## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Reduces the maximum term of imprisonment for armed robbery <u>from</u> 99 years <u>to</u> 40 years, and removes the provision requiring the sentence to be served without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence.

<u>Present law</u> defines armed robbery as the taking of anything of value belonging to another from the person of another or that is in the immediate control of another, by use of force or intimidation, while armed with a dangerous weapon. Provides for criminal penalties of imprisonment at hard labor for not less than ten years and for not more than 99 years, without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

<u>Proposed law</u> reduces the maximum term of imprisonment for armed robbery <u>from</u> 99 years <u>to</u> 40 years, and removes the requirement that the sentence be served without benefit of probation, parole, or suspension of sentence.

Present law prohibits persons convicted of armed robbery from being considered for parole.

Proposed law deletes present law.

(Amends R.S. 14:64(B) and R.S. 15:574.4(B)(1))