
DIGEST

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HB 132 Engrossed

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Abstract: Adds to the definition of battery regarding the intentional directing of sound and provides an enhanced penalty when such battery of a police officer is committed by more than one person.

Present law provides for the crime and penalty of battery.

Proposed law adds to the definition of "battery" the "directing of sound" when the sound is capable of causing physical pain, hearing impairment, or bodily injury.

Proposed law provides that when battery of a police officer is committed by two or more persons acting together, the offender shall be fined up to \$2,000 and imprisoned at hard labor from one to five years.

Proposed law provides that when battery of a police officer is committed by two or more persons acting together and it causes injury requiring medical attention, the offender shall be fined up to \$5,000 and imprisoned at hard labor from two to seven years.

(Amends R.S. 14:33; Adds R.S. 14: 34.2(B)(4) and (D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Move the language regarding the intentional directing of sound from R.S. 14:34.2 (Battery of a police officer) to R.S. 14:33 (Battery defined).
2. Make technical changes.