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DIGEST

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SB No. 623

Present law provides that public officials and officers and public agencies, including but not limited to all law enforcement agencies, sheriffs, district attorneys, judicial officers, clerks of court, the Crime Victims Reparations Board, and the Dept. of Children and Family Services or any division thereof, cannot publicly disclose the name, address, or identity of victims who are minors and victims of certain sex offenses.

Present law (R.S. 46:1844(W)(2)) provides for a list of specific offenses which are included in the definition of "sex offense" for purposes of protecting the identity of the victims of such offenses pursuant to present law.

Present law (R.S. 15:541(24)) provides for a list of offenses which are included in the definition of "sex offense" for purposes of present law sex offender registration and notification requirements.

Proposed law amends the present law (R.S. 46:1844(W)(2)) definition of "sex offense" for purposes of protecting the identity of the victims of such offenses to include obscenity, misdemeanor carnal knowledge of a juvenile, and all offenses listed in the present law (R.S. 15:541(24)) definition of "sex offense" for purposes of sex offender registration and notification requirements.

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

(Amends R.S. 46:1844(W)(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Amended the definition of "sex offense" to include additional offenses.