AN ACT

ACT No. 981

HOUSE BILL NO. 687

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## BY REPRESENTATIVE SMILEY

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 32:123(E)(1), relative to motor vehicle traffic regulations; to
3	increase the penalties for operators of motor vehicles cited for failure to yield the
4	right-of-way; to provide for criminal penalties; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 32:123(E)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§123. Stop signs and yield signs; penalties for violations
8	* * *
9	E.(1) Any person who is found guilty of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere
10	to a violation of the provisions of this Section shall be subject to the following
11	penalties:
12	(a) If the violation results in the injury of another person, the offender shall
13	be fined not less than two hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars and
14	may be subjected to a driver's license suspension for a period of not less than thirty
15	up to ninety days, or both.
16	(b) If the violation results in the serious bodily injury of another person, the
17	offender shall be fined <u>not less than</u> five hundred dollars <u>nor more than one thousand</u>
18	dollars and may be subjected to a driver's license suspension for a period of not less
19	than thirty up to one hundred eighty days, or both.
20	(c) If the violation results in the death of another person, the offender shall
21	be fined <u>not less than</u> one thousand dollars <u>nor more than five thousand dollars</u> and
22	may be subjected to a driver's license suspension for a period of not less than one
23	hundred eighty up to three hundred sixty days, or both.

1 (d) In addition to the fines and penalties set forth in Subparagraphs (a),(b), 2 and (c) of this Paragraph, whoever is responsible for these violations shall be subject 3 to the following penalties: 4 (i) If the violation results in serious bodily injury of another person as 5 defined in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the offender may be subjected to 6 imprisonment up to six months. 7 (ii) If the violation results in the death of another person, the offender may 8 be subject to imprisonment up to twelve months. 9 10 Section 2. This Act shall be designated and cited as the "Pickholtz Act". SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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