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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to crimes and offenses; to amend Section 13A-6-3, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for the crime of manslaughter; and in connection therewith would have as its purpose or effect the requirement of a new or increased expenditure of local funds within the meaning of Section 111.05 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 13A-6-3, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§13A-6-3

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

(1) ~~He recklessly~~ Recklessly causes the death of another person, ~~or.~~

(2) ~~He causes~~ Causes the death of another person under circumstances that would constitute murder under Section 13A-6-2; except, that he or she causes the death due to a sudden heat of passion caused by provocation recognized by law, and before a reasonable time for the passion to cool and for reason to reassert itself.

(3) Knowingly sells, furnishes, gives away, delivers,



29 or distributes a controlled substance, in violation of Section  
30 13A-12-211, that contains fentanyl, any mixture containing  
31 fentanyl, any synthetic controlled substance fentanyl, or any  
32 synthetic controlled substance fentanyl analogue as described  
33 in Sections 20-2-23 and 20-2-25, and the person to whom the  
34 controlled substance is sold, furnished, given, delivered, or  
35 distributed dies as a proximate result of the use of the  
36 controlled substance; provided, nothing in this subdivision  
37 shall be construed to apply to a licensed physician engaged in  
38 the practice of medicine, a licensed pharmacist engaged in the  
39 practice of pharmacy, or a licensed dentist engaged in the  
40 practice of dentistry.

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

42 Section 2. Although this bill would have as its purpose  
43 or effect the requirement of a new or increased expenditure of  
44 local funds, the bill is excluded from further requirements  
45 and application under Section 111.05 of the Constitution of  
46 Alabama of 2022, because the bill defines a new crime or  
47 amends the definition of an existing crime.

48 Section 3. This act shall take effect on the first day  
49 of the third month, following its passage and approval by the  
50 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.