

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 127

BY REPRESENTATIVE STOKES

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.188, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to provide
3 for the "United States Merchant Marine Academy" specialty license plate; to provide
4 for the creation, issuance, and design of such license plates; to authorize the
5 promulgation of rules and regulations relative to the creation and implementation of
6 a special prestige plate; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.188 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §463.188. Special prestige license plate; United States Merchant Marine Academy,
10 Kings Point

11 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
12 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate for the United States
13 Merchant Marine Academy. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars,
14 pickup trucks, vans, and recreational vehicles.

15 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the United States Merchant
16 Marine Academy KP New Orleans Alumni Chapter to select the color and design of
17 the plate, provided that it is in compliance with all requirements of R.S.
18 47:463(A)(3).

19 C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any
20 graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy who resides in Louisiana
21 in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

22 D. The first special prestige license plate shall be reserved for purchase at
23 the direction of the United States Merchant Marine Academy KP New Orleans
24 Alumni Chapter.

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

7 F. The annual royalty fee collected by the department shall be forwarded to
8 the United States Merchant Marine Academy KP New Orleans Alumni Chapter or
9 its successor organization.

10 G. The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations as are necessary to
11 implement the provisions of this Section.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____