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HOUSE BILL NO. 773

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

TRAFFIC/VIOLATIONS: Limits types of citations which can be issued from camera systems

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:43, relative to automated enforcement systems; to limit the types of
3 citations which can be issued from camera systems; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:43 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §43. Automated enforcement system; prohibition; speed

8 A. No local governmental subdivision, political subdivision, or any agency
9 or department thereof, shall utilize any automated enforcement system on any
10 highway in this state to issue a citation or violation to, or to impose or collect a civil
11 or criminal fine, fee, or penalty on, a person for operating a motor vehicle which
12 exceeds the posted speed limit unless such motor vehicle is being operated at a speed
13 in excess of ten miles per hour over the posted speed limit, except in a school speed
14 zone.

15 B. For the purposes of this Section, the term "automated enforcement
16 system", means a camera or an optical device erected alongside a public road, street,
17 or highway, or at a traffic light intersection and installed to work in conjunction with
18 a traffic control signal or radar speed detection equipment, or both, and designed to
19 photographically record images of the license plate or other identifying feature of a
20 motor vehicle that is not operated in compliance with instruction of a traffic control

1 signal or a posted traffic sign. The term shall also mean a camera or optical device
2 which is attached to a vehicle parked along a public road, street, or highway, and
3 installed to work in conjunction with a traffic control signal or radar speed detection
4 equipment, or both.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the issuance of traffic citations from a traffic camera system for a violation less than 10 miles over the posted speed limit in this state.

Proposed law prohibits use by any local governmental subdivision or political subdivision or any agency or department thereof, of any automated enforcement system to issue a citation or violation for speed except when the motor vehicle is exceeding the posted speed limit by more than 10 miles per hour, except in a school zone.

(Adds R.S. 32:43)