DIGEST

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Willmott HB No. 861

Abstract: Prohibits common domestic animals from being transported in the back of pickup truck beds and utility trailers on certain highways unless properly crated or secured.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits drivers from transporting common domestic animals in the back of pickup trucks or utility trailers on certain roadways having a posted speed limit of 40 mph or greater.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides an exception for animals enclosed in a crate, container, or case which is safely secured to the motor vehicle or utility trailer.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides an exception for common domestic animals used for livestock, farming, or ranching.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the penalty for the first violation is punishable by a fine of not more than \$75. Specifies that the second offense is punishable by a fine of not more than \$150.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that each animal transported in violation of <u>proposed law</u> shall be considered a separate offense.

(Adds R.S. 32:284.1)