

ACT No. 156

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 698

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:414(N), relative to the suspension of driving and motor
3 vehicle registration privileges; to provide for penalties for payments and fees made
4 with an insufficient funds check or any form of payment that is the subject of a
5 chargeback; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 32:414(N) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §414. Suspension, revocation, renewal, and cancellation of licenses; judicial review

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10 N.(1) The department may suspend the driving and motor vehicle
11 registration privileges of any person who pays taxes or fees to either the office of
12 motor vehicles or to a public license tag agent contracted with and acting on behalf
13 of the office of motor vehicles, with a check which is subsequently dishonored for
14 insufficient funds, if the person fails to redeem the check within thirty days after the
15 date notice of suspension is mailed to the licensee by the department. The period of
16 suspension shall begin thirty days after the date the notice of suspension is mailed
17 to the licensee by the department. Any license so suspended shall remain suspended
18 until all pending assessments against the person, including a reinstatement fee
19 provided for in Subsection H of this Section, have been paid, ~~in cash. No economic~~
20 ~~hardship license shall be issued when a person's driving and motor vehicle~~
21 ~~registration privileges have been suspended under the provisions of this Subsection.~~

1 (2) The department may suspend the driving and motor vehicle registration
 2 privileges of any person who pays taxes or fees to either the office of motor vehicles
 3 or to a public license tag agent contracted with and acting on behalf of the office of
 4 motor vehicles, with a credit or debit card or any form of electronic payment that is
 5 the subject of a chargeback, if the person fails to make the required payment within
 6 thirty days after the date notice of suspension is mailed to the licensee by the
 7 department. The period of suspension shall begin thirty days after the date the notice
 8 of suspension is mailed to the licensee by the department.

9 (3) The department shall promulgate rules as may be necessary to implement
 10 the provisions of this Subsection.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____