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Abstract: Provides relative to the sentencing of persons convicted of an offense after having been previously convicted of an offense.

<u>Present law</u> provides specific penalty provisions for any person who, after having been convicted of a felony offense, thereafter commits any subsequent felony within this state.

<u>Present law</u> provides that if more than ten years have elapsed between the date of the commission of the current offense and the expiration of the maximum sentence or sentences of the previous conviction or convictions, the current offense shall not be counted as a "subsequent" offense for purposes of this law.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to provide that the specific penalty provisions provided in <u>present law</u> shall only apply to any person, who after having been convicted of a felony offense, thereafter subsequently commits certain felony offenses within this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> further amends <u>present law</u> to provide that the current offense shall not be counted as a "subsequent" offense for purposes of this law if sufficient time has elapsed between the date of the commission of the current offense and the expiration of the maximum sentence or sentences of the previous conviction or convictions.

(Amends R.S. 15:529.1(A)(intro. para.) and (C))