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HOUSE BILL NO. 613

BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON

MTR VEHICLE/OFFICE: Requires the office of motor vehicles to display an image indicating the United States citizenship status on driver's licenses and state identification cards of cardholders

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:410(A)(3)(a)(x) and R.S. 40:1321(E)(3), relative to information to be
3 identified on driver's licenses and special identification cards; to require the office
4 of motor vehicles to display a certain image on certain identification cards to signify
5 citizenship status; to provide for rulemaking; to provide for applicability; to provide
6 for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 32:410(A)(3)(a)(x) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §410. Form of license; photograph, signature of licensee, anatomical gift statement,
10 declaration of life-sustaining procedures, and additional information on
11 license

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14 (3)(a) Every license issued shall bear thereon:

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16 (x) An image of an eagle in flight to signify that the applicant is a citizen of
17 the United States, provided that the applicant's citizenship has been verified. If the
18 system of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles,
19 is currently unable to accommodate the inclusion of new credentials, any future

1 system upgrade or new card implementation shall include the capability to comply
2 with the requirements of this Subparagraph.

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4 Section 2. R.S. 40:1321(E)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

5 §1321. State identification cards; special identification cards; issuance; veteran
6 designation; special needs or accommodation designations; fees; expiration
7 and renewal; exceptions; promulgation of rules; promotion of use; persons
8 less than twenty-one years of age; the Protect and Save our Children
9 Program; Selective Service Registration

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11 E.

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13 (3)(a) The Department of Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles,
14 shall display an image of an eagle in flight on any special identification card issued
15 to signify that the applicant is a citizen of the United States, provided that the
16 applicant’s citizenship has been verified.

17 (b) If the system of the office of motor vehicles is currently unable to
18 accommodate the inclusion of new credentials, any future system upgrade or new
19 card implementation shall include the capability to comply with the requirements of
20 this Paragraph.

21 Section 3. The office of motor vehicles shall promulgate rules in accordance with
22 the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of this Act, including rules
23 governing the design, placement, and format of the citizenship indicator and acceptable
24 documentation for verifying United States citizenship.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the office of motor vehicles to display an image of an eagle to signify United States citizenship status on all driver's licenses and special identification cards.

Present law (R.S. 32:410 and R.S. 40:1321) outlines the required information to be included on driver's licenses and special identification cards issued by the office of motor vehicles (OMV). Specifies that the required information include the individual's name, address, photograph, physical description, and other identifying information.

Proposed law retains present law and requires the OMV include an image of an eagle in flight to signify U.S. citizenship status on all driver's licenses and special identification cards issued, provided an applicant's citizenship has been verified. Further requires the OMV promulgate rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act in implementing the design, placement, and documentation requirements for verifying citizenship status. Additionally, requires that any future upgrades or new card implementations by the OMV accommodate new credentials on driver's licenses and special identification cards if the current system is unable to do so.

(Adds R.S. 32:410(A)(3)(a)(x) and R.S. 40:1321(E)(3))