

SENATE BILL NO. 357

BY SENATOR CARTER

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To enact R.S. 32:44, relative to red light cameras; to require notification of red light camera locations; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:44 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§44. Required notification for red light cameras

A. Local municipal authorities or local parish authorities shall post signs, indicating that a red light camera is present, within five hundred feet of each red light camera, in such a manner as to be clearly visible to traffic approaching the red light camera.

B.(1) Failure of a municipal or parish authority to comply with Subsection A of this Section shall prohibit the use of any photographic or video images collected by the red light camera to impose or collect any civil or criminal fine, fee, or penalty by or on behalf of the municipal or parish authority.

(2) In any proceeding to collect a civil or criminal fine, fee, or penalty by or on behalf of a municipal or parish authority, a rebuttable presumption shall exist that signs were posted in accordance with Subsection A of this Section.

C. For the purposes of this Section, "red light camera" means a device installed at an intersection designed to collect photographic or video evidence of alleged traffic violations by recording images that depict the license plate or other identifying feature of a motor vehicle that is not operated in compliance with instruction of a traffic control signal or a posted traffic sign.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____