2024 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 5

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

CRIME: Designates the crime of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities as a crime of violence (Item #8)

| 1 | AN ACT |
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| 2 | To enact R.S. 14:2(B)(61), relative to crimes of violence; to designate the crime of illegal |
| 3 | use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities as a crime of violence; and to provide |
| 4 | for related matters. |
| 5 | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: |
| 6 | Section 1. R.S. 14:2(B)(61) is hereby enacted to read as follows: |
| 7 | §2. Definitions |
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| 9 | B. In this Code, "crime of violence" means an offense that has, as an |
| 10 | element, the use, attempted use, or threatened use of physical force against the |
| 11 | person or property of another, and that, by its very nature, involves a substantial risk |
| 12 | that physical force against the person or property of another may be used in the |
| 13 | course of committing the offense or an offense that involves the possession or use |
| 14 | of a dangerous weapon. The following enumerated offenses and attempts to commit |
| 15 | any of them are included as "crimes of violence": |
| 16 | * * * |
| 17 | (61) Illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities. |
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Abstract: Designates the crime of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities as a crime of violence.

Present law provides for a list of offenses designated as crimes of violence.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the offense of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities.

(Adds R.S. 14:2(B)(61))