term of imprisonment from ten days to 30 days and increases the maximum sentence from three months to six months, which sentence can be suspended if the offender is placed on probation with the minimum conditions that he serve 48 hours in jail or perform at least 80 hours of community service, participate in a driver improvement program, and participate in a substance abuse program, which is to include a screening procedure to determine the portions of the program that may be applicable to an individual offender.

Proposed law adds that the court may sentence an offender to home incarceration for underage DWI and that the court may order the offender to install an ignition interlock device on his vehicle.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

Present law provides relative to the crime of refusal to submit to chemical tests, and provides that no person under arrest for DWI or any other similar law or ordinance may refuse to submit to a chemical test when requested to do so by a law enforcement officer, if he has refused to submit to such test on two previous and separate occasions of any such violation.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that whoever violates the provisions of present law is to be fined between \$300 and \$1,000 and imprisoned for between ten days and six months, which sentence can be suspended only if the offender is either placed on probation with the minimum conditions that he serve two days in jail and participate in substance abuse and driver improvement programs, or perform 32 hours of community service and participate in substance abuse and driver improvement programs.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides relative to the crime of operating a vehicle while under suspension for certain prior offenses, and provides that it is unlawful to operate a motor vehicle on a public highway where the operator's driving privileges have been suspended under the authority of certain provisions of present law, unless the person is operating the vehicle to obtain emergency medical care for himself or any other person.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that whoever violates the provisions of present law is to be imprisoned for between 15 days and six months without benefit of suspension of imposition or execution

of sentence, except that when the operator's driving privileges were suspended for manslaughter, vehicular homicide, or negligent homicide, the offender is to be imprisoned for between 60 days and six months without benefit of suspension of imposition or execution of sentence.

Proposed law retains present law.

Effective January 1, 2015.

(Amends R.S. 14:98, 98.1, 98.2, and 98.3; adds R.S. 14:98.4, 98.5, 98.6, 98.7, and 98.8)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Adds screening procedure to determine applicability of substance abuse treatment programs to individual underage offenders.