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Abstract: Increases the penalties for gross littering involving tires and failure to obtain a generator identification number.

Present law provides that the penalty for failure to obtain a generator identification number is a fine of not less than $300 but not more than $500, or imprisonment for six months, or both.

Proposed law increases the monetary fine from not less than $300 but not more than $500 to $5,000. Retains the present law penalty relative to imprisonment. Exempts persons operating a vehicle fleet, and performing on-site maintenance on their own vehicles from the penalties contained in present and proposed law.

Present law establishes the penalties for gross littering upon first, second, and third or subsequent conviction.

Proposed law retains present law penalties for gross littering and adds the following penalties specific to gross littering involving tires:

(1) First conviction - fined $1,800 and is responsible for the cost of removal, transportation, and processing of the tires.

(2) Second conviction - fined not less than $4,000 and not more than $10,000 and is responsible for the cost of removal, transportation, and processing of the tires.

(3) Third or subsequent conviction - fined not less than $6,000 and not more than $20,000 and is responsible for the cost of removal, transportation, and processing of the tires.

(Amends R.S. 30:2418.1(C) and (E) and 2531.1(D)(1), (2), and (3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the original bill:

1. Establish an exemption relative to failure to obtain a generator identification number for persons operating a vehicle fleet, and performing on-site maintenance exclusively on their own vehicles.