

ACT No. 125

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 252

BY REPRESENTATIVE CONNICK

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 611(B) and to enact Code of
3 Criminal Procedure Article 611(D), relative to venue for the prosecution of certain
4 crimes; to provide for venue for the prosecution of crimes involving the death of a
5 human being and for the crimes of obstruction of justice and accessory after the fact;
6 and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 611(B) is hereby amended and
9 reenacted and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 611(D) is hereby enacted to read as
10 follows:

11 Art. 611. Venue; trial where offense committed

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13 B. If the offender is charged with ~~the crime of first or second degree murder~~
14 any criminal homicide enumerated in R.S. 14:29 or any other crime involving the
15 death of a human being and it cannot be determined where the offense or the
16 elements of the offense occurred, the offense is deemed to have been committed in
17 the parish where the body of the victim was found.

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19 D.(1) If the offender is charged with the crime of accessory after the fact, the
20 offense is deemed to have been committed either in the parish where the principal
21 felony was committed or in the parish where any act or element constituting the basis
22 for the accessory after the fact prosecution occurred.

1 (2) If the offender is charged with the crime of obstruction of justice, the
2 offense is deemed to have been committed either in the parish of the underlying
3 actual or potential present, past, or future criminal proceeding or investigation or in
4 the parish where any act or element constituting the basis for the obstruction of
5 justice prosecution occurred.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____