

**House Judiciary Reported Substitute for HB243**

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5 A BILL

6 TO BE ENTITLED

7 AN ACT

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9 Relating to crimes and offenses; to amend Sections  
10 13A-6-3, 13A-6-4, and 32-10-6, Code of Alabama 1975; to  
11 further provide for the crimes of manslaughter and criminally  
12 negligent homicide; to further provide for the criminal  
13 penalties for violations related to motor vehicle accidents;  
14 and to further provide for restitution.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

16 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as  
17 the Devinee Rooney and John Wesley **Holt** Safe Streets Act.

18 Section 2. Sections 13A-6-3, 13A-6-4, and 32-10-6, Code  
19 of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:

20 "§13A-6-3

21 (a) A person commits the crime of manslaughter if he or  
22 she does any of the following:

23 (1) Recklessly causes the death of another  
24 personindividual.

25 (2) Causes the death of another personindividual under  
26 circumstances that would constitute murder under Section  
27 13A-6-2; except, that he or she causes the death due to a  
28 sudden heat of passion caused by provocation recognized by

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29 law, and before a reasonable time for the passion to cool and  
30 for reason to reassert itself.

31 (3)a. Knowingly sells, furnishes, gives away, delivers,  
32 or distributes a controlled substance in violation of Section  
33 13A-12-211, which contains fentanyl, any mixture containing  
34 fentanyl, any synthetic controlled substance fentanyl, or any  
35 synthetic controlled substance fentanyl analogue as described  
36 in Sections 20-2-23 and 20-2-25, and the ~~person~~ individual to  
37 whom the controlled substance is sold, furnished, given,  
38 delivered, or distributed dies as a proximate result of the  
39 use of the controlled substance; ~~provided, nothing~~ Nothing  
40 in this subdivision shall be construed to apply to a licensed  
41 physician engaged in the practice of medicine, a licensed  
42 pharmacist engaged in the practice of pharmacy, or a licensed  
43 dentist engaged in the practice of dentistry.

44 b. It is not a defense to this subdivision that the  
45 person who sold, furnished, gave away, delivered, or  
46 distributed the controlled substance had no knowledge that the  
47 controlled substance contained fentanyl, any mixture  
48 containing fentanyl, any synthetic controlled substance  
49 fentanyl, or any synthetic controlled substance fentanyl  
50 analogue as described in ~~Section~~ Sections 20-2-23 and 20-2-25.

51 (4) Drives or operates a motor vehicle or vessel in  
52 violation of Section 32-5A-191 or 32-5A-191.3, and causes the  
53 death of another individual.

54 (b) Manslaughter is a Class B felony."

55 "§13A-6-4

56 (a) A person commits the crime of criminally negligent

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57 homicide if he or she causes the death of another ~~person~~  
58 individual by criminal negligence.

59 (b) The jury may consider statutes and ordinances  
60 regulating the actor's conduct in determining whether the  
61 actor is culpably negligent under subsection (a).

62 (c) Criminally negligent homicide is a Class A  
63 misdemeanor, ~~except in cases in which the criminally negligent~~  
64 ~~homicide is caused by the driver or operator of a vehicle or~~  
65 ~~vessel who is driving or operating the vehicle or vessel in~~  
66 ~~violation of Section 32-5A-191 or 32-5A-191.3; in these cases,~~  
67 ~~criminally negligent homicide is a Class C felony.~~"

68 "§32-10-6

69 (a) Every person convicted of violating Sections  
70 32-10-1 through 32-10-5 ~~or any of the provisions thereof, when~~  
71 ~~such violation involved only damage to property,~~ shall be  
72 punished ~~the same as prescribed by law for~~ as follows:

73 (1) For a violation involving only damage to property,  
74 a Class A misdemeanor; ~~provided, however, that every person~~  
75 ~~convicted of violating such sections, or any provisions~~  
76 ~~thereof, when such.~~

77 (2) For a violation ~~involved death or personal~~  
78 involving physical injury, ~~shall be punished the same as~~  
79 ~~prescribed by law for~~ a Class C felony.

80 (3) For a violation involving serious physical injury  
81 or death, a Class B felony.

82 (b) Any individual who suffers any damage or loss in  
83 connection with criminal conduct that results in a conviction  
84 for any violation of Sections 32-10-1 through 32-10-5 shall be

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85 considered a victim for the purposes of Article 4A of Chapter  
86 18 of Title 15."

87           Section 3. This act shall become effective on October  
88           1, 2026.