AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:108(B)(1)(e), relative to the crime of resisting an officer; to add the knowing interference with a police cordon to the definition of "obstruction of" an officer; to provide additional definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:108(B)(1)(e) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§108. Resisting an officer

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B.(1) The phrase "obstruction of" as used herein shall, in addition to its common meaning, signification, and connotation mean the following:

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(e) Knowing interference with a police cordon resulting from the intentional crossing or traversing of a police cordon by an unauthorized person or an unmanned aircraft system (UAS). The cordoned area includes the airspace above the cordoned area.

(i) For purposes of this Subparagraph, "police cordon" means any impediment or structure erected or established by an officer for crowd or traffic control, or to prevent or obstruct the passage of a person at the scene of a crime or investigation.

(ii) "Impediment or structure" includes but is not limited to crime scene tape, rope, cable, wire or metal barricades, or the posting of uniformed officers or other personnel otherwise identifiable as law enforcement officers.

(iii) "Unmanned aircraft system" shall have the same meaning as provided by R.S. 14:337(B).
(iv) If the flight of a UAS into the cordoned area endangers the public or
an officer's safety, law enforcement personnel or fire department personnel are
authorized to disable the UAS.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____________