

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 275

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD AND SENATORS ABRAHAM, BARROW, AND  
HODGES

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:34.9(I) and 35.3(I), relative to battery of a dating partner and  
3 domestic abuse battery; to provide for penalties when a child is present; and to  
4 provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 14:34.9(I) and 35.3(I) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
7 follows:

8 §34.9. Battery of a dating partner

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10 I. This Subsection shall be cited as the "Dating Partner Abuse Child  
11 Endangerment Law". Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, when  
12 the state proves, in addition to the elements of the crime as set forth in Subsection  
13 A of this Section, that a minor child thirteen years of age or younger was present at  
14 the residence or any other scene at the time of the commission of the offense, the  
15 offender, in addition to any other penalties imposed pursuant to this Section, shall  
16 be imprisoned ~~at hard labor for not more than three years.~~ as follows:

17 (1) For a first offense, not less than one year nor more than three years at  
18 hard labor.

19 (2) For a second or subsequent offense, not less than three years nor more  
20 than six years at hard labor.

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