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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 141

BY REPRESENTATIVES BURRELL AND ST. GERMAIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to establish an express lane for people who are mobility impaired and senior citizens at office of motor vehicles offices in parishes with a population in excess of eighty thousand persons and to require public license tag agents to post signage notifying mobility impaired persons and senior citizens that they are entitled to priority service.

WHEREAS, office of motor vehicles offices throughout the state often have lengthy lines that can extend outside the building creating long waiting periods that can span hours; and

WHEREAS, those who are mobility impaired and those over sixty-five years of age are forced to wait in these lines, which can be difficult due to their impairment or age; and

WHEREAS, the term "mobility impaired person" is defined in R.S. 47:463.4(E) and includes people with difficulties breathing or walking, heart conditions, and mobility impairments and individuals who are blind or have such a visual impairment that the assistance of another person or device is necessary to walk.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, by January 1, 2015, to create a Special Needs Express Lane for mobility impaired persons and persons over age sixty-five in parishes with a population in excess of eighty thousand persons.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Special Needs Express Lane be well marked, both inside and outside the designated office of motor vehicles offices and signage shall be posted outside the office entrance directing mobility impaired persons and persons over age sixty-five to proceed to the Special Needs Express Lane.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Safety and Corrections require public license tag agents post signs notifying mobility impaired persons and senior citizens that they are entitled to priority service as well as signage that clearly informs all persons that they will be charged a convenience fee which is not to exceed eighteen dollars.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the commissioner of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE