

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 636

BY REPRESENTATIVE GISCLAIR

BRIDGES/FERRIES: Authorizes free and unhampered passage on the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge for certain emergency vehicles of the town of Grand Isle

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:820.5.6, relative to exemptions from tolls on the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge;  
3 to provide for the exemptions from tolls for certain vehicles; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 47:820.5.6 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §820.5.6. Free and unhampered passage on the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge; certain  
8 emergency vehicles of the town of Grand Isle

9 A.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the  
10 following list of vehicles shall have free and unhampered passage crossing the  
11 Tomey J. Doucet Bridge on Louisiana Highway 1 in Leeville, Louisiana:

- 12 (a) Ambulances of the Grand Isle Emergency Vehicle Services.
- 13 (b) Official vehicles of the Grand Isle Independent Levee District.
- 14 (c) Official vehicles and a medical transportation van of the town of Grand
- 15 Isle.
- 16 (d) Official, logo-bearing vehicles of the Grand Isle Port Commission.

17 (2) The exemption shall only be granted when the vehicles are being used in  
18 the performance of official duties.

- 1                    B. The Department of Transportation and Development shall, in accordance  
 2                    with the Administrative Procedure Act, adopt rules and regulations for the efficient  
 3                    implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this Section.
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#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to free and unhampered passage crossing the Tomey J. Doucet Bridge on La. Hwy. 1, Leesville, La. for certain vehicles of the town of Grand Isle.

Proposed law exempts, from the payment of tolls, certain vehicles in the performance of official duties as follows:

- (1) Grand Isle Emergency Vehicle Services (ambulances).
- (2) Grand Isle Independent Levee District.
- (3) Town of Grand Isle official vehicles and a medical transportation van.
- (4) Grand Isle Port Commission official, logo-bearing vehicles.

Proposed law requires DOTD to promulgate rules and regulations for the efficient implementation and enforcement of the provisions of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 47:820.5.6)

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill.

1. Removed exemptions from the payment of tolls for the Town of Grand Isle Volunteer Fire Department trucks and an emergency utility truck and the Town of Grand Isle Police Department police cars.