

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 587

BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome specialty license plate

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle prestige license plates; to establish the
3 "PANS/PANDAS" specialty license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance,
4 design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such
5 license plates; to provide for the deposit of royalty proceeds into the state general
6 fund; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.243 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §463.243. Special prestige license plate; "PANS/PANDAS"

10 A.(1) The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections,
11 office of motor vehicles, shall establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate
12 to be known as the "PANS/PANDAS" plate, provided that there is a minimum of one
13 thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger
14 cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

15 (2) The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
16 vehicles, shall create this special prestige license plate when the applicable statutory
17 provisions are met and the department's electronic vehicle and registration system
18 is updated to accommodate the creation of the new plates.

19 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the local artist selected by
20 the member, as well as families, community members and representatives of

1 organizations supporting awareness of Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric
 2 Syndrome to develop and select the color and design of the plate, provided that it is
 3 in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the words
 4 "PANS/PANDAS".

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

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

13 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and credited
 14 to the state general fund of the state of Louisiana.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates the "PANS/PANDAS" special prestige license plate and provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distributions, and promulgation of rules applicable to this license plate.

Proposed law requires that the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles (OMV), issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "PANS/PANDAS" license plate, provided that there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plates.

Proposed law specifies that the plate is restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans. Further directs the DPS&C, OMV, to create this special prestige license plate when the applicable statutory provisions are met and the department's electronic vehicle and registration system is updated to accommodate the creation of the new plates.

Proposed law requires that the secretary work in conjunction with the local artist selected by the member to select the color and design of the plate.

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

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

Proposed law requires monies received from royalty fees to be credited to the state general fund of the state of La.

Proposed law requires the secretary promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.243)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make technical changes.
2. Redesignate uncoded language to a statutory provision that requires the office of motor vehicles create the "PANS/PANDAS" plate when the applicable statutory provisions are met and the department's electronic vehicle and registration system is updated to accommodate the creation of the new plates.