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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	§186. 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.

## DIGEST

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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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