

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

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MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates specialty license plates.

DIGEST

Proposed law requires monies from the "3' for Cyclists" special license plate royalty fee be used solely to assist the Metro Bicycle Coalition of New Orleans.

Proposed law requires the monies from the "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation" plates be used to assist with the costs of wildlife rehabilitation and for grants to licensed wildlife rehabilitators and licensed wildlife rehabilitation centers.

Proposed law requires monies from the "St. Thomas Aquinas" specialty license plate be solely used to assist the administration.

Proposed law requires monies from the "Evangel Christian Academy" plate be used solely to assist the school.

Proposed law requires monies from "United States Submarine Veterans" be used to provide scholarships for children.

Proposed law requires monies from "Leesville High School Alumni" be used to provide scholarships.

Proposed law requires monies from "Humane Society of Louisiana" be used to fund spay and neuter programs to help with current overpopulation of animals.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections issue a special prestige license plates to be known as the "3' for Cyclists", "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation", "St. Thomas Aquinas", "Evangel Christian Academy", "United States Submarine Veterans", "Leesville High School Alumni", and "Humane Society of Louisiana" specialty license plates, provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for each plate.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections issue a special prestige license plates to be known as the "St. Thomas Aquinas" specialty license plate, provided there is a minimum of 100 applicants for the plate.

Proposed law requires that the secretary work in conjunction with the Metro Bicycle Coalition of New Orleans to select the color and design of the "3' for Cyclists" plate. Further requires the design include the words "3' for Cyclists".

Proposed law requires that the secretary work in conjunction with the NOLA Wildlife Center to select the color and design of the "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation" plate. Further requires the design to include an image or logo of a wild animal, and include the words "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation".

Proposed law requires the secretary work in conjunction with St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic school to select the color and design of the "St. Thomas Aquinas" plate. Further requires the design to include the words "St. Thomas Aquinas".

Proposed law requires that the secretary work in conjunction with Evangel Christian Academy administration to select the color and design of the "Evangel Christian Academy" plate. Further requires the design to include the words "Evangel Christian Academy".

Proposed law requires the secretary to work in conjunction with the United States Submarine Veterans Charitable Foundation, Inc., to select the color and design of the United States

Submarine Veterans" plate. Further requires the design to include the words "United States Submarine Veterans".

Proposed law requires the secretary to work in conjunction with the Alumni Association Executive Board, to select the color and design of the "Leesville High School Alumni" plate. Further requires the design include the words "Leesville High School Alumni".

Proposed law requires the secretary to work in conjunction with the Humane Society of Louisiana, to select the color and design of the "Humane Society of Louisiana" plate. Further requires the design include the words "Humane Society of Louisiana".

Proposed law specifies that the license plates be issued, upon application, to any citizen of La. in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

Proposed law requires the department to collect an annual royalty fee of \$25 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax and a \$3.50 handling fee for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law requires the secretary to promulgate and adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions provided in proposed law.

Directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to create the "3' for Cyclists", "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation", "St. Thomas Aquinas", "Evangel Christian Academy", "United States Submarine Veterans", "Leesville High School Alumni", and "Humane Society of Louisiana" speciality license plates when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new plates.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.230 through 463.236)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Change the "Share the Road" specialty plate to the "3' for Cyclists" plate.
2. Add the "Icitte on parle français", "Bienvenue en Louisiane", "Lâche Pas", "Bayou Indian", "Bayou Cajun", "Je Chasse au Grand Chenier", "United States Submarine Veterans", "Leesville High School Alumni", and the "Humane Society of Louisiana" special prestige license plates and provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and promulgation of rules applicable to these plates.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Delete provisions that would have created the following specialty license plates: "Icitte on parle français", "Bienvenue en Louisiane", "Lâche Pas", "Bayou Indian", "Bayou Cajun", and "Je Chasse au Grand Chenier".

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the reengrossed bill

1. Changes the "Support Our Wildlife Rehabilitators" specialty plate to the "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation" plate.

2. Changes the entity working with the secretary on the "Support Wildlife Rehabilitation" specialty plate from the Wildlife Rehabilitation Support Council to the NOLA Wildlife Center.
3. Authorizes the NOLA Wildlife Center to use the specialty plate royalty fees to issue grants to licensed rehabilitators and licensed wildlife rehabilitation centers.
4. Changes the minimum number of plates that must be ordered for the "St. Thomas Aquinas" specialty plate from 1,000 to 100.
5. Makes technical changes.