## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides for insurance bar codes on inspection stickers and insurance cards.

<u>Present law</u> requires insurance companies to issue cards or similar documents, or an image of a card or similar documents capable of being displayed on a mobile electronic device, which indicate the existence of insurance or security coverage.

<u>Proposed law</u> modifies <u>present law</u> by requiring insurance companies to add a bar code to the cards or similar documents that will also appear on the image of the card or similar documents capable of being displayed on a mobile electronic device, which indicate the existence of insurance or security coverage.

<u>Present law</u> provides that no action taken by any person, whether private citizen or public officer or employee, with regard to any license, registration, or inspection certificate, or with regard to any document, electronic image, which indicates compliance with <u>present law</u>, shall create a presumption of insurance coverage.

Proposed law adds bar codes on vehicles' inspection stickers to the presumption in present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides four types of documents evidencing that a motor vehicle is in compliance with <u>present law</u> relative to compulsory motor vehicle liability security.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a bar code on a valid inspection sticker which is linked to the owner's insurance information as a five type of document that can evidence that a motor vehicle is in compliance with <u>present law</u> relative to compulsory motor vehicle liability security.

<u>Present law</u> provides four types of documents that are the only acceptable means of proof of a valid and current policy of insurance.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a bar code on a valid inspection sticker which is linked to the owner of the vehicle's insurance information as a fifth type of document to prove a valid and current policy of insurance.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the person operating an official inspection station shall issue a certificate of inspection and approval upon an official form to the owner of a vehicle upon inspecting such vehicle and determining that its equipment required under the provisions of this act is in good condition and proper adjustment.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a requirement to <u>present law</u> requiring the person operating an official inspection station to validate the vehicle owner's insurance prior to issuing a certificate of inspection and approval.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the OMV shall distribute motor vehicle inspection stickers to each district office throughout the state for purchase by certified motor vehicle inspection stations, and that the stickers are in convenient book form.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the stickers to contain bar codes that allow the operators of an inspection station to link the owner of any vehicle's insurance coverage or security as required in present law.

(Amends R.S. 32:862(B)(1) and (H), 863.1(A)(intro. paragraph) and (B)(1) and 1306(B) and (E); Adds R.S. 32:863.1(A)(5) and (G)(5))