

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

House Bill No. 495 by Representative Adams

**FIRE PROTECT/FIRE MARSHAL:** Provides relative to the authority to investigate and make arrests for certain crimes

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Made technical changes.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Present law provides for specific offenses for which a fire marshal, the first assistant fire marshal, each deputy fire marshal, certified local authorities, and state or municipal arson investigators, while engaged in the performance of their duties, are authorized to investigate and make arrests.

Present law provides for the crime of simple arson.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the crime of simple arson of a religious building to the list of offenses.

(Amends R.S. 40:1563.1(A)(3) and (4))