

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 494

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILLARD AND CHASSION

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1321(A), relative to special identification cards; to provide
3 access to special identification cards for children of a certain age; to provide an
4 effective date; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1321(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1321. State identification cards; special identification cards; issuance; veteran
8 designation; disabled veteran designation; university logo; "I'm a Cajun"
9 designation; needs accommodation designation; autism spectrum disorder
10 designation; fees; expiration and renewal; exceptions; promulgation of rules;
11 promotion of use; persons less than twenty-one years of age; the Protect and
12 Save our Children Program; Selective Service Registration

13 A. Any Louisiana resident may obtain a special identification card from the
14 office of motor vehicles within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections,
15 hereinafter referred to as "OMV". The identifying information and documents of
16 identification required to obtain a special identification card shall be the same as
17 those required to obtain a Louisiana driver's license, as stated in R.S. 32:409.1.
18 However, if the applicant is seventeen years of age, the signature of the custodial
19 parent or guardian shall not be required, provided the applicant has the necessary
20 identifying information and documents. If the applicant is fourteen to sixteen years
21 of age and is accompanied by a person over the age of twenty-one years with whom

1 he lives, or the applicant is accompanied by a person over the age of twenty-one
2 years who works for a non-profit agency that assists children under the age of
3 eighteen, that person may sign in lieu of the custodial parent or guardian for the
4 issuance of a special identification card, provided the applicant has the necessary
5 identifying information, documents, and is not requesting a REAL ID.

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7 Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2025.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____