

SENATE BILL NO. 220

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:65(F), relative to traffic regulations; to provide relative to the gathering of evidence by law enforcement for the crime of drag racing; to provide for impounding vehicles used in drag racing; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:65(F) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§65. Drag racing and racing on public roads and certain property; exemptions

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F. Any law enforcement agency authorized to enforce traffic regulations in this state shall have the authority to impound, at the owner's expense, any vehicle driven in a manner that violates this Section for up to fourteen days to gather evidence pertaining to the offense. If the owner of the vehicle has not violated this Section, that owner may claim the vehicle from the impound facility once notified by law enforcement. In addition, if the vehicle driven in a manner that violates this Section has been rented from a car rental agency, only the driver of the vehicle shall be subject to higher fines and the total cost of impound fees. The car rental agency, or person who owns the vehicle, may claim the vehicle from the impound facility once notified by law enforcement.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____