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HB 51 Reengrossed

2026 Regular Session

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Abstract: Prohibits post-conviction bail for a defendant who is convicted of an aggravated offense against a victim who is a minor.

Present constitution provides for the right to bail.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that a person convicted of an aggravated offense, as defined by present law (R.S. 15:541), against a minor is not eligible for any post-conviction bail.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 3, 2026.

(Amends Const. Art. I, §18(A); Adds Const. Art. I, §18(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the engrossed bill:

1. Revise the ballot language.