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Bayham

Abstract: Provides a fine for using a shoulder or turning lane to overtake a vehicle stopped at a red light.

Present law provides penalties for violating rules regarding red traffic signal indications as follows:

- (1) When it results in an injury to another person, a \$200 to \$500 fine and potential suspension of the driver's license for 90 days, or both.
- (2) When it results in serious bodily injury to another person, a \$500 to \$1,000 fine, imprisonment for not more than six months, or both, and potential suspension of the driver's license for 180 days.
- (3) When it results in death of another person, a \$1,000 to \$5,000 fine, imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, and potential suspension of the driver's license for up to 365 days.

Proposed law adds a penalty of a \$250 fine when the offender uses the shoulder or turning lane to overtake a vehicle at a red indication, but an injury does not result.

(Amends R.S. 32:232(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 32:232(3)(h))