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DIGEST

Jackson (SB 249)

Present law limits punishment for the crime of home improvement fraud to a fine of up to \$1,000.00 and imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. Restitution is optional with the court.

Proposed law increases the punishment for the crime of home improvement fraud to a fine of up to \$10,000.00 and imprisonment for not more than five years or both. Restitution is mandatory. For subsequent offenses, the maximum fine is increased from \$10,000.00 to \$20,000.00, and the maximum period of imprisonment with or without hard labor, is increased from five years to ten years.

Effective August 15, 2009.

(Amends R.S. 14:202.1 (D) and (E))