

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 520

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

MOTOR VEHICLES: Creates the "Utility Lineman" and the "Louisiana Soccer Association" special prestige license plates

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.225 and 226, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates;
3 to provide for the establishment of the "Utility Lineman" and the "Louisiana Soccer
4 Association" special prestige license plates; to provide for creation, issuance, design,
5 fees, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide for
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.225 and 226 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §463.225. Special prestige license plate; "Utility Lineman"

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 "Utility
12 Lineman" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for the
13 plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks,
14 recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

15 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the Utility Lineman
16 Association or any association affiliated with Utility Lineman to select the color and
17 design of the plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design
18 shall include the words "Utility Lineman".

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

3 D. The charge for the special plate shall be the regular motor vehicle license
4 fee charged under the provisions of R.S. 47:463. The department shall collect a
5 handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the
6 department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

7 E. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are
8 necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

9 §463.226. Special prestige license plate; "Louisiana Soccer Association"

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 "Louisiana
12 Soccer Association" plate, provided there are a minimum of one thousand applicants
13 for the plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks,
14 recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

15 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the president of the
16 Louisiana Soccer Association or his designee to select the color and design of the
17 plate, provided the design is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3).

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 fee
22 shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII,
23 Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana and a handling fee of three dollars and
24 fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of
25 administrative costs.

26 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
27 to the Louisiana Soccer Association to be used in support of its mission of growing,
28 promoting, and enhancing the culture of soccer across Louisiana.

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

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

DIGEST

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HB 520 Reengrossed

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Carrier

Abstract: Creates the "Utility Lineman" and the "Louisiana Soccer Association" special prestige license plates. Provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, and promulgation for rules applicable to these license plates.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to issue special prestige license plates to be known as the "Utility Lineman" and the "Louisiana Soccer Association" license plates provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plates.

Proposed law requires the secretary work in conjunction with the Utility Lineman Association or any affiliate of the Utility Lineman to select the design of the plate. Requires the design include the words "Utility Lineman". Additionally, requires the secretary to work in conjunction with the president of the Louisiana Soccer Association to select the design of the plate. Requires the design to include the words "Louisiana Soccer Association".

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

Proposed law requires that the department collect 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 secretary 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 "Utility Lineman" and the "Louisiana Soccer Association" 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. 47:463.225 and 226)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Create the "Louisiana Soccer Association" special prestige license plate.

3. Add provisions that provide for the issuance, design, fees, and rule promulgation applicable to the special prestige license plate for the "Louisiana Soccer Association".