

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law authorizes collectors to store motor vehicles of historic or special interest or parts cars on their property. Prior law required that the vehicles and parts cars and the storage area be maintained in a way that did not pose a health, safety, or fire hazard. New law instead requires that the vehicles and parts cars and the storage area be maintained in a way that they do not become a public nuisance as provided in new law. Provides specific requirements regarding the storage of such vehicles or parts.

Existing law authorizes a governing authority of a parish or municipality to enact ordinances regulating or prohibiting the storing or abandoning of junk, wrecked, or used automobiles or motor vehicles and other junk items. New law provides that the definition of junk, wrecked, or used automobiles includes abandoned or stored motor vehicles which could be deemed of historic or special interest.

New law authorizes parish governing authorities to enact ordinances that are less or more restrictive relative to abandoned or stored motor vehicles which could be deemed of historic or special interest. Excepts parishes with a population between 420,000 and 430,000 persons.

New law provides specific requirements regarding junk, wrecked, or used automobiles or motor vehicles which may be deemed a public nuisance. Provides further with respect to such nuisance vehicles:

- (1) Provides that maintaining such a nuisance vehicle is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200.
- (2) Authorizes parish and municipal governing authorities to abate and remove such nuisance vehicles. Provides procedural requirements including notice and hearing requirements.
- (3) Provides for the removal of the nuisance vehicle to a scrap yard or vehicle demolisher. Provides that the municipality or parish shall proceed to dismantle or process for recycling a nuisance vehicle as an entity who has the rights to sell or transfer the vehicle as provided in existing law.

New law excepts parishes with a population between 420,000 and 430,000 persons from the provisions of new law.

Prior law provided for motor vehicles of historic or special interest or parts cars to be disposed of by contacting a club or chapter of a national organization that restores historic or special interest vehicles. New law repeals prior law.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 32:442(4) and 443 and R.S. 33:4876(A) and (B); Adds R.S. 33:4876.1-4876.6; Repeals R.S. 32:446)