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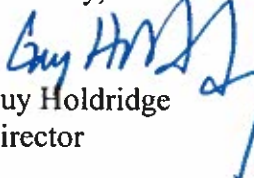
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**RE: HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 85 OF THE 2024 REGULAR
SESSION**

Dear Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

The Louisiana State Law Institute respectfully submits its report to the legislature relative to white collar crimes.

Sincerely,


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**REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE IN RESPONSE TO
HCR NO. 85 OF THE 2024 REGULAR SESSION**

Relative to white-collar and financial crimes and crimes involving elected officials

Prepared for the
Louisiana Legislature on

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2024 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 85

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to conduct a study of the criminal statutes relating to white-collar crimes, financial crimes, and crimes involving elected officials and provide recommendations to the legislature no later than thirty days before the convening of the 2025 Regular Session.

WHEREAS, white-collar crimes, financial crimes, and crimes involving elected officials are typically nonviolent offenses that involve deceit or concealment to gain a personal or business advantage; and

WHEREAS, white-collar crimes, financial crimes, and crimes involving elected officials undermine the public's trust in government when committed by public officials; and

WHEREAS, since its inception as a state, Louisiana has had numerous public officials accused or convicted of various white-collar offenses; and

WHEREAS, Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 contains a multitude of offenses involving white-collar crimes, financial crimes, and elected officials that include but are not limited to the Anti-Skimming Act (R.S. 14:67.4), bank fraud (R.S. 14:71.1), monetary instrument abuse (R.S. 14:72.2), public bribery (R.S. 14:118), malfeasance in office (R.S. 14:134), and money laundering (R.S. 14:230); and

WHEREAS, Subparts B, C, E, and F of Part VII of Chapter 1 of Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 also provide criminal statutes for offenses that involve bribery and intimidation, perjury, crimes affecting the judiciary, and official misconduct and corrupt practices; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 15:1351 et seq. provides for the Louisiana Racketeering Act and encompasses many crimes involving white-collar acts, financial violations, and the activities of elected officials within the definition of "racketeering activity"; and

WHEREAS, after numerous corporate financial scandals in the early 2000s, congress passed the Sarbanes-Oxley Act in 2002 with the aim of protecting investors from fraudulent financial reporting by corporations; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, both the founder and CEO of the Bayou Hedge Fund Group, Samuel Israel II and Daniel Marino, pled guilty to multiple conspiracy and fraud charges and, in addition to twenty years imprisonment, were ordered to forfeit three hundred million dollars; and

WHEREAS, also in 2005, the founder and CEO of WorldCom, Bernard Ebbers, was convicted of fraud, conspiracy, and filing false documents with regulators and was subsequently sentenced to twenty-five years imprisonment; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, both the founder and CEO of Enron, Kenneth Lay and Jefferey Skilling, were convicted of various white-collar offenses that included bank fraud, securities fraud, wire fraud, money laundering, and conspiracy; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Lay was sentenced to forty-five years imprisonment and Jefferey Skilling was sentenced to twenty-four years imprisonment with an order to pay six hundred thirty million dollars to the government along with a one hundred eighty million dollar fine; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, financier Bernie Madoff pled guilty to numerous fraud and money laundering charges and, in addition to receiving one hundred fifty years imprisonment, was ordered to forfeit over seventeen billion dollars for defrauding numerous clients in a sixty-five billion dollar Ponzi scheme; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, the founder of the cryptocurrency exchange company "FTX", Sam Bankman-Fried, was convicted of wire fraud, securities fraud, and money laundering, and sentenced to twenty-five years imprisonment and also ordered to forfeit over eleven billion dollars for engaging in a series of fraudulent actions against his customers and investors; and

