

## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

**HB 801**

**2026 Regular Session**

**Martinez**

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "Classic Black" specialty license plate

### Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes the name of the special prestige license plate from "Classic Black" to "Classic Black We Will Never Forget: Caroline and Maggie".

### Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Proposed law requires 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 "Classic Black We Will Never Forget: Caroline and Maggie" 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 the special prestige license plate when applicable statutory provisions are met and the department's electronic vehicle and registration system is updated to accommodate creation of the new plates.

Proposed law requires the plate to display the license plate number as a white alpha-numeric series on a black background. Requires the design include a white border with "LOUISIANA" centered at the top of the plate.

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 a one-time 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 department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law requires the annual royalty be fee collected by the department and forwarded to the Donald J. Thibodeaux Training Center in Zachary, La. Further requires the monies received from the royalty fees be used for emergency vehicle operations training for local governments pursuant to present law.

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

(Adds R.S. 47:463.243)