
DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C), office of motor vehicles (OMV), to create a permit for consensual noncommercial towing of vehicles.

Proposed law defines "consensual noncommercial towing" as the noncommercial movement or transportation of a vehicle by another vehicle with the prior consent or authorization of the owner or operator of the vehicle.

Proposed law defines "noncommercial towing" as the transportation of personal property for private, nonbusiness, or recreational purposes.

Proposed law requires the OMV to mandate that persons conducting consensual noncommercial towing obtain a permit.

Proposed law specifies that the permit must require compliance with the following:

- (1) Use of hazard lights while in tow.
- (2) Use of reflectors while in tow.
- (3) Use of signage indicating towing is in progress.
- (4) Use of proper equipment to safely tow the vehicle.

Proposed law requires the owner of a vehicle engaged in a consensual noncommercial tow ensure the department issued permit is attached to any vehicle while in tow and is clearly visible.

Proposed law provides for a fine of \$1,000 for violations of proposed law.

Proposed law provides rulemaking authority to the OMV to implement proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 32:1713(9) and (10) and 1715.1)