

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 631

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC: Reduces the fee applicable to updating a name on a driver's license

1 AN ACT

2 To amend R.S. 32:412 (A)(1), (2), (5), and (6) and (B)(1) and (2) and (7)(e)(i)(dd)(I) and
3 (ee), and (ii)(dd)(I) and (ee) relative to updating the name on a driver's license; to
4 reduce the fee for a driver's license exclusively for the purpose of updating the name;
5 to preserve the original renewal date on the updated license; prohibits the reduced
6 fee from being applied towards contribution payments; and to provide for related
7 matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

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

11 §412. Amount of fees; credit or refund; duration of license; veteran designation;
12 special needs or accommodation designations; disbursement of funds;
13 renewal by mail or electronic commerce of Class "D" or "E" drivers' licenses;
14 disposition of certain fees; exception

15 A.(1) Every applicant for a Class "D" driver's license, or for a renewal of a
16 Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New
17 Orleans and applicants updating their name, shall pay for such basic license a fee of
18 forty-two dollars and seventy-five cents. Notwithstanding any other provision of
19 law to the contrary, the fee for an applicant requesting a name change on a Class "D"
20 driver's license shall be ten dollars and this fee shall be exempt from the

contributions specified in this Paragraph. The renewal date on the original license shall remain unchanged on the updated license. Eleven dollars and fifteen cents of the basic license fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the basic license fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

(2) 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 ,except those applicants updating their name, shall be fifty-four dollars;. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the fee for bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans requesting a name change on a Class "D" driver's license shall be ten dollars and this fee shall be exempt from the contributions specified in this Paragraph. The renewal date on the original license shall remain unchanged on the updated license. ~~fifteen~~ Fifteen dollars of ~~which~~ the basic license fee shall be payable by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. One dollar and eighty-four cents of the basic license fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the basic license fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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(5) 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 and applicants updating their name, shall pay for such basic license a fee of twenty dollars and twenty-five cents, which shall be the cost of such basic license. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the fee for an applicant requesting a name change on a Class "E" driver's license shall be ten dollars and this fee shall be exempt from the contributions specified in this Paragraph. The renewal date on the original license shall remain unchanged on the updated license. Five

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

5 (6) The fee for a Class "E" driver's license, or renewal of a Class "E" driver's
6 license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans ,except those
7 applicants updating their name, shall be twenty dollars and twenty-five cents;
8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the fee for bona fide
9 residents of the city of New Orleans requesting a name change on a Class "E"
10 driver's license shall be ten dollars and this fee shall be exempt from the
11 contributions specified in this Paragraph. The renewal date on the original license
12 shall remain unchanged on the updated license. ~~three~~ Three dollars and seventy-five
13 cents of ~~which~~ the basic license fee shall be paid by the department to the board of
14 trustees of the police pension funds of the city of New Orleans. Three dollars and
15 seventy-five cents of the basic license fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police
16 Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the basic license fee shall be
17 forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within
18 the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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20 B.(1) Every applicant for a Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's
21 license, or for a renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's
22 license, except for those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans and
23 applicants updating their name, shall pay for such basic license a fee of sixty-one
24 dollars and fifty cents. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
25 the fee for an applicant requesting a name change on a Class "A", "B", or "C"
26 commercial driver's license shall be ten dollars, and this fee shall be exempt from the
27 contributions specified in this Paragraph. The renewal date on the original license
28 shall remain unchanged on the updated license. Sixteen dollars and twenty cents of
29 the basic license fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System

Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the basic license fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

(2) 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 ,except those applicants updating their name, shall be seventy-six dollars and fifty cents; Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the fee for bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans requesting a name change on a Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license shall be ten dollars, and this fee shall be exempt from the contributions specified in this Paragraph. The renewal date on the original license shall remain unchanged on the updated license. ~~fifteen~~ Fifteen dollars of ~~which the~~ basic license fee shall be paid by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Fifteen dollars of the basic license fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the basic license fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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(dd)(I) Every applicant seventy 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 and applicants updating their name, shall pay for such basic license a fee of twenty-two dollars and thirteen cents, which shall be the cost of the license. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the fee for applicants seventy years of age or older requesting a name change on a Class "D" driver's license shall be ten dollars. The renewal date on the original

1 license shall remain unchanged on the updated license. The license shall expire on
2 the anniversary of the birthday of the applicant which is nearest to a date of six years
3 subsequent to the issuing of the license, unless revoked, canceled, or suspended.

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5 (ee) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the fee for
6 applicants seventy years of age or older requesting a name change on a Class "E"
7 driver's license shall be exempt from the contributions specified in this Subitem.

