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HB 85 Engrossed

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Abstract: Creates the crime of approaching a law enforcement officer who is lawfully engaged in his law enforcement duties and provides for penalties.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no person shall knowingly or intentionally approach within 25 feet of a law enforcement officer who is lawfully engaged in the execution of his official duties after the law enforcement officer has ordered a person to stop approaching or to retreat.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "law enforcement officer" as any commissioned police officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, correctional officer, probation and parole officer, constable, wildlife enforcement agent, or state park warden.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for a fine of not more than \$500, imprisonment for not more than 60 days, or both.

(Adds R.S. 14:109)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Administration of Criminal</u> Justice to the original bill:

1. Provide that the law enforcement officer can order the person to stop approaching <u>or</u> to retreat.