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DIGEST

Present law provides for multiple violations relative to the La. Underground Utilities and Facilities Damage Prevention Law committed by excavators and demolishers.

1. For a second violation of a similar nature within a two-year period from the previous violation, a civil penalty of not more than \$500.
2. For a third violation of a similar nature within a two-year period from a previous violation, a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000.
3. For a fourth and each subsequent violation of a similar nature within a two-year period from the previous violation, a civil penalty of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$25,000.

Proposed law retains present law but reduces the time periods for escalation of monetary fines from two years to one year for violations occurring within the jurisdiction of the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:1749.20(B)(2), (3) and (4))