
DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates the "Classic Black" special prestige license plate and provides for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distributions, and rule promulgation applicable to this license plate.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C), office of motor vehicles (OMV), issue a special prestige license plate to be known as the "Classic Black" license plate, provided that there is a minimum of 1,000 applicants for such plates.

Proposed law specifies that the plate is restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

Proposed law requires the plate to display white alpha-numeric series of the license plate numbers on a black background. Requires the design include a white border with "LOUISIANA" centered at the top of the plate.

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

Proposed law requires a one-time fee of \$25 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 dept. to offset a portion of administrative costs.

Proposed law requires the annual royalty fee collected by the dept. and forwarded to the Donald J. Thibodeaux Training Center in Holden, La. Further requires the monies received from the royalty fees be used for emergency vehicle operations training for local governments pursuant to present law.

Proposed law requires the secretary promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are necessary to implement the provision of proposed law.

Directs the DPS&C, OMV, to create this special prestige license plate when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of the new plate.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.243)