

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 505

BY REPRESENTATIVE ADAMS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" and the "En français S.V.P" specialty license plate

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.210 and 463.211, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license  
3 plates; to provide for the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" special prestige license  
4 plate; to establish the "En français S.V.P" specialty license plate; to provide for the  
5 creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation  
6 applicable to such license plates; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.210 and 463.211 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §463.210. Special prestige license plate; "West Feliciana Parish Schools"

10 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall  
11 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "West  
12 Feliciana Parish Schools" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand  
13 applicants for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars,  
14 pickup trucks, motorcycles, recreational vehicles, and vans.

15 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the superintendent of West  
16 Feliciana Parish Schools, or his designee, to select the color and design of the plate,  
17 provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the  
18 words "West Feliciana Parish Schools".

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

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

7           E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded  
8           to the West Feliciana Parish Public School System.

9           F. The secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations as are necessary to  
10          implement the provisions of this Section.

11          §463.211. Special prestige license plate; "En français S.V.P"

12           A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall  
13           establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "En  
14           français S.V.P" plate, provided there are a minimum of one thousand applicants for  
15           such plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks,  
16           recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

17           B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the Saint LUC French  
18           Immersion and Cultural Campus Board of Directors to select the color and design  
19           of the plate, provided the design is in compliance with R.S. 46:463(A)(3). The  
20           design shall include the phrase "Saint LUC. En français SVP " and shall also include  
21           a prominent logo.

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

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

1           E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and disbursed  
2           solely to fund programming at the Saint LUC French Immersion and Cultural  
3           Campus.

4           F. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are  
5           necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

6           Section 2. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor  
7           vehicles, is hereby directed to create these special prestige license plates when the applicable  
8           statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new  
9           plates.

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DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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HB 505 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Creates the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" and "En français S.V.P" special prestige license plates. Provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and promulgation of rules applicable to these license plates.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections issue special prestige license plates to be known as the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" and the "En français S.V.P" license plates, provided there are a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plates.

Proposed law requires the secretary work in conjunction with the superintendent of West Feliciana Parish Schools, or his designee, for the color and design of the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" plate.

Proposed law requires the secretary work in conjunction with the Saint LUC French Immersion and Cultural Campus Board of Directors to select the color and design of the "En français S.V.P" license plate, provided the design is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). Requires the design include the phrase "Saint LUC. En français SVP " and a prominent logo.

Proposed law specifies the license plates will be issued to any citizen of La. in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

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

Proposed law requires monies received from the royalty fees for the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" be forwarded to the West Feliciana Parish Public School System.

Proposed law requires monies received from the royalty fees for the "En français S.V.P" be disbursed solely to fund programming at the Saint LUC French Immersion and Cultural Campus.

Proposed law requires the secretary to adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions provided for in proposed law.

Directs the office of motor vehicles to create the "West Feliciana Parish Schools" and "En français S.V.P" specialty license plates when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new plates.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.210 and 463.211)

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Require the Department of Public Safety and Corrections issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "En français S.V.P" license plate, provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plate.
2. Require the secretary work in conjunction with the Saint LUC French Immersion and Cultural Campus Board of Directors to select the color and design of the plate, provided the design is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). Require the design include the phrase "Saint LUC. En français SVP " and a prominent logo.
3. Add a provision to specify the license plate be issued, upon application, to any citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.
4. Require the department collect an annual royalty fee of \$25 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax and a \$3.50 handling fee for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.
5. Require monies received from the royalty fees be disbursed solely to fund programming at the Saint LUC French Immersion and Cultural Campus.
6. Require the secretary to promulgate and adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of proposed law.
7. Direct the office of motor vehicles to create the "En français S.V.P" specialty license plate when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new plates.
8. Make technical changes.