

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 679 (Substitute for House Bill No. 630 by Representative Bayham)

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC: Reduces the fee applicable to updating a driver's license to comply with REAL ID standards to a handling fee

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:413(F), relative to the fee for updating a driver's license to be compliant  
3 with REAL ID standards; to prohibit a duplicate fee from being applied to applicants  
4 updating or renewing a driver's license solely for the REAL ID credential; to only  
5 require payment of a handling fee for purposes of updating a driver's license to be  
6 REAL ID compliant; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 32:413(F) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §413. Loss or destruction of licenses; duplicate driver's license

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11 F. An applicant seeking to update a driver's license to become REAL ID  
12 compliant prior to the renewal eligibility of the driver's license shall be exempt from  
13 the fee imposed under this Section for the issuance of a duplicate license. The  
14 applicant shall be required to pay the handling fee as set forth in R.S.  
15 32:412.1(B)(1)(c).

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**DIGEST**

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HB 679 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Reduces the fee applicable to updating a driver's license to comply with REAL ID standards to a handling fee.

Present law requires the office of motor vehicles collect, in addition to any fee authorized by law, a handling charge of \$12 for each duplicate Class "D" and "E" driver's license transactions.

Proposed law specifies that an applicant seeking to update a driver's license to become REAL ID compliant prior to the renewal eligibility of the driver's license is exempt from the fee imposed in present law for the issuance of a duplicate license. Additionally, requires the applicant pay the handling fee as set forth in present law.

(Adds R.S. 32:413(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make a technical change.