RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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<u>New law</u> prohibits the operator or any passenger in a motor vehicle, while the motor vehicle is operated on a public highway or right-of-way, from smoking or vaping any form of marijuana as defined by <u>existing law</u> or a substance classified in Schedule I that is marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinol, or chemical derivatives thereof.

<u>New law</u> defines "smoke" as inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any activated aerosol or vapor or any lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, weed, plant, or other combustible substance in any manner or in any form.

<u>New law</u> defines "public highway or right-of-way" as the entire width between and immediately adjacent to the boundary lines of publicly maintained highways or roads when any part thereof is open to the use of the public.

<u>New law</u> provides for a fine of \$100 for any person who violates <u>new law</u>.

<u>New law</u> specifies that a violation of <u>new law</u> is a nonmoving violation and any citation issued by a law enforcement officer cannot be included on the driver's operating record.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 32:300.4.1)