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Wesley Bishop HB No. 1171

Abstract: Provides for a five-year cleansing period which prohibits using a prior conviction for possession of marijuana for enhanced penalty purposes if more than five years have elapsed since the last conviction.

<u>Present law</u> provides for penalties for the possession of marijuana and synthetic cannabinoids.

Present law provides for enhanced penalties for second and subsequent offenses.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits using a prior conviction for enhanced penalty purposes if more than five years have elapsed since the last conviction.

(Adds R.S. 40:966(E)(6))