

HOUSE BILL NO. 249

BY REPRESENTATIVE GUINN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:127.1, relative to highway right-of-way crossings; to authorize golf carts to cross United States Highway 90 and Louisiana Highway 99 in the town of Welsh; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:127.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§127.1. Golf cart crossings

A. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, upon final approval of the Department of Transportation and Development, golf carts are authorized to cross United States Highway 90 and Louisiana Highway 99 on marked or designated paths or crossings for such vehicles within the town limits of Welsh between sunrise and sunset. The department shall consult with the governing authority of the town of Welsh to determine which intersection or intersections of United States Highway 90 and intersection or intersections of Louisiana Highway 99 within the town limits of Welsh would provide the most convenient and safest location for golf cart crossings.

B. A valid driver's license shall be a prerequisite for operating a golf cart when crossing United States Highway 90 and Louisiana Highway 99 in the town of Welsh.

1 C. Crossing signs may be posted by the Department of Transportation and
2 Development at the request of the governing authority of the town of Welsh.

3 D. The Department of Transportation and Development, with the
4 consultation and advice of the governing authority of the town of Welsh, shall
5 formulate guidelines to determine where such crossing signs shall be placed in
6 accordance with the provisions of this Section.

7 E. For the purposes of this Section, the provisions of R.S. 32:53(D), 235(C),
8 261, and Chapter 5 of this Title shall not apply, and golf carts shall not be considered
9 a vehicle for purposes of defining "equipment" as referenced in Part V of Chapter 1
10 of this Title.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____