

ACT No. 29

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license
3 plates; to establish the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient,
4 Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana" and the
5 "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" specialty license
6 plates; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, fees, implementation,
7 distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide
8 for related matters.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.214 and 463.215 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §463.214. Special prestige license plate; "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand
12 Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of
13 Louisiana"

14 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
15 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "United
16 Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F.& A.M." plate, provided
17 there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be
18 restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles,
19 and vans.

20 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of
21 the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted
22 Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana to select the color and design of the

1 plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design may include
2 the words "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. &
3 A.M."

4 C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any
5 citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

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

12 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
13 to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and
14 Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana. The monies received from
15 the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

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

18 §463.215. Special prestige license plate; "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter
19 Order of Eastern Star"

20 A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall
21 establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Daughters
22 of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star" plate, provided there is a
23 minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to
24 use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans.

25 B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the deputy grand master of
26 the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted
27 Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana to select the color and design of the
28 plate, provided it is in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design may include
29 the words "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star".

1 C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any
2 citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

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

9 E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded
10 to the United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and
11 Accepted Scottish Rite Masons for the state of Louisiana. The monies received
12 from the royalty fees shall be used for monthly expenses and building maintenance.

13 F. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are
14 necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

15 Section 2. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor
16 vehicles, is hereby directed to create these special prestige license plates when the applicable
17 statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new
18 plates.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____