8 Five dollars and fifty-six cents of the basic license fee shall be paid to the Louisiana
9 State Police Pension and Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the
10 basic license fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account
11 which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S.
12 56:10(B)(15).

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14 (ii)

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16 (dd)(I) Every applicant seventy years of age or older for a Class "D" driver's
17 license, or for the renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, issued to bona fide
18 residents of the city of New Orleans , except those updating their name, shall pay for
19 such basic license a fee of twenty-seven dollars and seventy-five cents, which shall
20 be the cost of the license. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
21 contrary, the fee for bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans seventy years of
22 age or older requesting a name change on a Class "D" driver's license shall be ten
23 dollars. The renewal date on the original license shall remain unchanged on the
24 updated license. This license shall expire on the anniversary of the birthday of the
25 applicant which is nearest to a date of six years subsequent to the issuing of the
26 license, unless revoked, canceled, or suspended.

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28 (ee) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the fee for
29 applicants seventy years of age or older requesting a name change on a Class "D"
30 driver's license shall be exempt from the contributions specified in this Paragraph.

1 Seven dollars and fifty cents of the basic license fee shall be payable by the
2 department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New
3 Orleans. Ninety-two cents of the basic license fee shall be paid to the State Police
4 Pension and Retirement Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the basic license fee
5 shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement account which is created
6 within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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DIGEST

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HB 631 Original

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Abstract: Reduces the driver's license fee to \$10 for applicants updating their names and exempts this fee from the required contributions applicable to the basic fees. Requires the renewal date on the original driver's license remain unchanged on the updated driver's license.

Present law specifies that every applicant for a Class "D" driver's license, or for a renewal of a Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, must pay a basic license fee of \$42.75. Specifies, that \$11.15 of the fee must be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 must be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by adjusting the driver's license fee for Class "D" applicants updating their name on this credential from \$42.75 to \$10 and exempts the fee from the required contributions in present law applicable to a basic license. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law specifies that 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 must be \$54. Further, requires \$15 be payable by the dept. to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans and \$1.84 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund. Further, requires that \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by adjusting the fee of a Class "D" driver's license issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans exclusively for applicants updating their name from \$54 to \$10 and exempts the fee from the required contributions in present law that are applicable to a basic license. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law requires 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, pay a basic license fee of \$20.25. Additionally, requires \$5.63 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the dept. to the litter

abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by adjusting the driver's license fee for Class "E" applicants updating their name from \$20.25 to \$10 and exempts the fee from the required contributions in present law that are applicable to a basic license. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law requires 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 be \$20.25, \$3.75 of is be paid by the dept. to the board of trustees of the police pension funds of the city of New Orleans. Additionally, requires \$3.75 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by adjusting the fee of a Class "E" driver's license issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans exclusively for applicants updating a name from \$20.25 to \$10 and exempts the fee from the required contributions in present law that are applicable to the basic license. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law specifies 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, pay a basic license fee of \$61.50. Additionally, specifies that \$16.20 of the fee must be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and that \$1.50 of the fee must be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by adjusting the commercial driver's license fee for Class "A", "B", or "C" applicants updating a name from \$61.50 to \$10 and exempts the fee from the required contributions that are applicable to the basic license. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law requires 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 be \$76.50, \$15 of which fee is paid by the dept. to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. Additionally, requires \$15 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by adjusting the fee of a Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's license issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans exclusively for applicants updating a name from \$76.50 to \$10 and exempts the fee from the required contributions in present law that are applicable to the basic license. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

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 a basic license fee of \$22.13. Additionally, requires the license 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 modifies present law by adjusting the driver's license fee for Class "D" applicants 70 years of age or older updating a name from \$22.13 to \$10. Further, requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law requires that \$5.56 of the fee be paid to the La. State Police Pension and Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by exempting individuals aged 70 or older from the required contributions when updating the name on a Class "D" driver's license, thereby waiving the basic license fees for these applicants.

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, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, pay a basic license fee of \$27.75. Additionally, specifies that this 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 modifies present law by adjusting the fee of a Class "D" driver's license issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans 70 years of age or older exclusively changing a name from \$27.75 to \$10 and requires the renewal date on the original license remain unchanged on the updated license.

Present law requires that \$7.50 of the fee be payable by the dept. to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans and ninety- two cents of the fee be paid to the State Police Pension and Retirement Fund. Additionally requires that \$1.50 of the fee be forwarded by the dept. to the litter abatement account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of present law.

Proposed law modifies present law by exempting bona fide residents of New Orleans that are 70 years of age or older from the required contributions when updating the name on a Class "D" driver's license, thereby waiving the basic license fees for these applicants.

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