WHEREAS, according to the United States Department of Justice's report to congress regarding the activities and operations of the department's public integrity section, the United States Attorney's offices within the Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of Louisiana have secured over three hundred public corruption convictions within the last ten years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to conduct a study of the criminal statutes relating to white-collar crimes, financial crimes, and crimes involving elected officials and provide recommendations to the legislature no later than thirty days before the convening of the 2025 Regular Session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana State Law Institute shall submit one print copy and one electronic copy of any report produced pursuant to this Resolution to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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**REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE
IN RESPONSE TO HCR NO. 85 OF THE 2024 REGULAR SESSION**

House Concurrent Resolution No. 85 of the 2024 Regular Session authorized and directed the Louisiana State Law Institute “to conduct a study of the criminal statutes relating to white collar crimes, financial crimes, and crimes involving elected officials.” In fulfillment of this request, the Law Institute assigned the project to its Criminal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure Committee, which operates under the direction of retired Judge Marilyn Castle as Reporter and is comprised of prosecutors, defense attorneys, judges of district and appellate courts, and representatives of several associations.

The Committee met to review and discuss the statutes specifically mentioned in the resolution, including R.S. 14:67.4, 71.1, 72.2, 118, 134, and 230 as well as Louisiana’s RICO provisions in R.S. 15:1351 et seq. The Committee also coordinated with legislative staff to produce a chart comparing Louisiana’s various white-collar crimes with their federal counterparts, specifically with respect to the applicable penalties being imposed. That chart is appended to this report.

The Committee could identify no significant disparities between state and federal law with respect to substantive crimes but found that some of the state and federal penalties do differ, although perhaps these distinctions are intentional. The Law Institute defers to the Legislature with respect to any adjustment to penalty provisions but cautions that complexities in this area of the law may result in unintended consequences if provisions are amended or even combined, especially if specialized jurisdiction, which applies to some of the offenses, is removed.

The Committee also acknowledged that advancements in technology such as computer crimes and artificial intelligence require vigilance in terms of the need to address new threats to society. The Law Institute has no recommendation for change at this time but will continue to monitor the federal law for new additions that may need to be replicated or incorporated into Louisiana law at a later date.

White Collar Statutes

Robbery		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:66	Extortion	18 USC §§873 & 1951	§873: 1 year max, fine §1951: 20 years max, fine	FELONY 1 year min & 15 years max
Theft		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:67.3	False statements and false or altered documents; unclaimed property claim	18 USC §1001	Depending on nature of offense: 5 years max, 8 years max if terrorism involved	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:67.4	Anti-Skimming Act	-	-	Relative Felony 1 st Offense: 5 years max, \$5K fine 2 nd /Subsequent: 1 year min & 10 years max; \$20,000 fine
RS 14:67.6	Mail theft	18 USC §1708	5 years max, fine	Relative Felony 1 st Offense: 5 years, \$5,000 fine 2 nd /Subsequent: 1 year min & 10 yrs max; \$20,000 fine
RS 14:67.7	Theft or unauthorized reproduction of a mail receptacle key or lock	18 USC §1704	10 years max, fine	Relative Felony 1 st Offense: 5 years, \$5,000 fine 2 nd /Subs: 1 year min & 10 yrs max; \$20,000 fine
RS 14:67.16	Identity theft	18 USC §1028	Depending on nature of offense: 5 years max & fine 15 years max & fine 20 years max & fine 30 years max & fine	Relative Felony <u>\$1000K or more</u> 10 year max; \$10,000 fine Victim is 60 years+ or disability 3 years min, 10 years max; \$10,000 fine Victim is under 17 3 years min, 10 years max; \$10,000 fine <u>\$500-999</u> 5 year max; \$5,000 fine Victim is 60 years+ or disability 2 years min, 5 yrs max; \$5,000 fine

