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## DIGEST

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HB No. 616

**Abstract:** Creates the crime of filing a false lien against a law enforcement or court officer.

Proposed law creates the crime of filing a false lien against a law enforcement or court officer which occurs when a person files in any public records, or in any private record which is generally available to the public, any false lien or encumbrance against the real or personal property of a law enforcement officer or court officer, as retaliation against the officer for the performance of his official duties, knowing or having reason to know that such lien or encumbrance is false or contains any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation.

Proposed law defines "court officer" and "law enforcement officer".

Proposed law provides for the following penalties for this crime:

- (1) A fine of not less than \$500 nor more than the amount of the value of the lien or encumbrance.
- (2) Imprisonment for not more than two years.
- (3) Both fine and imprisonment.

Proposed law authorizes the court to order the offender to pay restitution to the law enforcement officer or court officer for any costs incurred as a result of the false lien or encumbrance.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 14:133.6)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

#### House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Added provision which authorizes the court to order the offender to pay restitution to the law enforcement officer or court officer for any costs incurred as a result of the false lien or encumbrance.