

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 447

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, BAGLEY, BERAULT, CARRIER, COATES,
FISHER, FREIBERG, KERNER, LAFLEUR, LYONS, MARCELLE, ROMERO,
AND ZERINGUE

MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC: Increases the driver's license fee and the specific portion directed to the litter abatement fund

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(A)(1), (2), (5), and (6) and (B)(1), (2), and (7)(e)(i)(aa),
3 (cc), (dd)(I), and (ee) and (ii)(aa), (cc), (dd)(I), and (ee), relative to the litter
4 abatement fund; to provide for an increase to the driver's license fee; to provide for
5 the dedication of the driver's license fee; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide
6 for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 32:412(A)(1), (2), (5), and (6) and (B)(1), (2), and (7)(e)(i)(aa), (cc),
9 (dd)(I), and (ee) and (ii)(aa), (cc), (dd)(I), and (ee) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
10 as follows:

11 §412. Amount of fees; credit or refund; duration of license; veteran designation;
12 disabled veteran designation; university logo; "I'm a Cajun" designation;
13 needs accommodation designation; autism spectrum disorder designation;
14 disbursement of funds; renewal by mail or electronic commerce of Class "D"
15 or "E" drivers' licenses; disposition of certain fees; exception

16 A.(1) Every applicant for a Class "D" driver's license, or for a renewal of a
17 Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New
18 Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of ~~forty-two~~ forty-eight dollars and
19 seventy-five cents. Eleven dollars and fifteen cents of the fee shall be paid to the

1 Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. ~~One~~ Seven dollars and fifty cents
2 of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which
3 is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

4 (2) The fee for Class "D" driver's licenses, or renewal of a Class "D" driver's
5 license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans shall be ~~fifty-four~~
6 sixty dollars, fifteen dollars of which shall be payable by the department to the board
7 of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. One dollar and
8 eighty-four cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement
9 System Fund. ~~One dollar~~ Seven dollars and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded
10 by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within the
11 Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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13 (5) Every applicant for a Class "E" driver's license, or for a renewal of a Class
14 "E" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, shall
15 pay for such basic license a fee of twenty-six dollars and twenty-five cents, which
16 shall be the cost of such basic license. Five dollars and sixty-three cents of the fee
17 shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. ~~One dollar~~
18 Seven dollars and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the
19 litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the
20 provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

21 (6) The fee for a Class "E" driver's license, or renewal of a Class "E" driver's
22 license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans shall be twenty-six
23 dollars and twenty-five cents, three dollars and seventy-five cents of which shall be
24 paid by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension funds of the city
25 of New Orleans. Three dollars and seventy-five cents of the fee shall be paid to the
26 Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. ~~One dollar~~ Seven dollars and fifty
27 cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account
28 which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S.
29 56:10(B)(15).

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1 (cc) Seventy-five cents of the fee shall be paid to the office of state police.

2 Two dollars and seventy-five cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State
3 Police Retirement System Fund. ~~One dollar~~ Seven dollars and fifty cents of the fee
4 shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created
5 within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

6 (dd)(I) Every applicant seventy years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's
7 license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide
8 residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of ~~twenty-~~
9 ~~two~~ twenty-eight dollars and thirteen cents, which shall be the cost of the license.
10 The license shall expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is
11 nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked,
12 canceled, or suspended.

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14 (ee) Five dollars and fifty-six cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana
15 State Police Pension and Retirement System Fund. ~~One dollar~~ Seven dollars and fifty
16 cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account
17 which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S.
18 56:10(B)(15).

19 (ii)(aa) Every applicant seventy years of age or older for a Class "E" driver's
20 license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, issued to bona fide
21 residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of ~~six~~
22 twelve dollars and seventy-five cents, which shall be the cost of the license. This
23 license shall expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is
24 nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked,
25 canceled, or suspended.

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27 (cc) One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be paid to the Board of
28 Trustees of the Police Pension Fund of the city of New Orleans. One dollar and fifty
29 cents of the fee shall be paid to the State Police Pension and Retirement Fund. ~~One~~

1 account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of
2 R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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4 B.(1) Every applicant for a Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's
5 license, or for a renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's
6 license, except for those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for
7 such basic license a fee of ~~sixty-seven~~ sixty-one dollars and fifty cents. Sixteen
8 dollars and twenty cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police
9 Retirement System Fund. ~~Seven dollars~~ One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be
10 forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within
11 the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

12 (2) The fee for a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, or
13 for the renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, issued
14 to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans shall be ~~eighty-two~~ seventy-six
15 dollars and fifty cents, fifteen dollars of which fee shall be paid by the department
16 to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Fifteen
17 dollars of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund.
18 ~~Seven dollars~~ One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the
19 department to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation
20 Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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24 (e)(i)(aa) Every applicant seventy years of age or older for a Class "E"
25 driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, except those bona
26 fide residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of
27 ~~twelve~~ six dollars and seventy-five cents, which shall be the cost of the license. The
28 license shall expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is

1 nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked,
2 canceled, or suspended.

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4 (cc) Seventy-five cents of the fee shall be paid to the office of state police.
5 Two dollars and seventy-five cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State
6 Police Retirement System Fund. ~~Seven dollars~~ One dollar and fifty cents of the fee
7 shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created
8 within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

9 (dd)(I) Every applicant seventy years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's
10 license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide
11 residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of ~~twenty-~~
12 ~~eight~~ twenty-two dollars and thirteen cents, which shall be the cost of the license.
13 The license shall expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is
14 nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked,
15 canceled, or suspended.

