

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "I'm Cajun" and "I'm Creole" prestige license plates. (8/1/13)

DIGEST

Proposed law requires the secretary of Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to issue special prestige license plates to be known as the "I'm Cajun" license plate and the "I'm Creole" license plate.

Proposed law provides that each prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen of La. in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

Proposed law authorizes the Council for the Development of French in La. to design the "I'm Cajun" prestige license plate, provided such design bears the words "I'm Cajun...and proud".

Proposed law requires the department to collect an annual royalty fee of \$15 for each "I'm Cajun" prestige plate issued and specifies that such fees be forwarded to the Council for the Development of French in La. to solely fund scholarships for "La Fondation Louisiane for the Escadrille Louisiane" program. Further specifies that the standard license registration fee and a handling fee of \$3.50 be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law authorizes the Holy Rosary Redevelopment to design the "I'm Creole" prestige license plate, provided such design bears the words "I'm Creole...and proud".

Proposed law requires the department to collect an annual royalty fee of \$15 for each "I'm Creole" prestige plate issued and specifies that such fees be forwarded to the Holy Rosary Redevelopment or its successor nonprofit corporation and used solely for the redevelopment of the Holy Rosary Institute in Lafayette, Louisiana. Further specifies that the standard license registration fee and a handling fee of \$3.50 be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law requires the secretary to adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions provided in proposed law.

Effective date August 1, 2013.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.160 and 463.161)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Added provisions to require the secretary of Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to issue special prestige license plates to be known as the "I'm Creole" license plate.
2. Added provisions to provide that the "I'm Creole" prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen of La. in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate and provides for fees, distribution of fees, issuance, creation, and design of the license plate and promulgation of rules.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the reengrossed bill

1. Authorized the Holy Rosary Redevelopment to design the "I'm Creole" prestige license plate.
2. Added provisions to require the DPS&C to collect an annual royalty fee of \$15 for the "I'm Creole" prestige license plate, to require the distribution of such fee to Holy Rosary Redevelopment, or its successor nonprofit corporation, and to require the use of fees for redevelopment of the Holy Rosary Institute in Lafayette, LA.