

ACT No. 125

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 65

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENSGENS

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.192, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to provide
3 for the establishment of the "Sabine Pass Lighthouse" special prestige license plate;
4 to provide for creation, issuance, and design of such license plates; to provide
5 relative to the fee and distribution of fees for such plates; to authorize the
6 promulgation of rules and regulations relative to the creation and implementation of
7 a special prestige license plate; to provide an effective date; and to provide for
8 related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.192 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §463.192. Special prestige license plate; "Sabine Pass Lighthouse"

12 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
13 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Sabine
14 Pass Lighthouse" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for
15 such plate. These license plates shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup
16 trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

17 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the president of the Cameron
18 Preservation Alliance-Sabine Pass Lighthouse, Inc. to select the color and design of
19 the plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall
20 include the words "Sabine Pass Lighthouse".

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

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

7 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
 8 to the Cameron Preservation Alliance-Sabine Pass Lighthouse, Inc. The monies
 9 received from the royalty fees shall be used for the restoration and stabilization of
 10 the Sabine Pass Lighthouse.

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

13 Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2018.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____