
DIGEST

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HB 331 Engrossed

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Abstract: Creates the "Louisiana GOP" special prestige license plate and provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distributions, and promulgation of rules applicable to these license plates.

Proposed law requires that the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C), office of motor vehicles (OMV), issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "Louisiana GOP" 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 the secretary work in conjunction with the Republican Party of La. to select the color and design of the plate. Requires the design include the words "Louisiana GOP".

Proposed law specifies that the plate 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 the annual royalty fee collected by the dept. be forwarded to the Republican Party of La. and all monies be used solely for the activities of the Republican Party 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 uncodified language to a statutory provision that requires the office of motor vehicles to create the "Louisiana GOP" 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.