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<u>Proposed law</u> requires the office of motor vehicles (OMV) to develop and implement a debt amnesty program for a period of at least two months duration in 2016 that occurs prior to December 31, 2016, and to collect debt for fines, penalties, and fees due the OMV as defined in R.S. 32:8 for violations R.S. 32:863 (no insurance). Requires the office to publicize the debt amnesty program to maximize the public's awareness of and participation in the program.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that OMV debtors with debt incurred under R.S. 32:863 are eligible to participate in the debt amnesty program. Requires amnesty debt payments to be paid in full during the amnesty period and provides the following schedule of amnesty debt payments.

- (1) For debt for violation or for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(1) before July 1, 2014, the per violation amnesty payment will be \$50 and the total amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed \$500.
- (2) For debt for violation or for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(1) on or after July 1, 2014, the per violation amnesty payment will be \$100 and the total amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed \$850.
- (3) For debt for violation or for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(2) before July 1, 2014, the per violation amnesty payment will be \$50 and the total amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed \$500.
- (4) For debt for violation or for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(2) on or after July 1, 2014, the per violation amnesty payment will be \$100 and the total amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed \$1,750.
- (5) No amnesty debt payment for debt of a person 65 years or older for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(1) and (2) before July 1, 2014, including administrative fees, shall exceed \$200.
- (6) No amnesty debt payment for debt of a person 65 years or older for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(1) and (2) on or after July 1, 2014, including administrative fees, shall exceed \$250.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the OMV to clear the debtor's record and reinstate his driver's license and motor vehicle registration upon receipt of the amnesty payment.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires OMV to propose an amnesty program for violations of R.S. 32:57.1 (failure to honor a promise) and R.S. 32:863.1 (no evidence of insurance) to be approved by the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works by January 1, 2017.

Proposed law prohibits OMV from pursuing collection of fines for violations of R.S. 32:57.1 and R.S. 32:863.1 until July 1, 2017.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 32:9)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the original bill

- 1. Limits the amnesty program to violations of R.S. 32:863 (no insurance).
- 2. Provides for different per violation and total amnesty caps for violations before July 1, 2014, penalty rate increase and for violations on or after July 1, 2014.
- 3. Requires OMV to propose an amnesty program for fines for failure to appear and no evidence of insurance.
- 4. Prohibits collection action on fines for failure to appear and no evidence of insurance until July 1, 2017.