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# ACT No. 505

HOUSE BILL NO. 23

BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:402(D)(9) and (E)(7), relative to contraband on the grounds of correctional institutions; to add component hardware of telecommunications equipment in the definition of "contraband"; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 14:402(D)(9) and (E)(7) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§402. Contraband defined; certain activities regarding contraband in penal institutions prohibited; penalty; disposition of seized contraband

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D. "Contraband" as used herein means:

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(9) Any telecommunications equipment or component hardware, including but not limited to cellular phones, pagers, beepers, ~~or~~ global satellite system equipment, subscriber identity module (SIM) cards, portable memory chips, batteries, and chargers, whether or not such equipment may be intended for use in planning or aiding an escape or attempt to escape from any institution, unless authorized by the warden of the institution.

E. It shall be unlawful to possess or to introduce or attempt to introduce into or upon the premises of any municipal or parish prison or jail or to take or send or attempt to take or send therefrom, or to give or to attempt to give to an inmate of any municipal or parish prison or jail, any of the following articles which are hereby declared to be contraband for the purpose of this Section, to wit:

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