

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 397

BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2531(C)(4) and 2532(Section heading) and (A)(5), R.S.  
3 32:412(A)(1), (2), (5), and (6), and (B)(1), (2), and (7)(e)(i)(cc) and (ee) and (ii)(cc)  
4 and (ee), R.S. 47:463.43(Section heading), (A), and (D), and R.S. 56:10(B)(15), to  
5 enact R.S. 56:10(B)(17), and to repeal R.S. 30:2532(B), relative to funding for  
6 environmental education and litter abatement; to separate the litter abatement and  
7 education account into an account for litter abatement and an account for  
8 environmental education; to redirect existing fines, fees, and donations dedicated for  
9 these purposes into the separate accounts; and to provide for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 30:2531(C)(4) and 2532(Section heading) and (A)(5) are hereby  
12 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

13 §2531. Intentional littering prohibited; criminal penalties; simple littering  
14 prohibited; civil penalties; special court costs

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16 C. Whoever violates the provisions of this Section shall pay special court  
17 costs of one hundred dollars in lieu of other costs of court and the special court costs  
18 shall be disbursed as follows:

19 \* \* \*

20 (4) Twenty-five dollars shall be paid to the state treasury for credit to the  
21 Litter Abatement ~~and Education~~ Account.

22 \* \* \*

1 §2532. Collection and distribution of fines; litter abatement ~~and education~~ account

2 A. All fines collected under the provisions of this Part shall be payable as  
3 follows:

4 \* \* \*

5 (5) The remainder shall be paid to the state treasury for credit to the litter  
6 abatement ~~and education~~ account.

7 \* \* \*

8 Section 2. R.S. 32:412(A)(1), (2), (5), and (6), and (B)(1), (2), and (7)(e)(i)(cc) and  
9 (ee) and (ii)(cc) and (ee) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §412. Amount of fees; credit or refund; duration of license; veteran designation;  
11 disabled veteran designation; university logo; "I'm a Cajun" designation;  
12 needs accommodation designation; autism spectrum disorder designation;  
13 disbursement of funds; renewal by mail or electronic commerce of Class "D"  
14 or "E" drivers' licenses; disposition of certain fees; exception

15 A.(1) Every applicant for a Class "D" driver's license, or for a renewal of a  
16 Class "D" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New  
17 Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of forty-two dollars and seventy-five  
18 cents. Eleven dollars and fifteen cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State  
19 Police Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be  
20 forwarded by the department to the litter abatement ~~and education~~ account which is  
21 created ~~with~~ within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S.  
22 56:10(B)(15).

23 (2) The fee for Class "D" driver's licenses, or renewal of a Class "D" driver's  
24 license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans shall be fifty-four  
25 dollars, fifteen dollars of which shall be payable by the department to the board of  
26 trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New Orleans. One dollar and  
27 eighty-four cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement  
28 System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the

1 department to the litter abatement ~~and education~~ account which is created within the  
2 Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

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4 (5) Every applicant for a Class "E" driver's license, or for a renewal of a  
5 Class "E" driver's license, except those bona fide residents of the city of New  
6 Orleans, shall pay for such basic license a fee of twenty dollars and twenty-five  
7 cents, which shall be the cost of such basic license. Five dollars and sixty-three cents  
8 of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. One  
9 dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter  
10 abatement ~~and education~~ account which is created within the Conservation Fund  
11 through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

12 (6) The fee for a Class "E" driver's license, or renewal of a Class "E" driver's  
13 license, issued to bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans shall be twenty  
14 dollars and twenty-five cents, three dollars and seventy-five cents of which shall be  
15 paid by the department to the board of trustees of the police pension funds of the city  
16 of New Orleans. Three dollars and seventy-five cents of the fee shall be paid to the  
17 Louisiana State Police Retirement System Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the fee  
18 shall be forwarded by the department to the litter abatement ~~and education~~ account  
19 which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S.  
20 56:10(B)(15).

21 \* \* \*

22 B.(1) Every applicant for a Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's  
23 license, or for a renewal of a basic Class "A", "B", or "C" commercial driver's  
24 license, except for those bona fide residents of the city of New Orleans, shall pay for  
25 such basic license a fee of sixty-one dollars and fifty cents. Sixteen dollars and  
26 twenty cents of the fee shall be paid to the Louisiana State Police Retirement System  
27 Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to  
28 the litter abatement ~~and education~~ account which is created within the Conservation  
29 Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).



1 cents of the fee shall be paid to the State Police Pension and Retirement Fund. One  
2 dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the department to the litter  
3 abatement ~~and education~~ account which is created within the Conservation Fund  
4 through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

5 \* \* \*

6 (ee) Seven dollars and fifty cents of the fee shall be payable by the  
7 department to the board of trustees of the police pension fund of the city of New  
8 Orleans. Ninety-two cents of the fee shall be paid to the State Police Pension and  
9 Retirement Fund. One dollar and fifty cents of the fee shall be forwarded by the  
10 department to the litter abatement ~~and education~~ account which is created within the  
11 Conservation Fund through the provisions of R.S. 56:10(B)(15).

12 \* \* \*

13 Section 3. R.S. 47:463.43(Section heading), (A), and (D) are hereby amended and  
14 reenacted to read as follows:

15 §463.43. Special license plates; environmental education ~~and litter reduction section~~  
16 account

17 A. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall establish a special  
18 prestige motor vehicle license plate for environmental education by the Department  
19 of Wildlife and Fisheries for the purposes provided in R.S. 56:10(B)~~(15)~~(17). The  
20 license plates shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, vans, and  
21 recreational vehicles.

22 \* \* \*

23 D. The department shall collect the donation for each license plate and  
24 forward the donation as provided in Subsection C of this Section to the Department  
25 of Wildlife and Fisheries. The one dollar handling fee as provided in Subsection C  
26 of this Section shall be retained by the department to offset the administrative costs.  
27 The funds received by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries pursuant to this  
28 Section shall be deposited in the ~~litter abatement and~~ environmental education

1 account which is created within the Conservation Fund through the provisions of  
2 R.S. 56:10(B)~~(15)~~(17), and used solely for the purposes of that fund.

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4 Section 4. R.S. 56:10(B)(15) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
5 56:10(B)(17) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

6 §10. Annual report to governor; estimate of proposed expenditures; particular funds;  
7 limitations on purposes for use of monies in particular funds and accounts;  
8 warrants; vouchers; surplus funds

9 \* \* \*

10 B.

11 \* \* \*

12 (15)(a) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special  
13 account known as the "litter abatement ~~and education~~ account" which shall consist  
14 of ~~donations collected from the sale of the environmental education license plate~~  
15 ~~provided for in R.S. 47:463.43~~; revenue received by the Conservation Fund from the  
16 Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles as provided  
17 in R.S. 32:412; revenue received by the Conservation Fund from fines for violations  
18 of the provisions of Part I of Chapter 21 of Subtitle II of Title 30 as provided in R.S.  
19 30:2531 and 2532; funds from public or private donations and any other source  
20 which may specify deposit to this account; and any remaining balance in the litter  
21 abatement and education account as of August 1, 2022. The revenues shall be  
22 subject to the same requirements as provided for other revenues placed in the  
23 Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

24 (b) The funds in this account shall be used solely for the following:

25 (i) ~~To develop, review, approve, and implement a plan for statewide~~  
26 ~~environmental education.~~

27 (ii) To provide for ~~environmental education~~ litter abatement grant programs  
28 in the state.

29 (iii) ~~To develop an environmental education curriculum framework.~~



