
DIGEST

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HB No. 113

Abstract: Creates a resident and nonresident subclassification of fireworks retailer and increases the maximum criminal fine for operating without a permit.

Proposed law defines "resident" as any person who has been domiciled in La. for a period of at least 12 months immediately preceding the date of application for the permit and who has not claimed residence in any other state for any other purpose.

Present law establishes the permit fees for manufacturers, assemblers, distributors, importers, jobbers, and retailers of fireworks.

Proposed law retains present law but divides the retailer permit classification into resident and nonresident permits.

Present law provides that the permit fee for retailers is \$100.

Proposed law provides that the permit fee for resident retailers is \$100, and the permit fee for nonresident retailers is \$800.

Present law provides that a manufacturer, assembler, distributor, importer, jobber, or retailer operating without a proper permit shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

Proposed law increases the maximum fine to \$10,000.

(Amends R.S. 51:656(C)(1)(f) and 658(B); Adds R.S. 51:650(13))