Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 425

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROSSETT

| 1 | AN ACT | |
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| 2 | To enact R.S. 47:469.1, relative to special license plates; to create a special "For Hire" plate | |
| 3 | for use in the city of New Orleans; to provide for the design and cost; to provide for | |
| 4 | rules and regulations; and 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. 47:469.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows: | |
| 10 | §469.1. Special license plate; "For Hire"; city of New Orleans | |
| 11 | A. Taxi cabs, limousines, horse-drawn carriages, and pedicabs owned or | |
| 12 | operated by companies licensed by the city of New Orleans, shall be issued a special | |
| 13 | "For Hire" plate. | |
| 14 | B. The plate shall be designated with a series consisting of numeric | |
| 15 | characters, alpha characters, or any combination thereof. The series shall be | |
| 16 | consistent with the license number issued by the city of New Orleans to identify the | |
| 17 | vehicle and may be accompanied by a symbol or emblem representing the city of | |
| 18 | New Orleans, taxi cab bureau. | |
| 19 | C.(1) The city of New Orleans shall provide the office of motor vehicles | |
| 20 | with the series to be issued to the vehicles. All plates authorized by this Section shall | |
| 21 | include a handling charge of three dollars and fifty cents, as authorized by R.S. | |
| 22 | 47:463(A)(3)(a), to offset the administrative costs of the department for the issuance | |
| 23 | of such plates. All vehicles registered with a "For Hire" plate, except horse-drawn | |

HB NO. 425 **ENROLLED** 1 carriages and pedicabs, shall also be issued a secondary plate, identical in appearance 2 to the primary plate, which shall be displayed on the front of the vehicle. 3 (2) In addition to the three dollars and fifty cents authorized by R.S. 4 47:463(A)(3)(a) collected for the primary and secondary plate authorized by this 5 Section, the annual rate for the plates shall be fifty dollars. 6 D.(1) Horse-drawn carriages and pedicabs, licensed by the city of New 7 Orleans, shall be issued a plate for identification purposes only. 8 (2) The plate shall be designated by a series consisting of numeric characters, alpha characters, or any combination thereof. The series shall be consistent with the 9 10 license number issued by the city of New Orleans to identify the vehicle and may be 11 accompanied by a symbol or emblem representing the city of New Orleans, taxi cab 12 bureau. The city of New Orleans shall provide the office of motor vehicles with the 13 series to be issued to the vehicles. 14 (3) In addition to the three dollars and fifty cents as authorized by R.S. 15 47:463(A)(3)(a), the annual rate for the plate shall be thirty dollars. 16 E. Permissible road usage of horse-drawn carriages and pedicabs shall be 17 determined by New Orleans city ordinances. 18 F. The commissioner is authorized to promulgate all rules and regulations 19 necessary, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, to administer and 20 enforce the provisions of this Section. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA