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Abstract: Adds "cruelty to persons with infirmities" to the list of crimes which, when committed during a homicide, result in first or second degree murder.

<u>Present law</u> provides that first degree murder is when an offender has specific intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm and is engaged in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of certain crimes.

Proposed law adds "cruelty to persons with infirmities" to that list of crimes.

<u>Present law</u> provides that second degree murder is the killing of a human being when the offender is engaged in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of certain crimes, even when the offender has no intent to kill or inflict great bodily harm.

Proposed law adds "cruelty to persons with infirmities" to that list of crimes.

(Amends R.S. 14:30(A)(1) and 30.1(A)(2))