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SENATE BILL NO. 226

BY SENATOR HENSGENS

MOTOR VEHICLES. Provides eligibility for retired law officer's special license plates to law officers who retire due to injures sustained in the line of duty regardless of the length of employment. (8/1/2020)

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To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.24(D), relative to special motor vehicle license plates for retired law officers; to provide with respect to the criteria for eligibility for a retired law officer's special license plate; to add eligibility for law officers injured in the line of duty who retired for medical reasons due to permanent injuries sustained in the line of duty regardless of length of employment to persons eligible for a retired law officer's special license plate; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:463.24(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: §463.24. Special license plates for retired law officers

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D. Any person who was employed as a law officer for twelve years or more, was not discharged for misconduct related to employment, and has not been convicted of any felony, or any person who was employed as a law officer and retired for medical reasons due to permanent injuries sustained in the line of duty regardless of length of employment, shall be eligible for a special license plate under the provisions of this Section and renewal of such special license plate,

1 regardless of whether or not that person is a member of, or is receiving retirement

benefits from, a retirement system for law officers.

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

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<u>Present law</u> requires that the secretary of the DPS&C establish special motor vehicle license plates which may be issued, upon application, to any citizen of Louisiana who is a retired law officer.

<u>Present law</u> further provides that any person who was employed as a law officer for 12 years or more, was not discharged for misconduct related to employment, and has not been convicted of any felony, shall be eligible for a special motor vehicle license plate regardless of whether or not that person is a member of, or is receiving retirement benefits from, a retirement system for law officers.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that any person who was employed as a law officer and retired for medical reasons due to permanent injuries sustained in the line of duty regardless of the length of employment shall be eligible for a special motor vehicle license plate for retired law officers.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 47:463.24(D))