## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to penalties for residential contractor fraud.

Present law provides for the crime of residential contractor fraud and provides for penalties.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if the victim is 65 years of age or older and the offender's conduct causes emotional or mental suffering, the offender, in addition to any other penalties imposed pursuant to <u>present law</u>, shall be imprisoned with or without hard labor for not more than five years.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that nothing in <u>present law</u> shall preclude a victim from pursuing civil remedies pursuant to <u>present law</u> (R.S. 9:4856) or any other applicable provision of law.

(Amends R.S. 14:202.1(D); Adds R.S. 14:202.1(E) and (F))