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HOUSE BILL NO. 857

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BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON

MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES: Creates the "Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation" specialty license plate

AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.214, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to 3 establish the "Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation" specialty license plate; to provide 4 for the creation, issuance, design, fees, implementation, distribution, and rule 5 promulgation applicable to such license plate; to provide an effective date; and to 6 provide for related matters. 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.214 is hereby enacted to read as follows: 9 §463.214. Special prestige license plate; "Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation" 10 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall 11 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Louisiana 12 Wild Turkey Federation" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand 13 applicants for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, 14 pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans. 15 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the secretary of the 16 Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation, Inc. to select the color and design of the plate, 17 provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include 18 NWTF Conserve. Hunt. Share. and the Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation official 19 logo.

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

1	C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any
2	citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.
3	D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of twenty-five dollars
4	that shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This fee
5	shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII,
6	Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars and
7	fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of
8	administrative costs.
9	E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
10	to the Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation. The monies received from the royalty fees
11	shall be used to aid in conservation of the wild turkey through management and
12	habitat improvement, collaborative work with other conservation organizations and
13	government entities, research, and the preservation of the National Wild Turkey
14	Federation hunting heritage that supports the traditions of safe, ethical hunting and
15	teach conservation principals.
16	F. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are
17	necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.
18	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
19	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
20	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
21	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
22	effective on the day following such approval.
23	Section 3. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
24	vehicles, is hereby directed to create the special prestige license plate when the applicable
25	statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new
26	plates.

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Creates the "Louisiana Wild Turkey Federation" special prestige license plate. Provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and promulgation of rules applicable to this license plate.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "La. Wild Turkey Federation" license plate, provided there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plate.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that the secretary work in conjunction with La. Wild Turkey Federation to select the color and design of the plate. <u>Proposed law</u> requires the design include NWTF Conserve.Hunt.Share. and the La. Wild Turkey Federation official logo.

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

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the department to collect an annual royalty fee of \$25 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax and a \$3.50 handling fee for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires monies received from the royalty fees to be forwarded to the La. Wild Turkey Federation, Inc. Specifies that the monies received from the royalty fees will be used to aid in conservation of the wild turkey through management and habitat improvement, collaborative work with other conservation organizations and government entities, research, and the preservation of the National Wild Turkey Federation hunting heritage that supports the traditions of safe, ethical hunting and teach conservation principals.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the secretary to promulgate and adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions provided in proposed law.

Directs the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to create the "La. Wild Turkey Federation" speciality license plate when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new plates.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.214)