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17 (ee) Five dollars and fifty-six cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana
18 State Police Pension and Retirement System Fund. ~~Seven dollars~~ One dollar and fifty
19 cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account
20 which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S.
21 56:10(B)(15).

22 (ii)(aa) Every applicant seventy years of age or older for a Class "E" driver's
23 license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, issued to bona fide
24 residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of ~~twelve~~
25 six dollars and seventy-five cents, which shall be the cost of the license. This license
26 shall expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is nearest to a
27 date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked, canceled,
28 or suspended.

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DIGEST

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HB 447 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Increases the driver's license fee for all classes of driver's licenses as an additional source of revenue to fund the litter program.

Present law specifies that every applicant for a Class "D" driver's license, or renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of New Orleans, must pay for such basic license fee of \$42.75. Requires that \$11.15 be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Specifies that the remaining \$1.50 of the fee will be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law increases the basic license fee in present law from \$42.75 to \$48.75 and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law requires the fee for Class "D" driver's licenses, or renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans be \$54, \$15 of which must be payable by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Further requires \$1.84 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Additionally \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law increases the fee for Class "D" driver's licenses renewal issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans from \$54 to \$60 and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that every applicant for a Class "E" driver's license, or for a renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, must pay a basic license fee of \$20.25, which is the cost of the basic license. Requires \$5.63 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Additionally \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law increases the basic license fee for a Class "E" driver's license, or for a renewal of a Class "E" driver's license from \$20.25 to \$26.25 and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that the fee for a Class "E" driver's license, or renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans must be \$20.25, \$3.75 of which must be paid by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Requires that \$3.75 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Additionally \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law increases the fee for a Class "E" driver's license, or for a renewal of a Class "E" driver's license from \$20.25 to \$26.25 for the bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law requires that every applicant for a Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, or for a renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, except for those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, to pay the basic license fee of \$61.50. Further requires \$16.25 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System

Fund. Additionally \$1.50 of the fee is to be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law increases the commercial driver's license, or a renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, from \$61 to \$66 and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that the fee for a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, or for the renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans must be \$76.50, \$15 of which fee must be paid by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Further specifies \$15 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Additionally \$1.50 of the fee must be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law increases the commercial driver's license, or a renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license, from \$76.50 to \$82.50 and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "E" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, must pay the basic license fee of six dollars and seventy- five cents, which is the cost of the license. Further specifies the license will expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked, canceled, or suspended.

Proposed law increases the amount for every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "E" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, from \$6.75 to \$12.75 and changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that 75¢ of the fee must be paid to the office of state police. Further specifies that \$2.75 of the fee must be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Additionally, \$1.50 of the fee must be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, must pay the basic license fee of \$22.13, which is the cost of the license. Further specifies that the license will expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked, canceled, or suspended.

Proposed law increases the fee for every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" basic driver's license from \$22.13 to \$28.13.

Present law specifies that \$5.56 of the fee must be paid to the La. State Police Pension and Retirement System Fund. Further specifies that \$1.50 of the fee must be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "E" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, issued to bona fide residents of the

city of New Orleans, must pay the basic license fee of \$6.75, which is the cost of the license. Further specifies that the license will expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked, canceled, or suspended.

Proposed law changes the fee for every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "E" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "E" driver's license, from \$6.75 cents to \$12.75.

Present law specifies that \$1.50 of the fee must be paid to the Board of Trustees of the Police Pension Fund of the city of New Orleans. Further specifies that \$1.50 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Pension and Retirement Fund. Additionally, \$1.50 of the fee must be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Present law specifies that for every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, the applicant must pay the basic license fee of \$27.75. Further specifies that the license will expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked, canceled, or suspended.

Proposed law increases the fee that every applicant 70 years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" driver's license must pay from \$27.75 to \$33.75.

Present law specifies that \$7.50 of the fee must be payable by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Requires 92¢ of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Pension and Retirement Fund. Further specifies that \$1.50 of the fee must be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account.

Proposed law changes the fee to be forwarded to the litter abatement account from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

Proposed law specifies that the increased driver's license fees and dedications will become effective on July 1, 2024.

Proposed law reverses the increase in the fees for Class A, B, C, D, and E driver's licenses as well as the associated increased amounts dedicated to the litter abatement account back to the pre-increase amounts in existence prior to the passage of this Act on July 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 32:412(A)(1), (2), (5), and (6) and (B)(1), (2), and (7)(e)(i)(aa), (cc), (dd)(I), and (ee) and (ii)(aa), (cc), (dd)(I), and (ee))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Increase the driver's license fee for all classes of drivers (Class A, B, C, D, and E) by \$6.00 as an additional source of revenue and require those funds be forwarded to the litter abatement account.
2. Add a two-year sunset law on this Act.
3. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add a section that authorizes the reversion of increases in the fees for Class A, B, C, D, and E driver's licenses and the associated increased amounts dedicated to the litter abatement account back to the pre-increase amounts in existence prior to the passage of this Act on July 1, 2026.
2. Make technical changes.