

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 119

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

MOTOR VEHICLES: Decreases the minimum light transmission percentage allowable for the front side window tint of motor vehicles

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:361.1(C)(1), relative to motor vehicle sun screening device
3 regulations; to reduce the allowable light transmission percentage for any sun
4 blocking film or device on the front side windows of motor vehicles; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 32:361.1(C)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §361.1. View outward or inward through windshield or windows; obscuring
9 prohibited

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11 C. The provisions of this Section do not apply to any of the following:

12 (1) A sun screening device when used in conjunction with automotive safety
13 glazing materials on the front side window, with a light transmission of at least ~~forty~~
14 twenty-five percent, all tolerances included, side window behind the driver with a
15 light transmission of at least twenty-five percent, all tolerances included, and
16 rearmost windows with a light transmission of at least twelve percent, all tolerances
17 included. All sun screening devices shall not have a luminous reflectance of more
18 than twenty percent.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Reduces the allowable percentage of light transmission through any sun blocking film or device on the front side windows of a motor vehicle.

Present law requires that a sun screening device used in conjunction with automotive safety glazing materials have a light transmission of at least 40% on front side windows, 25% on side windows behind the driver, and at least 12% on the rearmost windows. Further prohibits sun screening devices that have a luminous reflectance of more than 20%. Additionally, provides certain exemptions to present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by changing the percentage of light transmission allowable for sun screening devices, including window tint, on the front side windows of a motor vehicle from 40% to 25%.

(Amends R.S. 32:361.1(C)(1))