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## DIGEST

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Pylant

HB No. 781

**Abstract:** Provides relative to the administration of multiple chemical tests for suspected drunken drivers and persons under arrest for offenses involving the operation of a vehicle while intoxicated.

Present law provides that when a law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that a person has operated a vehicle while intoxicated, that person may not refuse to submit to a chemical test if he has refused to submit to such test on two previous and separate occasions of any previous such violation or in any case wherein a fatality has occurred or a person has sustained serious bodily injury.

Present law further provides that when a person is under arrest for a violation of operating a vehicle while intoxicated, that person may refuse to submit to a chemical test, after being advised of the consequences of his refusal.

Proposed law authorizes the administration of an additional blood test for suspected drunken drivers. Provides that a refusal of such test or tests shall result in the suspension of driving privileges.

(Amends R.S. 32:666(A)(1)(a)(i), (2)(intro. para.), and (3))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Amended provision relative to the administration of additional chemical tests to exclude urine tests.

### House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Added language to amend present law provisions regarding a person's refusal to submit to a chemical test when that person has been arrested for an offense involving operation of a vehicle while intoxicated.