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Arnold HB No. 859

Abstract: Requires automated traffic enforcement systems to use a standardized caution light time.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires local municipal authorities or local parish authorities which utilize automated traffic enforcement systems to issue traffic citations use the maximum caution or "yellow light" interval duration of six seconds as recommended by the National Motorist Association Foundation and the Institute of Transportation Engineers' technical committee for all intersections, as the absolute minimum caution interval duration for any intersection utilizing an automated enforcement system.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "automated traffic enforcement system" as an unmanned or handheld camera or optical device installed to work in conjunction with a traffic control signal or radar speed detection equipment, or both, and designed to collect photographic evidence of alleged traffic violations for the issuance of traffic citations by recording images that depict the license plate or other identifying feature of a motor vehicle not in compliance with instruction of a traffic control signal or posted traffic sign.

(Adds R.S. 32:43)