				<p>Victim is under 17 2 years min, 5 years max; \$5,000 fine</p> <p><u>\$300-499:</u> 3 years max, 3,000 fine</p> <p>Victim is 60 years+ or disability 1 yr min, 3 years max; \$3,000 fine</p> <p>Victim is under 17 1 yr min, 3 years max; \$3,000 fine</p> <p><u>3rd or Subsequent</u> 10 yrs max, \$20,000 fine</p> <p>MM 6 mo max, \$500 fine</p> <p>Victim is 60 years+ or disability 6 months min, 1 yr max; \$500 fine</p> <p>Victim is under 17 6 months min, 1 yr max; \$500 fine</p>
RS 14:68.6	Unauthorized ordering of goods or services	42 USC §1320a-7b(b)]	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 10 years max, fine	<p>MM 6 months max, \$500 fine</p>
RS 14:68.7	Receipts and universal product code labels; unlawful acts	18 USC §2318	5 years max, fine	<p>MM (\$999 or less) 6 months max, \$500 fine</p> <p>Relative Felony (\$1,000- \$4,999) 5 years max, \$3,000 fine</p> <p>Relative Felony (\$5,000-24,999) 10 years max, \$10,000 fine</p> <p>Felony (\$25,000+) 20 years max, \$50,000 fine</p>
Fraud		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:70	False accounting	-	-	<p>MM 6 mo max, \$500 fine</p>
RS 14:70.1	Medicaid fraud	8 USC §1347	20 years max, fine	<p>Relative Felony 5 years max, \$20,000 fine</p>

RS 14:70.2	Refund or access device application fraud	8 USC §1029	Depending on nature of offense: 10 years max, fine 15 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	MM (Refund Fraud) 6 months max, \$500 fine <u>ADP Fraud</u> MM: (\$999 or less) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (\$1,000-4,999) 5 years max, \$3,000 fine Relative Felony (\$5,000-24,999) 10 years max, \$10,000 fine Felony (\$25,000+) 20 years max, \$50,000 fine
RS 14:70.3	Fraud in selling agricultural equipment	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:70.4	Access device fraud	18 USC §1029	Depending on nature of offense: 10 years max, fine 15 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	MM (\$999 or less) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (\$1,000-24,000) 5 years max, \$3,000 fine Relative Felony (\$5,000-24,999) 10 years max, \$10,000 fine Felony (\$25,000+) 20 years max, \$50,000 fine Relative Felony (3rd or subsequent conviction) 2 years max, \$2,000 fine
RS 14:70.5	Fraudulent remuneration	42 USC §1320(b)	10 years max, \$100,000 fine	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$20,000 fine
RS 14:70.6	Unlawful distribution, possession, or use of theft alarm deactivation devices	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:70.7	Unlawful production, manufacturing, distribution, or possession of fraudulent	18 USC §1028	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 5 years max, fine 10 years max, fine 15 years max, fine	MM (Possession) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (Distribution, Manufacture, Production) 3 years max, \$5,000 fine

	documents for identification purposes		20 years max, fine 30 years max, fine	
RS 14:70.8	Illegal transmission of monetary funds	18 USC §1960	5 years max, fine	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$100,000 fine
RS 14:70.9	Government benefits fraud	18 USC §1031	10 years max, \$1 million fine	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:71	Issuing worthless checks	25 CFR §11.421	MM	MM (\$999 or less) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (2 or more previous convictions of theft) 2 years max, \$2,000 fine Relative Felony (\$1,000-4,999) 5 years max, \$3,000 fine Relative Felony (\$5,000-24,999) 10 years max, \$10,000 fine Felony (\$25,000+) 20 years max, \$50,000 fine
RS 14:71.1	Bank fraud	18 USC §1344	30 years, \$1 million fine	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$100,000 fine
RS 14:71.3	Mortgage fraud	-	-	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$100,000 fine
RS 14:71.3.1	Tax sale property fraud	-	-	Relative Felony 2 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:71.4	Homestead exemption fraud	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:72	Forgery	18 USC §471	20 years, fine	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:72.1	Use of forged academic records	18 USC §471	<i>See above</i>	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:72.1.1	Forgery of a certificate of insurance or insurance identification card; penalties	-	-	MM (Possession) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (Distribution, Manufacture, Production) 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:72.2	Monetary instrument abuse	18 USC §1956	20 years max, fine	Relative Felony 6 months min., 10 years max.; \$5,000 fine min., \$1 mil fine max

