

ACT No. 78

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 587

BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON

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, as well as
20 families, community members, and representatives of organizations supporting
21 awareness of Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome to develop and
22 select the color and design of the plate, provided that it is in compliance with R.S.
23 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the words "PANS/PANDAS".

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

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

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

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____