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HOUSE BILL NO. 801

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

TRAFFIC/VIOLATIONS: Limits the types of citations which can be issued from automated speed enforcement systems

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:43, relative to automated speed enforcement systems; to limit the types of
3 citations which can be issued from such systems; and to provide for related matters
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:43 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §43. Automated speed enforcement system; prohibition; speed

8 A. No local governmental subdivision, political subdivision, or any agency
9 or department thereof, shall utilize any automated speed enforcement system on any
10 highway in this state to issue a citation or violation to, or to impose or collect a civil
11 or criminal fine, fee, or penalty on, a person for operating a motor vehicle which
12 exceeds the posted speed limit unless such motor vehicle is being operated at a speed
13 in excess of ten miles per hour over the posted speed limit, except in a school speed
14 zone.

15 B. For the purposes of this Section, the term "automated speed enforcement
16 system" means an unmanned or handheld camera or optical device installed to work
17 in conjunction with a traffic control signal or radar speed detection equipment, or
18 both, and designed to collect photographic evidence of alleged traffic violations for
19 the issuance of traffic citations by recording images that depict the license plate or

- 1 other identifying feature of a motor vehicle not in compliance with instruction of a
2 traffic control signal or posted traffic sign.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the issuance of traffic citations from an automated speed enforcement system for a violation less than 10 miles over the posted speed limit in this state.

Proposed law prohibits use by any local governmental subdivision or political subdivision or any agency or department thereof, of any automated speed enforcement system to issue a citation or violation for speed if the motor vehicle does not exceed the posted speed limit by more than 10 miles per hour, except in a school zone.

Proposed law defines "automated speed enforcement system" as an unmanned or handheld camera or optical device installed to work in conjunction with a traffic control signal or radar speed detection equipment, or both, and designed to collect photographic evidence of alleged traffic violations for the issuance of traffic citations by recording images that depict the license plate or other identifying feature of a motor vehicle not in compliance with instruction of a traffic control signal or posted traffic sign.

(Adds R.S. 32:43)