

ACT No. 736

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 568

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONDS AND VILLIO

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:67.5(A)(3) and (C), relative to misappropriation without violence; to
3 provide relative to adoption deception; to provide relative to elements of the offense;
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:67.5(A)(3) and (C) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §67.5. Adoption deception

8 A. Any person who is a birth mother, or who holds herself out to be a birth
9 mother, who is interested in making an adoption plan and who knowingly or
10 intentionally benefits from payment of adoption-related expenses in connection with
11 that adoption plan commits adoption deception if any of the following occur:

12 * * *

13 (3) The person has the specific intent to make false representations to induce
14 the payment of living expenses or other benefits in connection with a purported
15 adoption placement.

16 * * *

17 C. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to a person who agrees to
18 an adoption plan agreement and subsequently, in good faith, declines to proceed with
19 the prospective adoption in favor of parenting the child.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____