
The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Xavier I. Alexander.

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Present law provides that tow truck operators engaged in the nonconsensual tow of a motor vehicle from any parking area shall not tow the motor vehicle unless the tow is authorized by a law enforcement agency or unless the motor vehicle has been tagged for removal.

Present law provides that any tow truck operator who tows a vehicle in violation of present law requirements shall be in violation of R.S. 14:68.4 (unauthorized use of a motor vehicle) and shall be subject to any applicable penalties prescribed by law, including revocation of towing license.

Present law further provides that lack of knowledge of the conduct of a tow truck employee shall not be a defense for the tow truck company.

Proposed law retains present law requirements and provides that a tow truck operator shall not be in violation of this Section if the operator reasonably believes that the person contracting with the tow truck company and giving authorization for a nonconsensual tow is the property owner.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Adds R.S. 32:1736(F))