Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 639

BY REPRESENTATIVE CONNICK

SEX OFFENSE/REGISTRY: Amends the definition of criminal offense against a victim who is a minor to include certain felony convictions of stalking

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 15:541(12)(d) and to enact R.S. 15:541(12)(e), relative to
3	registration and notification requirements of sex offenders and child predators; to
4	amend the definition of criminal offense against a victim who is a minor; to require
5	persons convicted of certain stalking offenses to register and provide notification; to
6	provide for application; and to provide for related matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 15:541(12)(d) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
9	15:541(12)(e) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§541. Definitions
11	For the purposes of this Chapter, the definitions of terms in this Section shall
12	apply:
13	* * *
14	(12) "Criminal offense against a victim who is a minor" for the purposes of
15	this Chapter means conviction for the perpetration or attempted perpetration of or
16	conspiracy to commit any of the following offenses:
17	* * *
18	(d) <u>A violation of R.S. 14:40.2, punishable by imprisonment at hard</u>
19	labor, when the victim is under eighteen years of age and the defendant is not
20	the parent of the victim.

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1	(e) Any conviction for an offense under the laws of another state, or
2	military, territorial, foreign, tribal, or federal law which is equivalent to the
3	offenses listed in Subparagraphs (a) , (b), and (c) through (d) of this
4	Paragraph.
5	* * *
6	Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall apply to any person who is convicted or
7	who is in the custody or under the supervision of the Department of Public Safety and
8	Corrections on or after the effective date of this Act.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Adds persons convicted of certain felony offenses involving stalking to the list of persons who are required to register and provide notification as a sex offender or child predator.

<u>Present law</u> provides that persons convicted of certain sex offenses or certain criminal offenses against a victim who is a minor are required to register and provide notification.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a definition of "criminal offense against a victim who is a minor" and provides that such persons are required to register for a period of 15 years and update registration in person annually from the date of initial registration.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds persons convicted of the crime of stalking, punishable by imprisonment at hard labor, against a person under the age of 18 to the definition of "criminal offense against a victim who is a minor".

Provides that the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> apply to any person who is convicted or who is in the custody or under the supervision of DPS&C on or after the effective date of <u>proposed law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 15:541(12)(d); Adds R.S. 15:541(12)(e))

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal</u> <u>Justice</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

1. Amended <u>proposed law</u> to provide that the addition of persons convicted of the crime of stalking against a person under the age of 18 to the definition of "criminal offense against a victim who is a minor" shall only apply to persons who are imprisoned at hard labor.