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HOUSE BILL NO. 226

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

CRIME: Increases the penalties for public bribery

1 AN ACT 2 To amend and reenact R.S. 14:118(C)(1), relative to offenses against organized government; 3 to provide relative to the penalties for public bribery; and to provide for related 4 matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 14:118(C)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 7 §118. Public bribery 8 9 C.(1) Whoever commits the crime of public bribery shall be fined not more 10 than one two thousand dollars, or imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not 11 more than five ten years, or both. 12

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Increases the penalties for public bribery.

Present law provides for the crime of public bribery.

Proposed law retains present law.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that whoever commits the crime of public bribery shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not more than five years, or both.

Proposed law changes the penalty to provide for a maximum fine of \$2,000.

<u>Proposed law</u> further changes the penalty of imprisonment, to be served with or without hard labor, <u>from</u> a maximum of five years <u>to</u> 10 years.

(Amends R.S. 14:118(C)(1))