

SENATE BILL NO. 472

BY SENATORS JOHNS AND PERRY

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.196 and 463.197, relative to motor vehicles; to provide for the
3 "Autism" special prestige license plate; to provide for the "Louisiana Motor
4 Transport Association" special prestige license plate; to provide for the creation,
5 issuance, and design of such plates; to authorize adoption of rules and regulations;
6 to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.196 and 463.197 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 **§463.196. Special prestige license plate; "Autism"**

10 **A. The deputy secretary of the Department of Public Safety and**
11 **Corrections, public safety services, shall establish a special prestige motor**
12 **vehicle license plate to be known as the "Autism" plate. The plate shall be**
13 **restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, motorcycles, recreational**
14 **vehicles, and vans.**

15 **B. The deputy secretary shall work in conjunction with the Autism**
16 **Society-Louisiana State Chapter, Inc. (LSAC) to select the color and design of**
17 **the plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall**
18 **include the word "Autism".**

19 **C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to**
20 **any resident of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license**
21 **plate.**

22 **D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of twenty-five**
23 **dollars that shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section.**
24 **This royalty fee shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax**

1 imposed by Article VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a
2 handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the
3 department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

4 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and
5 forwarded to the Autism Society-Louisiana State Chapter, Inc. (LSAC).

6 F. The deputy secretary shall adopt rules and regulations as are
7 necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

8 §463.197. Special prestige license plate; "Louisiana Motor Transport
9 Association"

10 A. The deputy secretary of the Department of Public Safety and
11 Corrections shall establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be
12 known as the "Louisiana Motor Transport Association" plate. The license plate
13 shall be available for use on any personal motor vehicle or commercial vehicle
14 under sixteen thousand pounds which does not require apportioned plates as
15 established by the International Registration Plan.

16 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the executive director
17 of the Louisiana Motor Transport Association, Inc. to select the color and
18 design of the plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3).

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

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

28 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and
29 forwarded to the Louisiana Motor Transport Association, Education
30 Foundation.

1 **F. The deputy secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and**
2 **regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.**

3 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2019.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____