

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 621

BY REPRESENTATIVE PIERRE

MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC: Provides relative to the issuance of identification cards

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412.1(A) and (B) and 412.3(E) and R.S.  
3 40:1321(C)(introductory paragraph) and (2) and (D)(1)(a)(introductory paragraph)  
4 and (i) and to enact R.S. 40:1321.1, relative to the duration of special identification  
5 cards; to provide that the special identification cards be renewed every six years; to  
6 provide for fees; to provide for the distribution of revenue; to create and provide for  
7 special funds; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 32:412.1(A) and (B) and 412.3(E) are hereby amended and reenacted  
10 to read as follows:

11 §412.1. Handling charges

12 A. Except as provided for in Subsection E of this Section, the office of motor  
13 vehicles shall collect, in addition to any fee authorized by law, a handling charge of  
14 eight dollars for ~~each of the following transactions:~~

15 ~~(2) Identification cards:~~

16 ~~(a) New applications:~~

17 ~~(b) Renewals:~~

18 ~~(c) Duplicates:~~

19 ~~(3) Vehicle vehicle titling and registration:~~

20 ~~(a)(1) New vehicle or out-of-state title.~~

- 1           ~~(b)~~(2) Transfer of ownership.
- 2           ~~(c)~~(3) Record and cancel mortgage.
- 3           ~~(d)~~(4) Lost plate and sticker.
- 4           ~~(e)~~(5) Conversion of license plate.
- 5           ~~(f)~~(6) Duplicate title.
- 6           ~~(g)~~(7) Letter of authorization to operate an unregistered vehicle.
- 7           ~~(h)~~(8) Motor vehicle inspection sticker and rejection stickers.
- 8           ~~(i)~~(9) Motor vehicle inspection station permits.
- 9           ~~(j)~~(10) Duplicate motor vehicle inspection station permits.
- 10          ~~(k)~~(11) Motor vehicle inspection station signs.
- 11          ~~(l)~~(12) Motor vehicle inspection mechanic inspection license.
- 12          ~~(m)~~(13) Duplicate motor vehicle inspection mechanic inspection license.
- 13          ~~(n)~~(14) Sheriff's certificate of chattel mortgages.
- 14          ~~(o)~~(15) Recordation of floor plans.
- 15          ~~(p)~~(16) Dealer temporary marker.
- 16          ~~(q)~~(17) Agriculture permits.
- 17          ~~(r)~~(18) Refunds - driver's license and vehicle registration.
- 18          ~~(s)~~(19) Certified copies.
- 19          ~~(t)~~(20) Claims against dealer bonds.
- 20          ~~(u)~~(21) Titles, certificates, or similar documents for salvaged vehicles.
- 21          ~~(v)~~(22) Department of Transportation and Development ticket assessments.
- 22          ~~(w)~~(23) Nonresident cab cards.
- 23          ~~(x)~~(24) Reciprocity cab cards.
- 24          ~~(y)~~(25) Records created by R.S. 9:1149.4(D).
- 25                B.(1) Except as provided in Subsection E of this Section, the office of motor
- 26                vehicles shall collect, in addition to any fee authorized by law, a handling charge of
- 27                twelve dollars for each of the following Class D and E driver's license transactions:;
- 28                ~~(1)~~(a) New applications.
- 29                ~~(2)~~(b) Renewals.



1 §1321. Special identification cards; issuance; veteran designation; disabled veteran  
 2 designation; university logo; "I'm a Cajun" designation; needs  
 3 accommodation designation; fees; expiration and renewal; exceptions;  
 4 promulgation of rules; promotion of use; persons less than twenty-one years  
 5 of age; the Protect and Save our Children Program; Selective Service  
 6 Registration

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8 C. This Subsection and Subsection D of this Section shall establish and be  
 9 cited as the Protect and Save our Children Program for issuance of special  
 10 identification cards for persons under the age of sixteen. The fee for the issuance or  
 11 renewal of a special identification card for persons under the age of sixteen shall be  
 12 three dollars for a two-year identification card and ~~five dollars~~ seven dollars and fifty  
 13 cents for a ~~four-year~~ six-year identification card. The fee for the issuance or renewal  
 14 of a special identification card for persons sixteen years of age or older shall be ~~ten~~  
 15 fifteen dollars. However, this fee shall be waived for:

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17 (2) Any child who is in foster care as defined in ~~Article 603 of the Louisiana~~  
 18 Children's Code Article 603.

19 D.(1)(a) Each special identification card issued to a person under the age of  
 20 sixteen shall expire every two years for the three-dollar identification card and every  
 21 ~~four~~ six years for the ~~five-dollar~~ seven dollar and fifty cents identification card and  
 22 may be renewed only by personal appearance. Each special identification card for  
 23 a person sixteen years of age or older shall expire every ~~four~~ six years but may be  
 24 renewed. The OMV may issue the special identification for a period of less than ~~four~~  
 25 six years in circumstances of medical, legal presence, or other special restriction.  
 26 Where the OMV issues a special identification card to a properly documented alien  
 27 student or a nonresident alien, the special identification card shall both:

1 (i) Expire on the date for which the alien's immigration documents expire or  
2 ~~four~~ six years after issuance, whichever is sooner.

