

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 182

BY REPRESENTATIVES GISCLAIR AND BALDONE

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R. S. 47:820.5.6, relative to exemptions from tolls on the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge;
3 to provide for the exemptions from tolls for emergency vehicles under certain
4 circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 47:820.5.6 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §820.5.6. Free and unhampered passage on the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge; emergency
8 vehicles

9 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, all emergency
10 vehicles shall have free and unhampered passage crossing the Tomey J. Doucet
11 Bridge on Louisiana Highway 1 in Leesville, Louisiana.

12 B. For the purposes of this Section, "emergency vehicles" shall be defined
13 as all emergency vehicles performing a public service that permits them, under
14 existing laws and regulations, to display emergency vehicle lights in order to carry
15 out ambulance functions in accordance with the laws relative thereto, when such
16 lights are in actual use. This shall also apply to emergency vehicles privately owned
17 but entitled to such public emergency usage. Any emergency vehicle positioned on
18 the south side of the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge in case of an emergency shall also have
19 free and unhampered passage crossing the bridge.

1 C. The Department of Transportation and Development shall, in accordance
2 with the Administrative Procedure Act, adopt rules and regulations for the efficient
3 implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this Section.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____