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SB 220 Engrossed

2024 Regular Session

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Present law makes it a crime to drive a vehicle in a race, speed competition or contest, drag race or acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, exhibition of speed or acceleration, or for the purpose of making a speed record on public roads or on any publicly or privately owned property to which public access is not prohibited.

Proposed law allows certain law enforcement agencies in this state to impound a vehicle, at the owners expense, for up to 30 days to gather evidence pertaining to the offense.

Proposed law specifies that if the vehicle is driven in a manner that violates proposed law has been rented from a car rental agency, only the driver of the vehicle is subject to higher fines and the total cost of impound fees. Additionally, authorizes the car rental agency to claim the vehicle from the impound facility once notified by law enforcement.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 32:65(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary C to the original bill

1. Change the amount of time law enforcement agencies can impound a vehicle to gather evidence from 14 days to 30 days.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the engrossed bill:

1. Specify that only the driver of the vehicle is subject to higher fees and the total cost of impound fees if the vehicle driven in a manner that violates proposed law has been rented from a car rental agency.
2. Authorize a car rental agency to claim the impounded vehicle from the impound facility once notified by law enforcement.