

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 57

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANAHAAY

PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS: Increases penalty for violations of private investigator law

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3521(B), relative to private investigators; to provide for  
3 increased penalties; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 37:3521(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

6 §3521. Violations; penalties

7 \* \* \*

8 B. Whoever willfully violates any provisions of this Chapter shall be fined

9 not less than ~~one~~ two thousand dollars nor more than ~~five~~ ten thousand dollars, or

10 imprisoned for not less than three months nor more than one year, or both.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Increases the fines for violations of the private investigator law.

Present law provides that whoever willfully violates any provisions of present law shall be fined not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$5,000, or imprisoned for not less than three months nor more than one year, or both.

Proposed law changes present law penalties to include a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$10,000, imprisonment for not less than three months nor more than one year, or both.

(Amends R.S. 37:3521(B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill.

1. Deleted provision requiring the term of imprisonment to be served with or without hard labor, thereby making the violation a misdemeanor.