				Relative Felony (2nd or Subsequent Conviction) 1 year min., 10 year max.; \$1 mil fine
RS 14:72.4	Disposal of property with fraudulent or malicious intent	18 USC §152(7)	5 years max, fine	MM (\$1,000 or less) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (\$1,001+) 1 year max, \$1,000 fine
RS 14:73	Commercial bribery	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
Computer Crimes		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:73.2	Offenses against intellectual property	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (\$500+) 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:73.3	Offenses against computer equipment or supplies	18 USC §1030	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 5 years max, fine 10 years max, fine 15 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (\$500+) 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:73.4	Offenses against computer users	18 USC §1030	<i>See above</i>	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (\$500+) 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:73.5	Computer fraud	18 USC §1030	<i>See above</i>	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:73.6	Offenses against electronic mail service provider	18 USC §2701	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 5 years max, fine 10 years max, fine	MM \$5,000 fine
RS 14:73.7	Computer tampering	18 U.S.C §1030	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 5 years max, fine 10 year max, fine	MM (Access or Copy) 6 months max, \$500 fine Relative Felony (Damage or Destroy)

			20 years max, fine	5 years max, \$10,000 fine FELONY (Disrupt vital services of the state or w/ intent to cause death or great bodily harm) 15 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:73.8	Unauthorized use of a wireless router system; pornography involving juveniles; penalty	18 USC §1029	Depending on nature of offense: 10 years max, fine 15 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	FELONY 2 years minimum, 10 years max; \$10,000 fine - When the victim is under the age of 13 years and the offender is 17 years of age or older: 25 years minimum, 99 years max
RS 14:73.9	Criminal use of Internet, virtual, street-map; enhanced penalties	-	-	This is an enhanced penalty to be served consecutively with the sentence imposed for the underlying offense
RS 14:73.10	Online impersonation	18 USC §§1028 & 1030(g)	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 5 years max, fine 15 years max, fine 20 years max, fine 30 years max, fine <i>See above for 18 USC §1030(g)</i>	MM 10 days minimum, 6 months max; \$250 minimum fine, \$1,000 max
RS 14:73.11	Communication interference	18 USC §2511	5 years, fine	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$10,000 fine 2nd or subsequent offense 15 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:73.12	Trespass against state computers	18 USC §1030	<i>See above</i>	Relative Felony (Obtaining, seeking, utilizing, destroying, viewing, or affecting information) 3 years max, \$3,000 fine Relative Felony (Willfully communicating, delivering, transmitting, or causing or threatening to communicate, deliver, or transmit or Initiating a denial of service attack OR

				<p>introducing malicious or any type of destructive or harmful software or program that negatively affects or impacts such computer systems or programs)</p> <p>3 years max, \$5,000 fine</p> <p>2nd or subsequent offense</p> <p>5 years max, \$10,000 fine</p>
RS 14:73.13	Unlawful deepfakes	-	-	<p>FELONY (Creates or possesses material that depicts a MINOR engaging in sexual conduct w/ knowledge that the material is a deepfake)</p> <p>5 years minimum, 20 years max; \$10,000 fine</p> <p>FELONY (Advertises, distributes, exhibits, exchanges with, promotes, or sells any sexual material that depicts another person, without consent of the person depicted, engaging in sexual conduct w/ knowledge that the material is a deepfake)</p> <p>10 years minimum, 30 years max; \$50,000 fine</p> <p>FELONY (Advertises, distributes, exhibits, exchanges with, promotes, or sells any sexual material that depicts a MINOR engaging in sexual conduct w/ knowledge that the material is a deepfake)</p> <p>10 years minimum, 30 years max; \$50,000 fine</p>
RS 14:73.14	Unlawful dissemination or sale of images of another created by artificial intelligence	-	-	<p>MM</p> <p>6 months maximum, \$750 fine</p>

