The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Whitney Kauffeld.

DIGEST

SB 124 Reengrossed

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<u>Present law</u> provides penalties for violations of <u>present law</u> relative to motor vehicles and traffic regulation (La. Highway Regulatory Act). <u>Present law</u> provides that the first violation of <u>present law</u> or any regulation made pursuant to <u>present law</u> is to be punished by a fine up to \$175 or imprisonment up to 30 days, or both. <u>Present law</u> further provides that a subsequent violation is to be punished by a fine up to \$500 or imprisonment up to 90 days, or both.

Proposed law permits law enforcement to impound the vehicle at the time of the violation.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if the offense is committed in preparation to or during the commission of a felony in order to escape detection, the defendant is to be punished by an additional fine of \$200, or an additional imprisonment of 30 days, or both.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 32:57(A))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Delete provisions which increases fines specific to driving without a license plate.