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Abstract: Prohibits pedestrians from walking on highways during certain time periods.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits any pedestrian from crossing an interstate highway, except in the case of an emergency.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits pedestrians from walking along and upon an adjacent highway if sidewalks are provided. Specifies where sidewalks are not provided a pedestrian walking on the highway must walk on the left side of the highway or shoulder when applicable, facing traffic which may approach from the opposite direction.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and prohibits pedestrians from walking on a highway that has a speed limit above 35 mph from sunrise to sunset.

(Amends R.S. 32:216(C))