

HB217 S01: STOLEN VEHICLE AMENDMENTS



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BACKGROUND

There is no current law restricting the period of time before a vehicle can be reported stolen. Some municipalities are requiring rental car companies to send out a 10-day demand letter prior to allowing them to report a car as stolen.



THE PROBLEM

Every minute counts when recovering a stolen vehicle. In the 10-day period before a rental company can report their car stolen, it could already be stripped or trafficked out of the country.



THE SOLUTION

HB217 prohibits a municipality or police department from enacting a law or rule imposing a time limit on a private individual's ability to report a vehicle as stolen. The law requires that rental companies cannot be required to wait longer than 48 hours to report a vehicle stolen.