

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 193

BY SENATOR GUILLORY

MOTOR VEHICLES. Provides for prestige license plates for the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.
(8/1/12)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:463.155, relative to special prestige motor vehicle license plates; to provide
3 for the creation, issuance, and design of such license plates for the Phi Beta Sigma
4 Fraternity; to provide relative to the fee and distribution of fees for such plates; to
5 authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; and to provide for related
6 matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 47:463.155 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 **§463.155. Special prestige license plate; Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity**

10 **A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections**
11 **shall establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate for Phi Beta Sigma**
12 **Fraternity, provided there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for such**
13 **plates. These plates shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks,**
14 **recreational vehicles, and vans.**

15 **B. The secretary shall design the plates, which shall be of a color and**
16 **design selected by Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, provided that it is in compliance**
17 **with R.S. 47:463(A)(3).**

1 **C. The 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**
4 **dollars, which shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this**
5 **Section. This fee will be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax**
6 **imposed by Article VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a**
7 **handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the**
8 **department to offset a portion of administrative cost.**

9 **E. The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and**
10 **forwarded to Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. The monies received from the royalty**
11 **fees shall be used for scholarships.**

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

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

DIGEST

Proposed law requires the secretary of the DPS&C to establish special prestige license plates for Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

Proposed law provides that such prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

Proposed law provides for the secretary to design the license plate, with the color and design to be selected by Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, in compliance with R.S. 47:463(A)(3).

Proposed law provides for the department to collect an annual royalty fee of \$25 and to forward such fee to the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity to be used for scholarships.

Proposed law further provides that such fee shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana and a handling fee of \$3.50 to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative cost.

Proposed law provides that the secretary shall adopt rules and regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions provided in proposed law.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Adds R.S. 47:463.155)