## **DIGEST**

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HB 58 Reengrossed

2024 Regular Session

Bacala

**Abstract:** Provides relative to the elements and penalties of simple burglary.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the offense of simple burglary and provides for elements of the offense as well as penalties.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that an alternative element of simple burglary is the unauthorized entering of any dwelling or other structure with the intent to temporarily or permanently deprive the owner, lessee, or tenant of full use of the dwelling or structure, or to temporarily or permanently assert any right of ownership or use of such property.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that in addition to the penalties provided in <u>present law</u>, an offender shall be liable for any damage that has resulted from a violation of <u>proposed law</u>.

Proposed law shall be cited and referred to as "The Louisiana Squatter Prevention Act".

(Amends R.S. 14:62(A); Adds R.S. 14:62(C))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

## The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Make technical changes.
- 2. Establish liability for a person who violates <u>proposed law</u> and causes damage as a result of such violation.
- 3. Designate proposed law as "The La. Squatter Prevention Act".