Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 1053

BY REPRESENTATIVE GAROFALO

MTR VEHICLE/TOWING: Repeals the prohibition on the impoundment of motor vehicles in certain circumstances

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AN ACT

2 To repeal R.S. 32:392.1, relative to motor vehicles; to repeal the prohibition on the

3 impoundment of motor vehicles in certain circumstances.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 32:392.1 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Repeals the provision of law prohibiting the impoundment of a private vehicle or motorcycle by a law enforcement officer when the vehicle is being operated by a La. resident and no imminent danger to the public is present.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits impoundment of a private passenger car, pickup truck, van, recreational vehicle, or motorcycle stopped while being operated by a La. resident by a law enforcement officer where such vehicle or operator, or both, present no imminent danger to the public.

<u>Present law</u> provides that an operator who is a resident of La. shall be issued a notice of noncompliance and allowed to proceed. Provides further that a law enforcement officer may remove the license plate from a private passenger car, pickup truck, van, recreational vehicle, or motorcycle.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the impoundment prohibition applies to a first violation and makes impoundment discretionary with the law enforcement officer for a second or subsequent violation.

Proposed law repeals present law.

(Repeals R.S. 32:392.1)