

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 92

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

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.

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

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

4 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded  
5 to the Louisiana Partnership for the Arts. The monies received from the royalty fees  
6 shall be used for the Louisiana Partnership for the Arts educational and engagement  
7 efforts, and other related programs on behalf of public support for the arts, in the  
8 state of Louisiana.

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

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

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_