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HOUSE BILL NO. 265

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

STATE AGENCIES: Provides relative to benefits, products, and services by governmental entities

1 AN ACT 2 To enact R.S. 49:186, relative to benefits, products, and services provided by government; 3 to provide prohibited descriptions of governmental benefits, products, and services; 4 and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 49:186 is hereby enacted to read as follows: 7 Prohibited description of benefits, products, and services provided by 8 government 9 No institution, board, commission, department, agency, official, or employee 10 of the state or of a political subdivision of the state shall utilize the word "free" in the 11 description of any benefit, product, or service when the word refers to a benefit, 12 product, or service financed with public funds.

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<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits an institution, board, commission, department, agency, official, or employee of the state or of a political subdivision of the state from utilizing the word "free" in the description of any benefit, product, or service when it refers to a benefit, product, or service financed with public funds.

(Adds R.S. 49:186)

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