

2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 17

BY SENATOR MIZELL

FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS. Provides for the distribution of fees collected from the "Save the Honeybee" prestige license plate. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.157(E), relative to motor vehicle prestige license plates;
3 to provide relative to the "Save the Honeybee" special prestige license plate; to
4 authorize financial aid for certain postgraduate students; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.157(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8 §463.157. Special prestige license plate; "Save the Honeybee"

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10 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
11 to the Louisiana Beekeepers Association, Incorporated, or its successor organization.
12 The money received shall be used solely for financial aid for graduate ~~students~~ **and**
13 **postgraduate students enrolled in a Louisiana postsecondary institution** working
14 on applied honey bee research projects at the United States Department of
15 Agriculture Agricultural Research Service Honey Bee Breeding, Genetics and
16 Physiology Research Laboratory in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The Louisiana
17 Beekeepers Association, Incorporated, shall establish and disburse the funds for the

1 scholarship program.

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3 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
4 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
5 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
6 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
7 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Archana D. Cadge.

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Present law creates the "Save the Honeybee" special prestige license plate and provides for fees, distribution of fees, issuance, design of the plate, and the promulgation of rules.

Present law requires monies received from the collection of fees are used solely for financial aid to graduate students working on applied honey bee research projects at the U.S.D.A. Agricultural Research Service Honey Bee Breeding, Genetics and Physiology Research Laboratory in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Proposed law retains present law and further authorizes postgraduate students enrolled in a Louisiana postsecondary institution working on applied honey bee research projects at the U.S.D.A. Agricultural Research Service Honey Bee Breeding, Genetics and Physiology Research Laboratory in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to receive financial aid from the royalty fees.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 47:463.157(E))