



1           ~~(3)~~ The communication is made through the counsel of the offender,  
2           counsel's staff or representative, or the offender himself if he is representing himself  
3           at trial.

4           C. A person who has been sentenced for a crime of violence as defined in  
5           R.S. 14:2, or any immediate family member of such person, shall be prohibited from  
6           communicating, either by electronic communication, in writing, or orally, with a  
7           victim of the offense, or any of his immediate family members, for which the person  
8           has been sentenced unless the victim or his immediate family members initiate the  
9           communication through the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, and it is  
10          agreed that the victim and the offender participate in a formally defined restorative  
11          justice program administered through the department.

12          ~~C.D.~~ For purposes of this Section, "immediate family member" means the  
13          spouse, mother, father, aunt, uncle, sibling, or child of the offender, whether related  
14          by blood, marriage, or adoption.

15          ~~D.E.~~ Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall be fined not more  
16          than five hundred dollars, imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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