Bribery & Intimidation		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:118	Public bribery	18 USC §201	Depending on nature of offense: 2 years max, fine 15 years max, fine	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$2,000 fine
RS 14:120	Corrupt influencing	18 USC §201	<i>See above</i>	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:122	Public intimidation and retaliation	18 USC §1513	Depending on nature of offense: 10 years max, fine 20 years max, fine 30 years max, fine	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$1,000 fine
RS 14:122.2	Threatening a public official or law enforcement officer; penalties; definitions	18 USC §§ 875, 876	<p>§875 Depending on nature of offense: 2 years max, fine 5 years max, fine 20 years max, fine</p> <p>§876 Depending on nature of offense: 2 years max, fine 5 years max, fine 10 years max, fine 20 years max, fine</p>	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
Perjury		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:123	Perjury	18 USC §§1621-23	<p>§1621: 5 years §1622: 5 years §1623: 5 years, 10 years if before FISA Court</p>	<p>FELONY (When committed on a trial in which a sentence of death or life imprisonment may be imposed) 5 years minimum, 40 years max; \$100,000 fine</p> <p>FELONY (When committed on a trial in which a sentence of imprisonment necessarily at hard labor for any period less than a life sentence may be imposed) 1 year minimum, 20 years max; \$50,000 fine</p> <p>FELONY (When committed in all other cases in which any other sentence may be imposed)</p>

				5 years maximum, \$10,000 fine FELONY (When committed in any civil action, administrative proceeding, legislative hearing or proceeding, or in any other legal proceeding) 5 years maximum, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:125	False swearing	18 USC §§1621-23	<i>See above</i>	MM 1 year maximum, \$500 fine
RS 14:125.1	False swearing in paternity cases	-	-	MM 6 months maximum, \$500 fine
RS 14:125.2#	False statements concerning paternity	-	-	MM 5 years maximum, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:126.1	False swearing for purpose of violating public health or safety	18 USC §1038	Depending on nature of offense: 5 years max, fine 20 years max, fine Life imprisonment max, fine	Relative Felony 1 year minimum, 5 years max; \$100 min. fine, \$1,000 max fine
RS 14:126.1.1	False communication with the intent to cause an emergency response	18 USC §1038	<i>See above</i>	MM (If no emergency response) 6 months maximum, \$500 fine Relative Felony (If emergency response, If response & serious bodily injury) 5 years maximum; \$100 min. fine, \$1,000 max fine 8 years minimum; \$500 min. fine, \$2,500 max fine FELONY (If response & death occurs) 10 years minimum; 40 years max
RS 14:126.2	False statements concerning denial of constitutional rights	18 USC §1001	Depending on nature of offense: 5 years max, fine 8 years max, fine	Relative Felony 1 year minimum, 5 years max; \$100 min. fine, \$1,000 max fine
RS 14:126.3	False statements concerning employment in a nursing or health care facility	18 USC §1035	5 years max, fine	MM 6 months maximum, \$500 fine

RS 14:126.3.1	Unauthorized participation in medical assistance programs	42 USC §1320a–7b	<i>See “Unauthorized ordering of goods or services” above</i>	MM (When underlying conviction is MM) 6 months max, \$1,000 max fine FELONY (When underlying conviction is felony) 5 years max; \$1,000 min. fine, \$20,000 max fine
RS 14:126.4	False certification of arrest documents	18 USC §1018	1 year max, fine	MM 6 months max, \$500 max fine
Crimes Affecting the Judiciary		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:129	Jury tampering	18 USC §1503	Depending on nature of offense: 10 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	Relative Felony (Civil case) 5 years max, \$5,000 fine FELONY (Capital cases; Same manner as crime being charged for other cases) 99 years max for capital cases Same extent and in the same manner as for the offense charged in the trial for which the jury has been impaneled.
RS 14:129.1	Intimidating, impeding or injuring witnesses; injuring officers; penalties	18 USC §1512	Depending on nature of offense: 3 years max, fine 20 years max, fine 30 years max, fine	Relative Felony (Civil case) 5 years max, \$5,000 fine FELONY (Capital case) 40 years max, \$100,000 fine FELONY (Term of Imprisonment = Less than life) 20 years max, \$50,000 fine FELONY (Imposition of any other sentence) 5 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:129.2	Recording, listening to, or observing proceedings of grand or petit juries while deliberating or voting	18 USC §1508	1 year max, fine	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine

