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House Bill 386 Sponsor Statement

"An Act establishing a uniform format and procedure for citations for certain violations of state law; relating to the form, issuance, and disposition of citations for certain violations; relating to certain crimes and penalties for noncompliance with citations; and providing for an effective date."

House Bill 386 gives the Department of Public Safety necessary authority to prescribe a uniform citation format and process. Standardizing the citation process will improve efficiency and interdepartmental communications, facilitating electronic sharing of citation data between law enforcement, prosecution, courts and state and municipal collection departments.

By standardizing deadlines for payments, responses and paperwork filing by the citation issuer, HB 386 will also reduce confusion for citizens receiving citations and allow more fines to be paid through the courts' online e-payment system. A standard process is also an integral step in preparing for a statewide database and digital interoperability.

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