DIGEST

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HB 510 Engrossed

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Abstract: Authorizes the town of Golden Meadow, in Lafourche Parish, to designate certain alternative pathways along Department of Transportation and Development highways.

Proposed law defines "town", "governing authority", "golf cart", and "low-speed vehicle".

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies that the governing authority may authorize the operation of golf carts and low-speed vehicles only on the shoulder of a public road and street in the town with a speed limit of 30 mph or less, except on La. Hwy. 3235. Additionally, specifies that the authorization must be included in an ordinance and recorded in the minutes of the governing authority.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires any person operating a golf cart or low-speed vehicle on the shoulder of a public road or street to have in his possession a valid driver's license from this state and proof of insurance in accordance with <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires any person operating a golf cart or low-speed vehicle on the shoulder of a public road or street in the town to be properly licensed to operate a vehicle upon any highway within this state and have in his possession proof of insurance as required by <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the owner of a golf cart or low-speed vehicle operated as authorized under <u>proposed law</u> on the shoulder of a street or a public road to register the vehicle with the governing authority. Additionally, requires the owner of the golf cart or low-speed vehicle be issued a registration decal by the governing authority that must be displayed as determined by the governing authority.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the governing authority to establish a registration fee for golf carts and low-speed vehicles by ordinance. Additionally, requires the registration fee be retained by the municipal clerk and deposited into the municipal general fund.

(Adds R.S. 32:297.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Provide an exception to the application of <u>proposed law</u> authorizing the operation of golf carts and low-speed vehicles for Louisiana Highway 3235.