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Abstract: Provides for increased penalties for unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system.

<u>Present law</u> provides the penalty for a first conviction of unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system is a fine of up to \$500, imprisonment for up to six months, or both.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the penalty for a first conviction to a fine between \$1,000 and \$5,000, imprisonment for up to two years, or both.

<u>Present law</u> provides the penalty for a second or subsequent conviction of an unmanned aircraft system is a fine of between \$500 to \$2,000, imprisonment of six months to one year, or both.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the penalty for second and subsequent convictions to a fine between \$1,500 and \$20,000, imprisonment of between one year and five years, or both.

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

(Amends R.S. 14:337(E)(1) and (2))