

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 279

BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLIOT

MTR VEHICLE/INSPECTION: Urges and requests the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to study motor vehicle headlamps

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
3 vehicles, to study motor vehicle headlamps.

4 WHEREAS, with the advancements in technology, aftermarket headlamps are
5 becoming increasingly brighter; and

6 WHEREAS, individuals are now equipping their vehicles with aftermarket
7 headlamps above and below their vehicles; and

8 WHEREAS, the nontraditional positioning of the headlamps can distract or
9 temporarily blind oncoming traffic thereby causing accidents; and

10 WHEREAS, these aftermarket headlamps are especially harmful to oncoming drivers
11 with vision problems as the issues created by the brightness and positioning of the
12 headlamps are increased due to the driver's vision problems; and

13 WHEREAS, R.S. 32:303 provides the requirements for headlamps on motor vehicles,
14 motorcycles, and motor-driven cycles; and

15 WHEREAS, 49 CFR Part 571.108 established the federal standard for motor vehicle
16 headlamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment; and

17 WHEREAS, it would be extremely beneficial to citizens of the state of Louisiana and
18 anyone who traverses the roadways located within this state if motor vehicle headlamps were
19 in compliance with R.S. 32:303 and 49 CFR Part 571.108.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Public Safety and
3 Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to study motor vehicle headlamps.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Safety and
5 Corrections, office of motor vehicles, shall submit a report, that includes the latest
6 advancements in headlamp technology, whether those advancements are in accordance with
7 federal and state law, and whether aftermarket headlamps and their positioning are in
8 accordance with federal and state law, along with recommendations for possible inspection
9 requirements.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department's report shall detail the results
11 of the study along with recommendations to the House of Representatives of the Legislature
12 of Louisiana no later than February 1, 2020.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
14 secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to study motor vehicle's headlamps, and submit a report detailing the results of its study and its recommendations to the House of Representatives of the Legislature of La. no later than Feb. 1, 2020.