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<u>Existing law</u> defines "racketeering activity" by enumerating various crimes which can be prosecuted as a pattern of racketeering activity if at least two incidents of the crimes occur.

<u>Existing law</u> provides for increased criminal penalties for convictions of racketeering and also provides for the seizure of property used in or derived from the racketeering activity.

<u>New law</u> adds the following to the definition of racketeering activity: female genital mutilation, aggravated kidnapping of a child, human trafficking, trafficking of children for sexual purposes, bigamy, abetting in bigamy, and the sale of minor children.

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(Amends R.S. 15:1352(A))