

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 330

BY SENATOR OWEN

TRAFFIC. Provides specifications for proper identification of school zones with automated speed enforcement. (8/1/26)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:47(A)(4) and to repeal 32:47(A)(5), relative to speed
3 enforcement measures; to provide for pavement markings in school zones; to provide
4 for school legends; to provide for compliance language with federal requirements;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 32:47(A)(4) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §47. Use of speed recording devices; restrictions

9 A. Automated speed enforcement devices or mobile speed cameras that are
10 used to issue a citation of an alleged violation by mail shall only be used by local
11 municipal authorities or local parish authorities in the following instances:

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13 ~~(4) Upon the entrance to each school zone, there shall be painted a two-~~
14 ~~foot-wide yellow stripe completely across the roadway with "Entering School Zone"~~
15 ~~painted in twelve-inch white lettering visible therein.~~ **Upon entrance to any school**
16 **zone equipped with automated speed enforcement devices, the word**
17 **"SCHOOL" shall be proportionately striped across the lane adjacent to the**

1 **S1-1 school sign and the lettering shall be white in color in accordance with the**
 2 **current edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The word**
 3 **"SCHOOL" shall not be required on nonasphaltic, nonconcrete roads, or any**
 4 **roads determined unsuitable by the appropriate state agency.**

5 Section 2. R.S. 32:47(A)(5) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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Present law provides an automated speed enforcement device or mobile speed camera that is used to issue a citation by mail can only be used by local municipal authorities or local parish authorities upon entrance to each school zone, where there shall be painted a two-foot-wide yellow stripe completely across the roadway with "Entering School Zone" painted in twelve-inch white lettering visible.

Proposed law changes the provision from a painted two-foot-wide yellow stripe completely across the roadway with "Entering School Zone" painted in twelve-inch white lettering visible at the entrance of a school zone to the word "SCHOOL" proportionately striped across the lane adjacent to the S1-1 school sign and white lettering at the entrance to any school zone equipped with automated speed enforcement devices, in accordance with the current edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Present law provides for a painted, two-foot-wide yellow stripe completely across the roadway with "School Zone Ahead" painted in 12 inch white lettering. Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 32:47(A)(4); repeals R.S. 32:47(A)(5))