

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 146

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana" license plate

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.166, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to provide  
3 for the "Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana" special prestige plate; to provide for  
4 creation, issuance, and design of such license plates; to provide relative to the fee for  
5 such plates; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations relative to the  
6 creation and implementation of such prestige license plate; and to provide for related  
7 matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.166 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §463.166. Special prestige license plates; "Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana"

11 A. 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 "Hunters  
13 for the Hungry Louisiana" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand  
14 applicants for such plate. These license plates shall be restricted to use on passenger  
15 cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, and vans.

16 B. The license plate color and design shall be selected by the board of  
17 directors of the Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana, a nonprofit corporation qualified  
18 as tax exempt pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, provided  
19 it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3) and shall bear the words "Hunters for the  
20 Hungry Louisiana".

1           C. The prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen  
2           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           which shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This fee  
5           shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII,  
6           Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars and  
7           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 collected by the department shall be forwarded to  
10          the Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund special account known as the "Hunters  
11          for the Hungry Louisiana Account". No more than ten percent of the monies in the  
12          account shall be used for administrative costs. The balance shall be used solely by  
13          Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana to pay for the processing and distribution of meats,  
14          when such meats shall be used by a nonprofit entity or charitable organization in  
15          food or meal distribution at no cost to an individual pursuant to R.S. 56:644.

16          F. The secretary shall establish rules and regulations as are necessary to  
17          implement the provisions of this Section.

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#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Creates the Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana special prestige license plate. Provides for fees, distribution of fees, issuance, creation, and design of the license plate and promulgation of rules.

Proposed law requires the secretary of Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to issue special prestige license plates to be known as the "Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana" license plate, provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants.

Proposed law provides the license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

Proposed law requires the department to collect an annual royalty fee of \$25, as well as a handling fee of \$3.50 for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law provides that monies collected by the department and forwarded to the Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund special account known as the "Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana Account". Provides that no more than 10% of the monies in the account can be used for administrative costs. Specifies that the balance be used solely for Hunters for the Hungry Louisiana to pay for the processing and distribution of meats when such meats are used by a nonprofit entity or charitable organization in food or meal distribution at no cost to an individual pursuant to present law.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.166)