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HOUSE BILL NO. 423

BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR

CRIME: Provides relative to establishing statewide parade safety standards and require rider accountability

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 14:39.3 relative to parade safety standards; to direct the Department of Public
3 Safety and Corrections to adopt rules ensuring safety at parades; to provide for
4 incident reports; to provide for identification of parade participants; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 14:39.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §39.3. Parade safety standards

9 A. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall promulgate rules
10 and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to ensure all
11 of the following public safety measures are met at all permitted parades:

- 12 (1) To prohibit glass bottles on parade floats.
- 13 (2) To prohibit discriminatory items and items that convey discriminatory
14 messages.
- 15 (3) To prohibit throwing items with obscene words or symbols.
- 16 (4) To establish float rider safety briefings, which shall be provided to each
17 person riding on a parade float.
- 18 (5) To provide for incident reporting procedures when any of the rules
19 established pursuant to this Section are violated.

1 B. Each organization hosting or conducting a parade shall maintain a list of
2 names of every person riding on a parade float or otherwise participating in a parade
3 procession for the purposes of identification following an incident report made
4 pursuant to this Section.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) to adopt safety standards for parade participants.

Proposed law directs the DPS&C to prohibit certain items and behaviors from parade participants.

Proposed law directs the DPS&C to establish rider safety briefings and provide for incident reporting procedures.

Proposed law requires each organization conducting a parade to maintain a list of people riding on a parade float for purposes of identification following an incident report.

(Adds R.S. 14:39.3)