DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates the "Louisiana Firearm Safety Awareness Act" and provides for an online handgun education course.

Proposed law shall be known and cited as the "Louisiana Firearm Safety Awareness Act".

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the DPS&C, office of state police, shall provide a two-hour online handgun education course at no cost to La. residents.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the purpose of the online education course, and provides that the course is optional and shall not be a requirement for obtaining a concealed handgun permit under <u>present</u> law (R.S. 40:1379.3).

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that completion of the online education course shall not grant any person the right to carry a concealed handgun unless otherwise provided by law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the online handgun education course shall cover all of the following topics:

- (1) Handgun basics and nomenclature.
- (2) Firearm-free zones.
- (3) Use of deadly force.
- (4) Interactions with law enforcement officers.
- (5) Conflict resolution.
- (6) Accident prevention.
- (7) Unauthorized access prevention.
- (8) Safe handling of a handgun.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that state police shall maintain an online database of all licensed handgun and firearm instructors to allow the public to search for classes.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the content, structure, accessibility, and all other related matters of the online handgun education shall be developed and promulgated by the DPS&C, office of state police, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Administrative Procedure Act.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the DPS&C, office of state police, shall divide the topics provided in <u>proposed law</u> into eight video segments that shall broadcast for no less than 15 minutes per segment.

(Adds R.S. 40:1379.3.3)