

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. & A.M." and the "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star" specialty license plates

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license
3 plates; to establish the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient,
4 Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana" and the
5 "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" specialty license
6 plates; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, fees, implementation,
7 distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide
8 for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §463.214. Special prestige license plate; "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand
12 Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of
13 Louisiana"

14 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
15 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "United
16 Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F.& A.M." plate, provided
17 there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be
18 restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles,
19 and vans.

1 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of
2 the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted
3 Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana to select the color and design of the
4 plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design may include
5 the words "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. &
6 A.M."

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

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

15 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
16 to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and
17 Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana. The monies received from
18 the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

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

21 §463.215. Special prestige license plate; "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter
22 Order of Eastern Star"

23 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
24 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Daughters
25 of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" plate, provided there is a
26 minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to
27 use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

28 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of
29 the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted

1 Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana to select the color and design of the
2 plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design may include
3 the words "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star".

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

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

12 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
13 to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and
14 Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana. The monies received
15 from the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

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

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

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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Abstract: Creates the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. & A.M." and the "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" 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 to issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. & A.M." and the "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" license plates, provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for each plate.

Proposed law requires that the secretary work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of La. to select the color and design of the plates.

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

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 each plate to be forwarded to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of La. Specifies that the monies received from the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

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

Directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to create the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. & A.M." and the "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" speciality license plates when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new plates.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make technical changes.