

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license  
3 plates; to establish the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient,  
4 Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana" and the  
5 "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" specialty license  
6 plates; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, fees, implementation,  
7 distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide  
8 for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §463.214. Special prestige license plate; "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand  
12 Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of  
13 Louisiana"

14 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall  
15 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "United  
16 Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F.& A.M." plate, provided  
17 there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be  
18 restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles,  
19 and vans.

20 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of  
21 the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted  
22 Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana to select the color and design of the

1 plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design may include  
2 the words "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. &  
3 A.M."

4 C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any  
5 citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

6 D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of twenty-five dollars  
7 that shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This royalty  
8 fee shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article  
9 VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars  
10 and fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of  
11 administrative costs.

12 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded  
13 to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and  
14 Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana. The monies received from  
15 the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

16 F. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are  
17 necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

18 §463.215. Special prestige license plate; "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter  
19 Order of Eastern Star"

20 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall  
21 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Daughters  
22 of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" plate, provided there is a  
23 minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to  
24 use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

25 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of  
26 the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted  
27 Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana to select the color and design of the  
28 plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design may include  
29 the words "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star".

1                    C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any  
2                    citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

3                    D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of twenty-five dollars  
4                    that shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This royalty  
5                    fee shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article  
6                    VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars  
7                    and fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of  
8                    administrative costs.

9                    E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded  
10                   to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and  
11                   Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana. The monies received  
12                   from the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

13                   F. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are  
14                   necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

15                   Section 2. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor  
16                   vehicles, is hereby directed to create these special prestige license plates when the applicable  
17                   statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new  
18                   plates.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_