

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 384

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX

MTR VEHICLE/VIOLATIONS: Provides relative to the imposition of penalties for the lapse of insurance coverage

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:863(A)(3)(a), relative to the lapse of motor vehicle insurance  
3 coverage; to provide with respect to reinstatement fees for lapse of insurance  
4 coverage; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:863(A)(3)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §863. Sanctions for false declaration; reinstatement fees; revocation of registration;  
8 review

9 A.

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11 (3)(a) Sanctions for a violation of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be  
12 imposed until proof of required liability security is provided to the secretary and all  
13 reinstatement fees are paid. Sanctions for a violation of Paragraph (2) of this  
14 Subsection shall be imposed for a period of not less than twelve months nor more  
15 than eighteen months. However, in no event shall these sanctions be removed until  
16 such time as proof of the required security is provided to the secretary along with all  
17 appropriate fees required by law, including a reinstatement fee of one hundred  
18 dollars per violation of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection if the vehicle was not  
19 covered by the required security for a period of one to thirty days, two hundred fifty  
20 dollars if the vehicle was not covered by required security for a period of thirty-one

1 to ninety days, and five hundred dollars if the vehicle was not covered by required  
 2 security for a period in excess of ninety days. No reinstatement fee shall be imposed  
 3 by the secretary if the vehicle was not covered by required security for a period of  
 4 ten days or less and the insured surrenders the vehicle's license plate to the secretary  
 5 within ten days or if the violation is the insured's first violation pursuant to Paragraph  
 6 (1) of this Subsection and the lapse of insurance coverage was for ~~five~~ ten days or  
 7 less, provided immediate notice of the cancellation is given within one to five days  
 8 before issuing the violation.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides with respect to the imposition of penalties for lapse of insurance coverage.

Present law prohibits the imposition of reinstatement fees for lapse of insurance coverage for a period of five days or less, if the violation is the insured's first.

Proposed law extends the period prohibiting the imposition of reinstatement fees for the lapse of insurance coverage in present law ~~from~~ five days or less to 10 days or less.

(Amends R.S. 32:863(A)(3)(a))