Connick HB No. 639

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

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

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## **DIGEST**

<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 with a felony conviction for 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 an exception from the definition for a defendant who is a parent of the victim and for a defendant who is not more than four years older than the victim and is convicted of stalking as defined under <u>present law</u> without certain specific aggravating circumstances.

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))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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.

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the engrossed bill

- 1. Clarifies that <u>proposed law</u> definition only includes felony violations of the stalking statute.
- 2. Adds an exception from definition for defendants who are less than four years older than their victim and whose conviction does not include aggravating circumstances.