

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 286

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

HIGHWAYS/INTERSTATE: Provides an exemption from tolls located in a parish with a public-private partnership project

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:820.5.10, relative to toll exemptions on public-private partnership projects;
3 to provide exemptions for residents of a parish with a population less than twenty-
4 five thousand in which a public-private partnership for a bridge replacement is
5 entirely located within the parish; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 47:820.5.10 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §820.5.10. Exempt toll tag passage on a public-private partnership project; parish
9 residents

10 A.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, residents
11 of a parish with a population less than twenty-five thousand, according to the latest
12 federal decennial census, in which a public-private partnership project is located
13 shall have free and unhampered passage crossing the public-private partnership
14 project bridge.

15 (2) Any permanent resident of a parish with a population less than twenty-
16 five thousand, according to the latest federal decennial census, in which a public-
17 private partnership for a bridge replacement that is entirely located within the parish
18 shall be exempt from the payment of tolls when crossing the public-private
19 partnership project bridge if the resident purchases an exempt toll tag, presents a

- 1 certificate of motor vehicle registration, and any one of the following documents
- 2 evidencing proof of residency:
- 3 (a) An official Louisiana driver's license.
- 4 (b) Proof of a valid homestead exemption.
- 5 (c) A current voter registration card.
- 6 B. The Department of Transportation and Development shall, in accordance
- 7 with the Administrative Procedure Act, adopt rules and regulations for the efficient
- 8 implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this Section.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for toll exemptions for residents of a parish in which a public-private partnership project is located.

Proposed law provides residents of a parish with a population less than 25,000, according to the latest federal decennial census, in which a public-private partnership for a bridge replacement is entirely located within the parish to have free and unhampered passage crossing the public-private partnership project bridge.

Proposed law exempts permanent residents of a parish with a population less than 25,000, according to the latest federal decennial census, in which a public-private partnership for a bridge replacement is entirely located within the parish from the payment of tolls when crossing the public-private partnership project bridge when the resident purchases an exempt toll tag, presents a certificate of motor vehicle registration, and provides proof of residency.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Transportation and Development to adopt rules and regulations for the efficient implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 47:820.5.10)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Clarify that the population designation is according to the latest federal decennial census.