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## DIGEST

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HB No. 349

**Abstract:** Provides the court with discretion in imposing a sentence of imprisonment for the crime of simple escape from a work release program and removes the prohibition against that sentence running concurrently with any other sentence.

Present law defines the crime of simple escape and provides that if a person who is participating in a work release program commits the crime of simple escape, the court shall sentence the person to imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than one year.

Present law further prohibits that sentence from running concurrently to any other sentence imposed.

Proposed law amends present law by providing the court with discretion as to whether to impose a sentence of imprisonment and by removing the provision which prohibits any sentence imposed for the simple escape from a work release program from running concurrently to any other sentence imposed.

(Amends R.S. 14:110(B)(1))