

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 732

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:8(E) and (F), relative to delinquent debt owed to the office of motor
3 vehicles; to require the commissioner to temporarily waive or suspend fines, fees,
4 penalties, or license suspensions for emergency reasons; to provide for the
5 verification of a life-threatening condition; to provide for the suspension of certain
6 fees; to provide for the authority of the commissioner; to provide for an effective
7 date; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 32:8(E) and (F) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §8. Final delinquent debt; office of motor vehicles; temporary waivers and holds

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12 E.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
13 commissioner, or his designee, shall have emergency authority to temporarily
14 suspend or place on hold, for a period not to exceed thirty days, any fine, fee,
15 penalty, or license suspension appearing on a person's driving record when the
16 commissioner determines that such action is necessary to allow the person immediate
17 access to life-sustaining medicine or medical treatment.

18 (2) The person or their representative shall provide documentation from a
19 licensed physician, hospital, hospice, or other home health provider verifying the
20 life-threatening nature of the condition.

21 (3) For the purposes of this Subsection, "commissioner" means the
22 commissioner of the office of motor vehicles.

1 F. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the hybrid
 2 vehicle road usage fee provided for in R.S. 32:461(A)(2) is hereby suspended for
 3 non-plugin hybrids until August 1, 2027. Failure by any person to pay such fee shall
 4 not be considered debt that may be collected pursuant to this Section or any other
 5 applicable collection authority.

6 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
 7 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
 8 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
 9 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
 10 effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____