

SENATE BILL NO. 239

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.60(B) and to enact R.S. 47:463.192, relative to special prestige license plates; to provide with respect to the "Animal Friendly" prestige license plate; to provide for an increase of the annual royalty fee; to provide for the creation, issuance, and design of the "Krewe of NYX" special prestige license plate; to provide relative to the distribution of monies from the "Krewe of NYX" plates; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:463.60(B) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:463.192 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§463.60. Special prestige license plates; "Animal Friendly" prestige license plate; animal population control; Pet Overpopulation Fund

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B. The annual fee for this prestige license plate shall be a royalty fee of ~~twenty-five~~ thirty-five dollars to be distributed as provided in this Section and a handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs. These charges shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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§463.192. Special prestige license plates; "Krewe of NYX"

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

1 **B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the captain of the Krewe**
2 **of NYX 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**
5 **any member in good standing of the Krewe of NYX.**

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

12 **E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and**
13 **forwarded to the Krewe of NYX. The monies received from the royalty fees**
14 **shall be used solely for the activities of the Krewe of NYX.**

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

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

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____