
DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the driver of any vehicle, other than an authorized vehicle, to drive through or use any improved opening or crossover on any interstate highway.

Present law requires that every vehicle be driven only upon the right hand roadway when any highway has been divided into two roadways by a median, physical barrier, or clearly indicated dividing section.

Present law prohibits any vehicle on divided highways from driving over, across, or within the median, barrier, or dividing section, except through an improved opening or at a crossover, or intersection.

Proposed law retains present law and prohibits the driver of any vehicle other than an authorized vehicle to drive through or use any improved opening or crossover on any interstate highway.

Proposed law specifies that for the purposes of proposed law "authorized vehicle" means "authorized emergency vehicles", as defined in present law (R.S. 32:1), and towing and recovery vehicles operating under the direction of a law enforcement agency.

Present law provides for penalties for traffic violations as follows: First offense, not more than \$175 or imprisonment of not more than 30 days, or both. Subsequent offense, not more than \$500 or imprisonment of not more than 90 days, or both. If the violator is other than an individual, the fine is double and no imprisonment. Proposed law retains present law.

(Adds R.S. 32:82(A))