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4 §1321.1. Office of Motor Vehicles Special Identification Card Dedicated Fund  
5 Account

6 A. There is hereby created, as a special statutorily dedicated fund account  
7 in the state treasury, the Office of Motor Vehicles Special Identification Card  
8 Dedicated Fund Account, hereafter referred to as the "Identification Card Account".

9 B. After compliance with the requirements of Article VII, Section 9(B) of  
10 the Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund,  
11 the treasurer shall pay an amount equal to one-third of the monies received by the  
12 state treasury pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 40:1321(C) into the Identification  
13 Card Account. Monies in the account shall be used for operational expenses of the  
14 Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety services. All  
15 unexpended and unencumbered monies in the account at the end of the fiscal year  
16 shall remain in the account. Monies in the account shall be invested by the state  
17 treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund and shall be  
18 deposited into the state general fund.

19 C. Monies deposited into the Identification Card Account shall be available  
20 for appropriation in Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, 2032, 2033, 2038, and 2039.

21 D. Monies deposited into the Identification Card Account shall be  
22 categorized as fees and self-generated revenue for the sole purpose of reporting  
23 related to the executive budget, supporting documents, and general appropriations  
24 bill and shall be available for annual appropriation by the legislature.

25 E. The provisions of this Section shall be null, void, and of no effect  
26 beginning on July 1, 2039.

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DIGEST

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HB 621 Re-Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Changes the renewal period for special ID cards from four years to six years and increases the fees by one-third to cover the extension of the renewal period.

Present law requires the office of motor vehicles collect a handling charge of \$8.00 for special identification cards (ID cards), new applications, renewals, and duplicates. Requires \$2.50 of the fee charged for any handling fee be forwarded to the state treasurer for deposit into the Office of Motor Vehicles Customer Service and Technology Fund.

Proposed law increases the handling fee for identification cards, renewals, and duplicates to \$12.00.

Proposed law retains present law and requires monies deposited into the Office of Motor Vehicles Handling Fee Escrow Fund be available for appropriation in various Fiscal Years.

Present law requires the fee for issuance or renewal of an ID card for persons under the age of 16 be \$3 for a two-year ID card and \$5 for a four-year ID card.

Proposed law changes the four-year period to a six-year period and increases the fee of \$5 to \$7.50.

Present law requires the fee for issuance or renewal of an ID card for persons 16 years or older be \$10.

Proposed law changes the fee from \$10 to \$15.

Present law authorizes the Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV) to issue an ID card for a period of less than four years in circumstances of medical, legal presence, or other special restriction. Requires the ID card issued to a properly documented alien student or a nonresident alien expire on the date the alien's immigration documents expire or four years after issuance, whichever is sooner.

Proposed law changes the four-year period to a six-year period.

Proposed law creates the Office of Motor Vehicles Special Identification Card Escrow Fund, which is a special statutorily dedicated fund account in the state treasury. Requires that after compliance with the La. constitution the treasurer pay an amount equal to 1/3 of the monies received by the state treasury pursuant to present law (R.S. 40:1321(C)) into the Identification Card Account. Requires monies deposited into the Identification Card Account be categorized as fees and self-generated revenue available for Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, 2032, 2033, 2038, and 2039. Further requires the provisions of R.S. 40:1321.1 be null, void, and of no effect beginning on July 1, 2039.

(Amends R.S. 32:412.1(A) and (B) and 412.3(E), R.S. 40:1321(C)(intro. para.) and (2) and (D)(1)(a)(intro. para.) and (i); Adds R.S. 40:1321.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by HouseThe House Floor Amendments to the reengrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Modify a provision of present law relative to monies deposited into the Office of Motor Vehicles Handling Fee Escrow Fund.
3. Delete a provision that required a percentage of monies be allocated to self-generated revenue and the Office of Motor Vehicles Customer Service and Technology Fund.
4. Create the Office of Motor Vehicles Special Identification Card Dedicated Fund Account, which is a special statutorily dedicated fund account in the state treasury. Requires that after compliance with the La. constitution the treasurer pay an amount equal to 1/3 of the monies received by the state treasury pursuant to present law (R.S. 40:1321(C)) into the Identification Card Account. Requires monies deposited into the Identification Card Account be categorized as fees and self-generated revenue available for Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, 2032, 2033, 2038, and 2039. Further requires the provisions of R.S. 40:1321.1 be null, void, and of no effect beginning on July 1, 2039.
5. Remove provisions that would have created the Office of Motor Vehicles Special Identification Card Escrow Fund and provided for allocations, use, retention, investment, and appropriations.