

ACT No. 148

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 106

BY REPRESENTATIVE LOPINTO

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:53(A) and to repeal R.S. 47:507, relative to motor vehicle
3 license plates; to provide for the proper display of license plates; and to provide for
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:53(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §53. Proper equipment required on vehicles; display of plate

8 A.(1) No person shall drive or move, nor cause or knowingly permit any
9 vehicle owned or controlled by him to be driven or moved, on any highway of this
10 state, at any time, any vehicle or combination of vehicles which is in such unsafe
11 condition as to endanger any person or property, or which does not contain those
12 parts or is not at all times equipped with such lamps and other equipment, in proper
13 condition and adjustment, as required in this Chapter, or which is constructed or
14 equipped in any manner in violation of this Chapter, and no person shall do any act
15 forbidden or fail to perform any act required under this Chapter.

16 (2) The permanent registration license plate assigned to a trailer, semitrailer,
17 motorcycle, or other motor vehicle shall be attached to the rear thereof.
18 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the permanent registration license plate assigned to
19 any truck having a gross vehicle weight in excess of ten thousand pounds or to any
20 dump truck may be attached to either the front or rear thereof. For the purposes of
21 this Section, dump truck means any truck with a bed that raises to dump a load. The
22 permanent registration license plate shall be so displayed during the current
23 registration year, except as otherwise provided herein.

24 (3) Every permanent registration license plate shall at all times be securely
25 fastened to the vehicle to which it is assigned, so as to prevent the plate from

1 swinging, and at a height not less than twelve inches from the ground, measuring
2 from the bottom of such plate, in a place and position to be clearly visible, and shall
3 be maintained free from foreign materials and in a condition to be clearly legible.

4 (4) The provisions of this Section shall not be construed to prohibit placing
5 a permanent registration license plate on a rear fender as long as it is facing to the
6 rear of the vehicle.

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8 Section 2. R.S. 47:507 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____