## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Prohibits the possession of firearms by persons convicted of crimes of violence unless the offender obtains a certain type of pardon.

<u>Present law</u> provides that it is unlawful for persons convicted of crimes of violence, sex offenses, felony drug offenses and certain enumerated felonies to possess a firearm or carry a concealed weapon.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a 10-year cleansing period without subsequent conviction to restore the right to possess a firearm.

<u>Proposed law</u> excludes crimes of violence from the 10-year cleansing period and provides that persons convicted of a crime of violence shall not possess a firearm or carry a concealed weapon unless a governor's pardon expressly allows them to do so.

(Amends R.S. 14:95.1(C))