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DIGEST

Murray (SB 140)

<u>Present law</u> provides that a person who alleges that there has been a theft of a motor vehicle shall attest to that fact by signing an affidavit provided by the law enforcement officer or agency which shall indicate that a person who falsely reports a theft of a motor vehicle may be subject to criminal penalties under <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> provides that if the affidavit is not taken in person by a law enforcement officer or agency, the person who alleges that the theft of a motor vehicle has occurred shall mail or deliver a signed and notarized affidavit to the appropriate law enforcement agency within seven days.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that the failure to provide an affidavit shall not of itself, create any presumption for civil purposes of participation by the insured in the theft of the motor vehicle.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 14:67.26(B)(3))