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Proposed law requires the office of motor vehicles (OMV) to develop and implement a debt amnesty program for a period of at least two months duration in 2016 that occurs prior to December 31, 2016, and to collect debt for fines, penalties, and fees due the OMV as defined in R.S. 32:8 for violations of R.S. 32:57.1 (failure to honor a promise), R.S. 32:863 (no insurance), and R.S. 32:863.1 (no evidence of insurance). Requires the office to publicize the debt amnesty program to maximize the public's awareness of and participation in the program.

Proposed law provides that OMV debtors with debt in the amount of $1,000 or more are eligible to participate in the debt amnesty program. Requires amnesty debt payments to be paid in full during the amnesty period and provides the following maximum schedule of amnesty debt payments.

(1) For debt of $1,000 or more for violation or multiple violations of R.S. 32:57.1, the amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed $500.

(2) For debt of $1,000 or more for violation or for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(1), the amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed $850 and shall not exceed $1,075 for debt incurred for violation or for multiple violations of R.S. 32:863(A)(2). Requires the debtor to provide proof of insurance.

(3) For debt of $1,000 or more for violation or multiple violations of R.S. 32:863.1, the amnesty debt payment due shall not exceed $500. Requires the debtor to provide proof of insurance.

(4) No amnesty debt payment for debt of a person 65 years or older, including administrative fees, shall exceed $250.

Proposed law requires the OMV to clear the debtor's record and reinstate his driver's license and motor vehicle registration upon receipt of the amnesty payment.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 32:9)