SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 351 By Senator Thompson

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

CRIMINAL JUSTICE. Provides for burn injury reports. (81/14)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Technical amendments only.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

<u>Present law</u> requires that every burn injury in which the victim sustains second or third degree burns to five percent or more of the body, or any burns to the upper respiratory tract or laryngeal edema due to the inhalation of super-heated air, and every case of a burn injury that is likely to result in death must be reported to the office of state fire marshal, code enforcement and building safety.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> requires that the office of state fire marshal, code enforcement and building safety, immediately notify the appropriate local or state investigatory agency or law enforcement agency of the receipt of the report and its contents.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the reporting requirement of <u>present law</u> from mandatory <u>to</u> discretionary. <u>Proposed law</u> otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> requires that an oral report be made within 24 hours of the examination and treatment of the burn victim. <u>Present law</u> further provides that the report may be recorded electronically or in any other suitable manner by the office of state fire marshal, code enforcement and building safety.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes the <u>present law</u> requirement that the report be oral, and changes the reporting time <u>from</u> 24 hours <u>to</u> two hours. <u>Proposed law</u> further deletes specific reference to "code enforcement and building safety" from <u>present law</u>. <u>Proposed law</u> otherwise retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the office of state fire marshal, code enforcement and building safety, may adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary in carrying out the provisions of present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes specific reference to "code enforcement and building safety" from <u>present law</u>. <u>Proposed law</u> otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

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(Amends R.S. 14:403.4(B), (C)(1), and (D)(2))

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