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# ACT No. 261

HOUSE BILL NO. 924

BY REPRESENTATIVES COUSSAN, ABRAHAM, AMEDEE, BAGNERIS, BARRAS, BERTHELOT, BISHOP, TERRY BROWN, CARMODY, ROBBY CARTER, COX, DAVIS, DWIGHT, FALCONER, FOIL, GAROFALO, GUINN, JIMMY HARRIS, LANCE HARRIS, HAZEL, HENRY, HENSGENS, HILFERTY, HORTON, HOWARD, HUNTER, HUVAL, JAMES, MIKE JOHNSON, LEGER, LYONS, MAGEE, MIGUEZ, JIM MORRIS, PIERRE, PYLANT, REYNOLDS, SCHEXNAYDER, SEABAUGH, SMITH, STOKES, THIBAUT, WHITE, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATORS BROWN, HEWITT, AND LONG

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.188 and 463.189, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license  
3 plates; to provide for the establishment of the Louisiana The Energy State special  
4 prestige license plate; to provide for the establishment of a special prestige license  
5 plate for a member of congress; to provide for creation, issuance, and design of such  
6 license plates; to provide relative to the fee and distribution of fees for such plates;  
7 to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations relative to the creation and  
8 implementation of a special prestige license plate; and to provide for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.188 and 463.189 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §463.188. Special prestige license plates; "Louisiana The Energy State"

12 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall  
13 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Louisiana  
14 The Energy State" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for  
15 such plates. The license plates shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup  
16 trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

1                   B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the Louisiana Oil and Gas  
2                   Association to select the color and design of the plate, provided it is in compliance  
3                   with R.S. 47:463(A)(3).

4                   C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any  
5                   citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

6                   D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of twenty-five dollars  
7                   that shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This fee  
8                   shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII,  
9                   Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars and  
10                  fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of  
11                  administrative costs.

12                  E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded  
13                  to the treasurer for deposit into the Oilfield Site Restoration Fund created by the  
14                  provisions of R.S. 30:86.

15                  F. The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations as are necessary to  
16                  implement the provisions of this Section.

17                  §463.189. Special prestige license plate; member of congress

18                  A. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 47:463(A)(3)(b), the secretary of  
19                  the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall establish a special prestige  
20                  license plate for motor vehicles, restricted to passenger cars, pickup trucks,  
21                  motorcycles, recreational vehicles, and vans, which may be issued upon application  
22                  of any Louisiana member of congress.

23                  B. The charge for this special prestige license plate shall be a one-time fee  
24                  of twenty-five dollars for each plate, which shall be in addition to the standard motor  
25                  vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of  
26                  Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents for each plate to be  
27                  retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

28                  C. The secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to  
29                  implement the provisions of this Section, including rules and regulations governing

1           the transfer and disposition of the license plates upon the death of the recipient and  
2           governing the design of the plate.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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