

SENATE BILL NO. 124

BY SENATORS KLEINPETER, FOIL AND HARRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE GAROFALO

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:57(A), relative to motor vehicles and traffic regulation; to increase penalties for operating a vehicle without a properly attached license plate; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:57(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§57. Penalties; alternatives to citation

A. ~~The (1) Except as provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the~~ first violation of the provisions of this Chapter or any regulation of the department, secretary, and commissioner made pursuant thereto shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred seventy-five dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days, or both, unless otherwise specifically provided. A subsequent violation shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than ninety days, or both.

(2) If a violation of R.S. 32:53(A)(2) is committed in the preparation of or during the commission of a felony offense in order to escape detection, the violator shall be punished by an additional fine of two hundred dollars or by

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imprisonment of an additional thirty days, or both. For any violation of R.S. 32:53(A)(2), the vehicle may be immediately impounded.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____