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## DIGEST

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HB 1259 Engrossed

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Bayham

**Abstract:** Provides enhanced penalties for felonies committed while wearing a mask.

Proposed law provides that anyone who wears a mask with the intent to evade identification when committing a felony or other offense described in present law (R.S. 14:329.7) is subject to up to two additional years of imprisonment with or without hard labor.

Proposed law does not apply to the exempted persons and activities in present law (R.S. 14:313(C)), including but not limited to masquerade balls, religious head coverings, persons driving or riding a motorcycle, and persons wearing a helmet or mask for medical purposes.

(Adds R.S. 14:313.2)