

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 765

2020 Regular Session

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MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "LSU National Champions" specialty license plate

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Makes technical changes.
2. Removes the requirement that the department receive a minimum of 1,000 applicants for the plate to be created.
3. Provides that an application for the special prestige license plate constitutes prior written consent and instruction by the applicant to the department to provide the applicants name, address, and birth date to La. State University and requires that the secretary ensure that the application includes a statement granting such consent.
4. Increases the annual fee collected by the department for the special prestige license plate from \$25 to \$51 and requires the monies be used solely for academic or financial need-based scholarships rather than LSU Foundation awards.
5. Decreases the fee collected by the department to offset administrative costs from \$3.50 to \$1 and requires the remainder of the fee be forwarded to La. State University and considered a charitable donation.
6. Requires that the rules and regulations established by the secretary govern the collection and disbursement of fees, the transfer and disposition of the license plates, the colors available, and the design criteria.
7. Requires that the secretary establish the "Louisiana State University National Championship Plate 2019" upon the signing of a contract authorizing the use of the logo of Louisiana State University.
8. Provides that the special license plate is not subject to the design requirements provided in present law.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Proposed law requires that the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "Louisiana State University National Champions 2019" license plate.

Proposed law specifies that the plate is restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

Proposed law requires that the secretary work in conjunction with La. State University Bd. of Supervisors to select the color and design of the plate and requires that the year "2019" be displayed on the plate.

Proposed law specifies that the plate will be issued, upon application, to any citizen of the state in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

Proposed law provides that an application for the special prestige license plate constitutes

prior written consent and instruction by the applicant to the department to provide the applicants name, address, and birth date to La. State University and requires that the secretary ensure the application includes a statement granting such consent.

Proposed law requires that the department collect an annual fee of \$51 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by present law and a handling fee of \$1 for each plate to be retained by the department to offset administrative costs.

Proposed law requires that the annual fee be collected by the department and forwarded to La. State University to be used for academic or financial need-based scholarships. Proposed law specifies that the amount forwarded to the institution is considered a charitable donation to La. State University by the applicant.

Proposed law requires that the secretary promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions of proposed law, including but not limited to rules and regulations governing the collection and disbursement of fees, the transfer and disposition of the license plates, the colors available, and the design criteria.

Proposed law requires that the secretary establish the "Louisiana State University National Championship Plate 2019" upon the signing of a contract authorizing the use of the logo of La. State University.

Proposed law provides that the license plate is not subject to the design requirements provided in present law.

Proposed law specifies that an applicant may request the plate at no additional cost above the annual fee and the annual vehicle registration license tax as provided in present law, upon the promulgation of rules and regulations by the department and in the event the motor vehicle registration system of the office of motor vehicles is re-engineered or other technology is otherwise made available that would allow for the issuance of the special prestige license plate.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.209)