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HOUSE BILL NO. 1197

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHRODER

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the Lake Ponchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc., special prestige license plate

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.165, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to provide
3 for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc., special prestige license
4 plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, and design of such license plates; to
5 provide relative to the fee and distribution of fees for such plates; to authorize the
6 promulgation of rules and regulations relative to the creation and implementation of
7 a special prestige license plate; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.165 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §463.165. Special prestige license plates; Lake Pontchartrain Maritime Museum,
11 Inc.

12 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
13 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Shine On!
14 Save the Tchefuncte River Lighthouse" plate, provided there is a minimum of one
15 thousand applicants for such plate. These license plates shall be restricted to use on
16 passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, and vans.

17 B. The license plate color and design shall be selected by the Lake
18 Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc., provided it is in compliance with R.S.
19 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the words "Shine On! Save the Tchefuncte
20 River Lighthouse".

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

3 D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of thirty dollars, which
4 shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This fee shall be
5 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII, Section
6 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents
7 for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative
8 costs.

9 E. The annual royalty fee collected by the department shall be forwarded to
10 the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc., to be use for the Lighthouse
11 Restoration Project.

12 F. The secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations as are necessary to
13 implement the provisions of this Section.

DIGEST

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HB No. 1197

Abstract: Creates a special prestige license plate for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc.

Proposed law provides for the design, creation, and issuance of the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc., license plate provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants.

Proposed law provides the license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate. The plate will include the words, "Shine On! Save the Tchefuncte River Lighthouse".

Proposed law provides for the collection of a \$30 royalty fee, as well as a handling fee of \$3.50 for each plate, to be retained by the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law provides that monies collected by the department and forwarded to the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Maritime Museum, Inc., or its successor organization, shall be used for the Lighthouse Restoration Project.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.165)