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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Establishes a supplemental fee for certain classes of drivers licenses to fund the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account.

Proposed law (R.S. 32:402.4) establishes the "Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account".

Proposed law requires the treasurer pay into the account an amount equal to the amount generated by the supplemental fees as provided in proposed law.

Proposed law requires the account be appropriated by the legislature to the La. Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Criminal Justice (LCLE&ACJ) for solely the following purposes:

- (1) Providing grants to state, parish, and municipal law enforcement agencies to acquire pursuit intervention technology, including but not limited to GPS tracking, projectiles, remote-deployment tire deflation devices, and vehicle-tethering systems.
- (2) Developing and implementing mandatory statewide training programs for the safe deployment of such technology.
- (3) Administrative costs of the LCLE&ACJ associated with the grant program, not to exceed 5% of the annual fund balance.

Present law (R.S. 32:412(A)(1)) requires any La. citizen applying for or renewing a Class "D" driver's license to pay a basic license fee of \$42.75, with fees of \$11.15 paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 paid to the litter abatement accounted within the Conservation Fund.

Proposed law modifies present law by increasing the fee for any La. citizen applying for or renewing a Class "D" driver's license to pay a basic license fee from \$42.75 to \$44.75. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30.412(A)(2)) requires any New Orleans (N.O.) resident applying for or renewing a Class "D" driver's license to pay a basic license fee of \$54.15, with \$15 payable by the dept. to the N.O. police pension board of trustees. Additionally requires a \$1.84 fee paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 paid to the litter abatement accounted within the Conservation Fund.

Proposed law modifies present law by increasing the fee for any N.O. resident applying for or renewing a Class "D" driver's license to pay a basic license fee from \$54.15 to \$56.15. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30:412(A)(3)) provides for a \$7.50 fee for an emergency vehicle endorsement for any vehicle.

Proposed law modifies present law by increasing the emergency vehicle endorsement fee for any vehicle from \$7.50 to \$9.50. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30:412(A)(5)) requires any La. citizen applying for or renewing a Class "E" driver's license to pay a basic license fee of \$20.25, with fees of \$5.63 paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 paid to the litter abatement accounted within the Conservation Fund.

Proposed law modifies present law by increasing the fee for any La. citizen applying for or renewing a Class "E" driver's license to pay a basic license fee from \$20.25 to \$22.25. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30:412(A)(6)) requires any N.O. resident applying for or renewing a Class "E" driver's license to pay a basic license fee of \$20.25, with \$3.75 payable by the dept. to the N.O. police pension board of trustees. Additionally requires a \$3.75 fee paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 paid to the litter abatement accounted within the Conservation Fund.

Proposed law modifies present law by increasing the fee for any N.O. resident applying for or renewing a Class "E" driver's license to pay a basic license fee from \$20.25 to \$22.25. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30:412(B)(1)) requires any La. citizen applying for a Class "A", "B", or "C" driver's license to pay a basic license fee of \$61.50, with fees of \$16.20 paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 paid to the litter abatement accounted within the Conservation Fund.

Proposed law increases the fee for any La. citizen applying for or renewing a Class "A", "B", or "C" driver's license to pay a basic license fee from \$61.50 to \$63.50. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30:412(B)(2)) requires any N.O. resident applying for or renewing a Class "A", "B", or "C" driver's license to pay a basic license fee of \$76.50, with \$15 payable by the dept. to the N.O. police pension board of trustees. Additionally requires a \$15 fee paid to the La. State Police Retirement System Fund and \$1.50 paid to the litter abatement accounted within the Conservation Fund.

Proposed law increases the fee for any N.O. resident applying for or renewing a Class "A", "B", or

"C" driver's license to pay a basic license fee from \$76.50 to \$78.50. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Present law (R.S. 30:412(C)(1)) requires that if a motorcycle or motor scooter endorsement is added to a basic license, then an additional fee of \$12 must be paid. Additionally, if the license is valid for less than six years, the required fee is \$6.

Proposed law increases the fee if a motorcycle or motor scooter endorsement is added to a basic license from \$12 to \$14. Additionally, if the license is valid for less than six years, the required fee increases from \$6 to \$8. Requires \$2 of that fee be paid to the Pursuit Safety and Officer Technology Fund Account as a supplemental fee.

Effective July 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 32:412(A)(1), (2), (3), (5), and (6), (B)(1) and (2), and (C)(1); Adds R.S. 32:402.4)