

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 249

BY REPRESENTATIVE GUINN

TRANSPORTATION: Authorizes the use of certain motorized vehicles in the city limits of the town of Welsh

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:127.1, relative to highway right-of-way crossings; to authorize golf carts  
3 to cross Louisiana Highway 90 and Louisiana Highway 99 in the town of Welsh; and  
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published  
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of  
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 32:127.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §127.1. Golf cart crossings

11 A. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, golf carts are authorized to cross  
12 Louisiana Highway 90 and Louisiana Highway 99 on marked or designated paths or  
13 crossings for such vehicles within the town limits of Welsh between sunrise and  
14 sunset.

15 B. A valid driver's license shall be a prerequisite for operating a golf cart  
16 when crossing Louisiana Highway 90 and Louisiana Highway 99 in the town of  
17 Welsh.

18 C. Crossing signs may be posted by the Department of Transportation and  
19 Development at the request of the governing authority of the town of Welsh.

1           D. The Department of Transportation and Development, with the consultation  
 2           and advice of the governing authority of the town of Welsh, shall formulate guidelines  
 3           to determine where such crossing signs shall be placed in accordance with the  
 4           provisions of this Section.

5           E. For the purposes of this Section, the provisions of R.S. 32:53(D), 235(C),  
 6           261, and Chapter 5 of this Title shall not apply, and golf carts shall not be considered  
 7           a vehicle for purposes of defining "equipment" as referenced in Part V of Chapter 1  
 8           of this Title.

#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes golf carts to cross La. Hwy. 90 and La. Hwy. 99 within the town of Welsh.

Proposed law authorizes golf carts to cross LA 90 and 99 on marked or designated paths or crossings within the town limits of Welsh between sunrise and sunset.

Proposed law requires a valid driver's license when operating a golf cart while crossing LA 90 or 99 in the town of Welsh.

Proposed law allows crossing signs to be posted by DOTD at the request of the governing authority of the town of Welsh.

Proposed law requires DOTD, with the consultation and advice of the governing authority of the town of Welsh, to formulate guidelines to determine where such crossing signs are to be placed.

Proposed law excepts the provisions of proposed law from certain requirements contained in present law and provides that golf carts not be considered a vehicle for purposes of defining "equipment".

(Adds R.S. 32:127.1)