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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to  
Original House Bill No. 426 by Representative Phelps

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 14:107.3(B)" to "R.S. 14:107.3(B) and (C)(1) through (3)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 3, after "culpability;" and before "and" insert "to provide relative to  
5 penalties;"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, line 5, change "R.S. 14:107.3(B) is" to "R.S. 14:107.3(B) and (C)(1) through (3)  
8 are"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 1, after line 15, add the following:

11 "C.(1) On a first conviction, the offender shall be fined not more than five  
12 hundred dollars per violation. Imposition of a fine may be suspended and in lieu  
13 thereof, the court may require the offender, or any person managing or operating the  
14 property on behalf of the offender, to correct all existing housing violations on the  
15 blighted property within a timely manner determined by the court.

16 (2) On a second conviction, or if the offender fails to correct violations after  
17 ordered to do so by the court, the offender shall be fined not more than one thousand  
18 dollars per violation and imprisoned for not more than six months. Additionally, the  
19 court shall require that the offender, or any person managing or operating the  
20 property on behalf of the offender, correct all existing housing violations on the  
21 blighted property.

22 (3) On any third or subsequent conviction, or if the offender fails to correct  
23 all violations after a second conviction, the offender, or any person managing or  
24 operating the property on behalf of the offender, shall be fined not more than two  
25 thousand dollars per violation and imprisoned for not more than one year, with or  
26 without hard labor.

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