

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 492

BY SENATOR FESI

FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS. Provides relative to the Leeville Bridge toll fee. (8/1/24)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 47:820.5.4(B)(6) through (9) and to enact R.S. 47:820.5.4(B)(10)
3 and 820.5.4.1, relative to the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge, also known as the Leeville
4 Bridge toll fee; to provide for vehicle requirements relative to motor vehicles and
5 trailers; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 47:820.5.4(B)(6) through (9) are hereby amended and reenacted and
8 R.S. 47:820.5.4(B)(10) and 820.5.4.1 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §820.5.4. LA 1 Project toll violations

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13 **(6) "Recreational vessel" means any vessel that is manufactured or used**
14 **primarily for pleasure, or leased, rented, or chartered to a person for the**
15 **pleasure of that person. The term "recreational vessel" does not include a vessel**
16 **that is engaged in commercial use or carries paying passengers.**

17 ~~(6)~~(7) "Registered owner" means a person in whose name a motor vehicle or

1 trailer is registered under the law of a jurisdiction, including a person issued a dealer
2 or transporter registration plate or a lessor of motor vehicles for public lease.

3 ~~(7)~~**(8)** "Toll" or "tolls" means tolls, fees, or charges as imposed, revised, and
4 adjusted from time to time by LTA.

5 ~~(8)~~**(9)** "Toll tag" means the electronic device that the LTA issues for use with
6 the ETC on the LA 1 Project.

7 ~~(9)~~**(10)** "Valid toll-tag account" means an existing toll-tag account with the
8 LTA with a balance of not less than fifty cents. "Toll" or "tolls" means tolls, fees, or
9 charges as imposed, revised, and adjusted from time to time by LTA.

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11 **§820.5.4.1. LA 1 recreational vessel toll payments**

12 **For purposes of proper classification in the LA 1 toll schedule, any**
13 **vehicle towing a recreational vessel that exceeds the Class 1 specifications shall**
14 **pay the applicable Class 2 toll rate.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Archana D. Cadge.

DIGEST

SB 492 Reengrossed

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Present law provides for payment of vehicles and trailers.

Proposed law provides for definition.

Proposed law provides an exception for vehicles towing recreational vessels.

Proposed law makes technical changes.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 47:820.5.4(B)(6)-(9); adds R.S. 47:820.5.4(B)(10) and 820.5.4.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation,
Highways, and Public Works to the original bill

1. Makes technical changes.

2. Adds definitions.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Makes technical changes.