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HOUSE BILL NO. 801

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BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

TRAFFIC/VIOLATIONS: Limits the types of citations which can be issued from automated speed enforcement systems

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:43, relative to automated speed enforcement systems; to limit the types of citations that can be issued on state highways; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:43 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§43. Automated speed enforcement system; prohibition; speed

A. No local governmental subdivision, political subdivision, or any agency or department thereof, shall utilize any automated speed enforcement system on any highway in this state to issue a citation or violation to, or to impose or collect a civil or criminal fine, fee, or penalty on, a person for operating a motor vehicle which exceeds the posted speed limit unless such motor vehicle is being operated at a speed in excess of ten miles per hour over the posted speed limit, except in a school speed zone.

B. For the purposes of this Section, the term "automated speed enforcement system" means 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.

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## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Prohibits the issuance of traffic citations from an automated speed enforcement system for a violation less than ten miles over the posted speed limit in this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits use by any local governmental subdivision or political subdivision or any agency or department thereof, of any automated speed enforcement system to issue a citation or violation for speed if the motor vehicle does not exceed the posted speed limit by more than ten miles per hour, except in a school zone.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "automated speed 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)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Transportation, Highways</u> and <u>Public Works</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

1. Made technical changes.