

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 395

BY REPRESENTATIVE ALFRED WILLIAMS

COURTS: Provides relative to penalties for contempt of court

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:4611(1)(d), relative to penalties for contempt of court; to
3 provide for alternative penalties; to provide for the penalty of court-approved litter
4 abatement or community service; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:4611(1)(d) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §4611. Punishment for contempt of court

8 Except as otherwise provided for by law:

9 (1) The supreme court, the courts of appeal, the district courts, family courts,
10 juvenile courts and the city courts may punish a person adjudged guilty of a
11 contempt of court therein, as follows:

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13 (d)(i) For any other contempt of court, including disobeying an order for the
14 payment of child support or spousal support or an order for the right of custody or
15 visitation, by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisonment for not
16 more than three months, or both.

17 (ii) In addition to or in lieu of the penalties provided by this Paragraph, the
18 court may order that the person perform litter abatement work or community service
19 in a court-approved program for each day he was to be imprisoned, provided that the