RS 14:130	Jury misconduct	18 USC §1503	Depending on nature of offense: 10 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:130.1	Obstruction of justice	18 USC Ch 73	Depending on nature of offense: 5 years max, fine 20 years max, fine	FELONY (Punishment = Death or Life Imprisonment) 40 years max, \$100,000 fine FELONY (Term of Imprisonment = Less than life) 20 years max, \$50,000 fine Relative Felony (Imposition of any other sentence) 5 years max, \$10,000 fine Relative Felony (Sentenced imposed is death penalty) 3 years max, \$5,000 fine MM (MM proceeding that is not a MM directly affecting the person) 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:131	Compounding a felony	-	-	Relative Felony 2 years max, \$1,000 fine
RS 14:131.1	Failure to report the commission of certain felonies	18 USC §4	3 years max, fine	Relative Felony 1 year max, \$500 fine
RS 14:132	Injuring public records	18 USC §§285, 1506, & 2071	§285: 5 years max, fine §1506: 5 years max, fine §2071: 3 years max, fine	Relative Felony (1st Degree) 5 years max, \$5,000 fine Relative Felony (2nd Degree) 1 year max, \$1,000 fine
RS 14:133	Filing or maintaining false public records	18 USC §§1519 & 2071	§1519: 20 years max, fine §2071: See above	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:133.1#	Obstruction of court orders	18 USC §1509	1 year max, fine	MM 1 year max, \$1,000 fine
RS 14:133.1.1	Election fraud or forgery	52 USC §20511	5 years max, fine	Relative Felony (1st offense) 2 years max, \$2,000 fine

				FELONY (2nd or subsequent offense) 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:133.2	Misrepresentation during booking	18 USC §1001	Depending on nature of offense: 5 years max, fine 8 years max, fine	MM 6 months max
RS 14:133.3	Falsification of drug tests	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:133.4	Misrepresentation during issuance of a misdemeanor summons or preparation of a juvenile custodial agreement	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:133.5	Filing a false complaint against a law enforcement officer	18 USC §1001	<i>See above</i>	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:133.6	Filing a false lien against a law enforcement or court officer	18 USC §1521	10 years max, fine	Relative Felony 2 years max, \$500 min. fine
RS 14:133.7	Publication of certain criminal record information or juvenile record information prohibited	18 USC §5038	None	MM (1st & 2nd conviction) 6 months max, \$1,000 fine 1 year max, \$5,000 fine Relative Felony (3rd or subsequent conviction) 6 months minimum, 1 year max \$10,000 fine
Official Misconduct & Corrupt Practices		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:134	Malfeasance in office	18 USC §§ 201, 1951, & 1343	§201: Bribery 2 years max, fine 15 years max, fine §1951: Interference w/ Commerce by Threats or Violence 20 years max, fine §1346: Wire Fraud	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$5,000 fine

			20 years max, fine 30 years max, fine	
RS 14:134.1	Malfeasance in office; sexual conduct prohibited with persons in the custody and supervision of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections	18 USC §2243(c)	15 years max, fine	FELONY 10 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:134.2	Malfeasance in office; tampering with evidence	18 USC §1519	<i>See “Filing or maintaining false public records” above</i>	Relative Felony 3 years max, \$10,000 fine
RS 14:134.3	Abuse of office	25 CFR 11.448	Depending on nature of offense: 3 mo. max, fine 6 mo. max, fine 1 year max, fine	Relative Felony 1 year minimum, 5 years max
RS 14:135	Public salary deduction	-	-	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:136	Public salary extortion	18 USC §872	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 3 years max, fine	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:138	Public payroll fraud	18 USC §641	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 10 years max, fine	Relative Felony 2 years max, \$1,000 fine
RS 14:139	Political payroll padding	-	-	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:139.1	Political payroll padding by sheriff; sale of assets of sheriff's office prohibited	-	-	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:139.2	Transfer of capital assets of clerk of court's office prohibited	-	-	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:140	Public contract fraud	18 USC §1031	10 years max, fine	Relative Felony 2 years max, \$1,000 fine

