

ACT No. 546

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 168

BY REPRESENTATIVES HOFFMANN, COX, HENSGENS, HILL, KATRINA JACKSON, POPE, STOKES, AND WILLMOTT

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1300.252, 1300.256(A)(4), and 1300.262(B)(1)(a) and (2)(a)
3 and to enact R.S. 40:1263 and 1300.256(A)(5), relative to smoking regulation; to
4 prohibit smoking in certain outdoor areas proximate to state office buildings; to
5 provide relative to the purpose of certain smoking regulations; to provide for
6 applicability; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide
7 for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 40:1300.252, 1300.256(A)(4), and 1300.262(B)(1)(a) and (2)(a) are
10 hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 40:1263 and 1300.256(A)(5) are hereby enacted to
11 read as follows:

12 §1263. State office buildings; smoking regulation; enforcement

13 A. The requirements set forth in this Section shall apply to all buildings
14 owned by the state which are utilized primarily as office buildings, referred to
15 hereafter in this Part as "state office buildings".

16 B. In addition to any applicable smoking prohibition as provided in the
17 Louisiana Smokefree Air Act (R.S. 40:1300.251 et seq.), smoking shall be prohibited
18 in all of the following areas:

19 (1) Any outdoor area proximate to a state office building that is within
20 twenty-five feet of an entrance of the building to which access by the public is not
21 restricted.

22 (2) Any outdoor area that is within twenty-five feet of a wheelchair ramp or
23 other structure that facilitates access to a state office building by persons with
24 disabilities.

1 §1300.262. Enforcement; penalties

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3 B.(1)(a) Any person who is guilty of a violation of the prohibition in R.S.
4 40:1300.256(A)(1), (2), (3), and ~~(3)~~ (4) shall, upon a first offense, be fined twenty-
5 five dollars.

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7 (2)(a) Any employer who is guilty of a violation of the prohibition in ~~R.S.~~
8 ~~40:1300.256(A)(4)~~ R.S. 40:1300.256(A)(5) shall, upon a first offense, be fined one
9 hundred dollars.

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11 Section 2. The Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby authorized and requested to
12 redesignate, in accordance with the provisions of the Act which originated as House Bill No.
13 _____ of this 2014 Regular Session of the Legislature, the numbers of all Sections of statute
14 amended or enacted by this Act.

15 Section 3. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2015.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____