

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 92

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "Laissez les ARTS Rouler" specialty license plate

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.214, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to provide  
3 for the "Laissez les ARTS Rouler" special prestige license plate; to provide for the  
4 creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation  
5 applicable to such license plate; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.214 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §463.214. Special prestige license plate; "Laissez les ARTS Rouler"

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

14 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the president of Northeast  
15 Louisiana Arts Council and the chair of the Louisiana Partnership for the Arts to  
16 select the color and design of the plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S.  
17 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the words "Laissez les ARTS Rouler".

18 C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any  
19 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 Louisiana Partnership for the Arts. The monies received from the royalty fees  
 9           shall be used for the Louisiana Partnership for the Arts educational and engagement  
 10          efforts, and other related programs on behalf of public support for the arts, in the  
 11          state of Louisiana.

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

14          Section 2. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor  
 15          vehicles, is hereby directed to create the special prestige license plate when the applicable  
 16          statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new  
 17          plates.

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#### DIGEST

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HB 92 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Creates the "Laissez les ARTS Rouler" special prestige license plate. Provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and promulgation of rules applicable to this license plate.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "Laissez les ARTS Rouler" license plate, provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plate.

Proposed law requires the secretary to work in conjunction with the president of Northeast Louisiana Arts Council and chair of the La. Partnership for the Arts for the color and design of the plate.

Proposed law specifies the license plate 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 the monies received from the royalty fees to be forwarded to the La. Partnership for the Arts. Specifies that the monies received from the royalty fees will be used for the Louisiana Partnership for the Arts educational and engagement efforts, and other related programs on behalf of public support for the arts, in the state of La.

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

Directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to create the "Laissez les ARTS Rouler" specialty license plate when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new plates.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.214)