

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law authorized local governing authorities to enact ordinances regulating the movement of traffic and other similar rules and regulations.

New law requires local municipal or parish governing authorities to post signs indicating that a red light camera is present within 500 feet of each red light camera. Requires that the sign be in a manner clearly visible to traffic approaching the red light camera.

New law provides that the failure of a municipal or parish authority to comply shall prohibit the use of any photographic or video images collected by the red light camera to impose or collect any civil or criminal fine, fee, or penalty by or on behalf of the municipal or parish authority.

New law provides that in any proceeding to collect a civil or criminal fine, fee, or penalty on behalf of the municipality or parish there is a rebuttable presumption that the signs were posted as required.

New law defines a red light camera as a device installed at an intersection designed to collect photographic or video evidence of alleged traffic violations by recording images that depict the license plate or other identifying features of a motor vehicle being operated out of compliance with instruction of a traffic control signal or a posted traffic sign.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 32:44)