

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 520

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TAX/SALES-USE-EXEMPT: Establishes a state and local sales and use tax exemption for certain antique motor vehicles and increases the fee for issuance of special license plates for those vehicles

DIGEST

Proposed law establishes an exemption from state and local sales and use taxes on non-commercial motor vehicles manufactured at least 35 years ago and valued in excess of \$10,000. Defines such vehicles as "antique motor vehicles" for purposes of proposed law relative to the sales and use tax exemption. Further provides that for purposes of proposed law "used for commercial purposes" shall not include use within La. in the production of a motion picture.

Present law establishes a one-time \$25 fee for issuance of a special license plate for certain antique motor vehicles and motorcycles. Proposed law retains present law for antique motor vehicles valued at less than \$10,000, but increases the license plate fee from \$25 to \$1,000 for antique vehicles valued at \$10,000 or more and eligible for the sales and use tax exemption provided in proposed law.

Proposed law applies to sales registration, or transfer of antique motor vehicles occurring on and after July 1, 2025.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, to establish a special prestige license plate for use on passenger car, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans known as the "Louisiana Innovation" license plate.

Proposed law requires the secretary to work in conjunction with Louisiana Economic Development (LED) to select the color and design of the plate.

Proposed law requires the department to collect an annual fee of \$50 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed in present law and a handling fee of \$3.50 for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law requires the department to collect the royalty fee and deposit in the Louisiana Economic Development Innovation Fund.

Proposed law requires the secretary to promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Effective July 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 47:337.9(D)(36) and 463.8(B)(1); Adds R.S. 47:305.21 and 463.243)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to the original bill:

1. Increase the number of years a noncommercial motor vehicle is required to be manufactured for purposes of qualifying for the exemption established in proposed law from 25 years to 35 years.
2. Exclude a motor vehicle used in La. in the production of a motion picture from the limitation in proposed law that the vehicle not be used for commercial purposes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to the engrossed bill

1. Require that the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, establish a special prestige license plate known as the "Louisiana Innovation" license plate.
2. Specify that the plate is restricted to use on passenger car, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.
3. Require the secretary to work in conjunction with LED to select the color and design of the plate.
4. Authorize the department to collect an annual fee of \$50 in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax and a handling fee of \$3.50 for each plate to offset a portion of administrative costs.
5. Require the department to deposit the royalty fee in the Innovation Fund.
6. Require the secretary to promulgate rules and regulations.
7. Make technical corrections.