

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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New law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C), office of motor vehicles (OMV), to 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 plate.

New 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.

New law requires the plate 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.

New 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.

New law requires an annual royalty fee of \$25 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed in existing law and a handling fee of \$3.50 for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

New law requires the collected annual royalty be 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 existing law.

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

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.243)