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Thompson (SB 388)

<u>Present law</u> provides for the definition of "offense involving arson", which includes the following offenses:

- (1) Aggravated arson (R.S. 14:51).
- (2) Simple arson (R.S. 14:52).
- (3) Simple arson of a religious building (R.S. 14:52.1).
- (4) Arson with intent to defraud (R.S. 14:53).
- (5) Communicating of false information of planned arson (R.S. 14:54.1).
- (6) Manufacture and possession of delayed action incendiary devices (R.S. 14:54.2).
- (7) Manufacture and possession of a bomb (R.S. 14:54.3).
- (8) Fake explosive device (R.S. 14:54.5).

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the offense of injury by arson (R.S. 14:51.1) to the definition.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the state fire marshal to promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of the arson registry.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the state fire marshal to appoint a designee to fulfill his responsibilities under the arson registry requirements.

<u>Present law</u> requires a person to register with the state fire marshal for a period of five years for a first offense.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the duration requirement for registration <u>from</u> five years <u>to</u> 10 years from the date of initial registration for a first offense.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 15:562.2(intro para), 562.3(B)(2), 562.4(A)(intro para), and 562.6; adds R.S. 15:562.1(3)(i) and 562.2(B))