

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 428

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" specialty license plate

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to  
3 establish the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions"  
4 specialty license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, consent,  
5 implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license  
6 plate; 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; "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers  
10 College World Series Champions"

11 A.(1) The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall  
12 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "2023 and  
13 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" plate, provided that  
14 there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be  
15 restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles,  
16 and vans.

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

1           B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the Louisiana State  
2           University Board of Supervisors to select the color and design of the plate, provided  
3           it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the words  
4           "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions".

5           C.(1) The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to  
6           any citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

7           (2) Application for a special prestige license plate under this Section  
8           constitutes prior written consent and instruction by the applicant to the department  
9           to provide his name, address, and birth date to Louisiana State University. The  
10          secretary shall ensure that the application for the plate includes a statement granting  
11          such consent.

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

18          E.(1) The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and  
19          forwarded to Louisiana State University as a charitable donation to the university by  
20          the applicant.

21          (2) The monies received by Louisiana State University shall be used solely  
22          for academic or financial need-based scholarships.

23          F. Upon signing of a contract authorizing the use of the logo of Louisiana  
24          State University, the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections  
25          shall establish the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series  
26          Champions" license plate in accordance with this Section.

27          G. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are  
28          necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

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DIGEST

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HB 428 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Creates the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" special prestige license plate and provides for the creation, issuance, design, consent, implementation, fees, distributions, and promulgation of rules applicable to this license plate.

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 "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" 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 specifies that application for a special prestige license plate under proposed law constitutes prior written consent and instruction by the applicant to the dept. to provide his personal identifying information to La. State University. Further requires 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 LSU Bd. of Supervisors to select the color and design of the plate. Requires the design include the words "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions".

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 royalty 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 department collect an annual royalty fee and forward it to LSU as a charitable donation to the school by the applicant. Further specifies that the monies received by LSU can only be used for academic or financial need-based scholarships.

Proposed law specifies that after the signing of a contract that authorizes the use of the LSU logo, the secretary of DPS&C must establish the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" license plate in accordance with proposed law.

Proposed law requires the secretary promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as 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. Change the "Louisiana State University Baseball National Champions 2025" special prestige license plate to "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" special prestige license plate.
3. Redesignate uncodified language to a statutory provision that requires the office of motor vehicles to create the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" 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.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Delete the requirement that the Department of Public Safety and Corrections retain one dollar from each annual fee to offset administrative costs from the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" special prestige license plates.
2. Add a requirement that the department collect the annual royalty fee and forward the entire fee to Louisiana State University as a charitable donation by the applicant.