RS 14:141	Prohibited splitting of profits, fees or commissions; exceptions	12 CFR § 1024.14	<i>See “Unauthorized ordering of goods or services” above</i>	Relative Felony 10 years max, \$10,000 fine
Offenses Affecting Organized Government		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:351	Bail, sale, etc. of real estate securing, prohibited; penalty	-	-	Relative Felony 6 months min., 12 months max
RS 14:353	Documents simulating official court papers for collection purposes, sale or purchase prohibited; use prohibited; penalty	-	-	MM 60 days max, \$100 fine
RS 14:354	Fiduciaries, failure to file accounts in court; penalty	26 USC §7203	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine 5 years max, fine	MM 6 months max, \$500 fine
RS 14:356	Sheriffs, etc., solicitation of legal business prohibited; penalty	18 USC §607	3 years max, \$5,000 fine	Relative Felony 2 years max
RS 14:356.1	Unlawful referrals by wrecker drivers and others; penalty	42 USC § 1320a-7b(b)	<i>See “Unauthorized ordering of goods or services” above</i>	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:356.2#	Unlawful appearance bond procurement	-	-	MM 6 months max, \$5,000 fine
RS 14:356.3	Unlawful referrals by ambulance drivers and others; penalty	42 USC § 1320a-7b(b)	<i>See “Unauthorized ordering of goods or services” above</i>	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$5,000 fine
Counterfeiting & Money Laundering		Federal Statute	Federal Penalty	Louisiana Penalty
RS 14:229	Illegal use of counterfeit	18 USC §2320	Depending on nature of offense: 1 year max, fine	Relative Felony 5 years max, \$10,000 fine

	trademark; penalties		10 years max, fine 20 years max, fine 30 years max, fine Life imprisonment max, fine	
RS 14:230	Money laundering; transactions involving proceeds of criminal activity	18 USC §1956	<i>See "Monetary instrument abuse" above</i>	MM (\$2,999 or less) 6 months max, \$1,000 fine Relative Felony (\$3,000-\$19,999) 2 years min., 10 years max; \$10,000 fine FELONY (\$20,000-\$99,999) 2 years min., 20 years max; \$20,000 fine FELONY (\$100,000+) 2 years min., 50 years max; \$50,000 fine
RS 14:231	Counterfeit and nonfunctional air bags prohibited; air bag fraud	-	-	MM (1st offense installation/reinstallation of counterfeit airbag OR sale, installation, reinstallation of device in a motor vehicle that causes diagnostic system to indicate vehicle has functioning airbag) 6 months max, \$1,000 fine Relative Felony (2nd offense installation/reinstallation, sale, of device in a motor vehicle that causes diagnostic system to indicate vehicle has functioning airbag OR if serious bodily injury or death of any person) 1 year max, \$2,500 fine Relative Felony (Manufacture, import, sale of counterfeit airbag) 1 year max, \$2,500 fine Relative Felony (Cumulative sales price of the air bags or objects involved in the violation

				<p>is at least \$5,000 but less than \$100,000 OR if the number of air bags or objects involved in the violation is at least \$100 but less than \$1,000)</p> <p>6 months min., 2 years max; \$5,000 fine</p> <p>Relative Felony (Cumulative sales price of the air bags or objects involved in the violation is \$100,000+ OR if the number of air bags or objects involved in the violation is \$1,000+)</p> <p>1 year min., 5 years max; \$10,000 fine</p>
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