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California Assembly Bill 2645

Electronic Toll Collection Systems and Information Sharing: Law Enforcement

Effective January 1, 2025, California Assembly Bill 2645 (AB 2645) amended Section 31490 of the Streets and Highways Code to enhance information sharing between transportation agencies and law enforcement. Prior to this legislation, transportation agencies were generally prohibited from sharing personally identifiable information, including license plate numbers, with law enforcement agencies unless a search warrant was obtained. AB 2645 introduces an exception to this rule, allowing for more efficient information sharing in specific circumstances.

Key Principles of AB 2645

Information Sharing

- Transportation agencies employing electronic toll collection systems are now authorized to provide law enforcement agencies with the date, time, and location of a vehicle's use of a toll facility without the need for a search warrant, streamlining the process for law enforcement to obtain critical data during investigations.

Notification Protocols

- The California Highway Patrol (CHP), in consultation with transportation agencies, is required to develop a standard protocol for notifications. This protocol will outline how transportation agencies will receive notifications of the initiation and conclusion of alerts and report any notifications to the CHP and local law enforcement. According to the CHP Emergency Notification & Tactical Alert Center (ENTAC), the protocols have not been established as of July 28, 2025.

Implications for Law Enforcement

Enhanced Response Capabilities

- After the protocols are established by CHP, Law enforcement agencies will be able to access timely and specific data regarding vehicles identified in special alerts, such as Amber, Ebony, or Feather Alerts. This access allows for a more rapid and coordinated response to critical incidents.

All personnel of Deputy Sheriff and Park Ranger ranks are required to review and acknowledge this training bulletin no later than **Friday, August 29, 2025**.