

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Owners of emergency vehicles are getting red light camera citations for going through red lights while operating in the line of duty.

As proposed, S.B. 926 prohibits a local authority from imposing or attempting to impose a civil penalty under this chapter on the owner of an authorized emergency vehicle.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 707, Transportation Code, by adding Section 707.0021, as follows:

Sec. 707.0021. IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY ON OWNER OF AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE. (a) Defines "authorized emergency vehicle."

(b) Prohibits a local authority from imposing or attempting to impose a civil penalty under this chapter on the owner of an authorized emergency vehicle.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2009.