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HOUSE BILL NO. 821

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TRAFFIC/VIOLATIONS: Provides that traffic citations cannot be issued for certain traffic maneuvers pertaining to school buses

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:80(C), relative to overtaking of school buses; to provide that 3 certain traffic citations cannot be written for certain traffic maneuvers taken to pass 4 a school bus; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 32:80(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 7 §80. Overtaking and passing school buses 8 9 C. The driver of a vehicle upon a highway with separate roadways need not 10 stop upon meeting or passing a school bus which is on a different roadway or when 11 upon a controlled access highway and the school bus is stopped in a loading zone 12 which is a part of or adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not 13 permitted to cross the roadway. A traffic citation, including a civil citation written 14 pursuant to a local or municipal ordinance, shall not be issued in the following 15 circumstances: 16 (1) The driver of a motor vehicle is upon a highway with separate roadways 17 and does not stop upon meeting or passing a school bus which is on a separate 18 roadway.

1 (2) The driver of a motor vehicle is on a controlled access highway and
2 passes a school bus stopped in a loading zone which is a part of or adjacent to such
3 highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to cross the highway.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that traffic citations cannot be issued for certain traffic maneuvers pertaining to school buses.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the driver of a vehicle upon a highway with separate roadways need not stop upon meeting or passing a school bus which is on a different roadway or when upon a controlled access highway and the school bus is stopped in a loading zone which is a part of or adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to cross the roadway.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a traffic citation, including a civil citation written pursuant to a local or municipal ordinance, shall not be issued in the following circumstances:

- (1) The driver of a motor vehicle is upon a highway with separate roadways and does not stop upon meeting or passing a school bus which is on a separate roadway.
- (2) The driver of a motor vehicle is on a controlled access highway and passes a school bus stopped in a loading zone which is a part of or adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to cross the highway.

(Amends R.S. 32:80(C))