

HOUSE BILL NO. 318

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| 1 | AN ACT |
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| 2 | To enact R.S. 47:463.202 and 463.203, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license |
| 3 | plates; to establish the "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige plate; to |
| 4 | establish the "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige plate for persons with |
| 5 | mobility impairments; to provide for creation, issuance, design, fees, distribution, |
| 6 | and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide for related |
| 7 | matters. |
| 8 | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: |
| 9 | Section 1. R.S. 47:463.202 is hereby enacted to read as follows: |
| 10 | §463.202. Special prestige license plate; "Team Gleason Foundation" |
| 11 | A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall |
| 12 | establish a special prestige motor vehicle license plate to be known as the "Team |
| 13 | Gleason Foundation" plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand applicants |
| 14 | for such plate. The plate shall be restricted to use on passenger cars, pickup trucks, |
| 15 | recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and vans. |
| 16 | B. The secretary shall work in conjunction with the Team Gleason |
| 17 | Foundation to select the color and design of the plate, provided it is in compliance |
| 18 | with R.S. 47:463(A)(3). The design shall include the words "Team Gleason |
| 19 | Foundation". |
| 20 | C. The special prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any |
| 21 | citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate. |

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| 1 | D. The department shall collect an annual royalty fee of twenty-five dollars |
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| 2 | that shall be disbursed in accordance with Subsection E of this Section. This fee |
| 3 | shall be in addition to the standard motor vehicle license tax imposed by Article VII, |
| 4 | Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and a handling fee of three dollars and |
| 5 | fifty cents for each plate to be retained by the department to offset a portion of |
| 6 | administrative costs. |
| 7 | \underline{E} . The annual royalty fee shall be collected by the department and forwarded |
| 8 | to the Team Gleason Foundation. |
| 9 | F. The secretary shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations as are |
| 10 | necessary to implement the provisions of this Section. |
| 11 | Section 2. R.S. 47:463.203 is hereby enacted to read as follows: |
| 12 | §463.203. Special prestige license plate or hang tag for persons with mobility |
| 13 | impairments; "Team Gleason Foundation" |
| 14 | A.(1)(a) Upon the application of any person who applies for a "Team Gleason |
| 15 | Foundation" special prestige license plate and has a mobility impairment which is |
| 16 | permanent, the secretary shall issue a "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige |
| 17 | plate for the benefit of the applicant in accordance with the provisions set forth in |
| 18 | <u>R.S. 47:463.4(A)(1) and (2).</u> |
| 19 | (b) Upon the application for a "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige |
| 20 | license plate for persons with mobility impairments by any institution providing |
| 21 | transportation for persons with mobility impairments, the secretary shall issue such |
| 22 | special prestige license plate in accordance with the provisions set forth in R.S. |
| 23 | <u>47:463.4(K).</u> |
| 24 | (2) The person who is issued a "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige |
| 25 | license plate for persons with mobility impairments shall surrender the plate to the |
| 26 | secretary pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 47:463.4(A)(3), (4), and (5). |
| 27 | (3) The "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige license plate for |
| 28 | persons with mobility impairments shall bear the international symbol of |
| 29 | accessibility and shall be followed by such numbers or letters as the secretary finds |
| 30 | expedient. Each initial application shall be accompanied by a currently dated |

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| 1 | medical examiner's statement certifying that the applicant has a mobility impairment |
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| 2 | that is permanent. |
| 3 | B.(1) In addition to the "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige license |
| 4 | plate for persons with mobility impairments, the secretary shall issue a hang tag upon |
| 5 | application made by any person with a mobility impairment which is permanent |
| 6 | pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 47:463.4(B). |
| 7 | (2) Duplicate or renewal hang tags, and mobility impaired identification |
| 8 | cards shall be issued or renewed pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 47:463.4(C), (D), |
| 9 | and (J). |
| 10 | C. The terms "person with a mobility impairment" and "permanent" shall |
| 11 | retain the definitions ascribed to them pursuant to R.S. 47:463.4(E). |
| 12 | D. Parking requirements for persons with a "Team Gleason Foundation" |
| 13 | special prestige license plate for persons with mobility impairments or displaying a |
| 14 | hang tag shall be as provided for in R.S. 47:463.4(F) and (I). |
| 15 | E. Any person who willfully and falsely represents himself as having the |
| 16 | qualifications to obtain a "Team Gleason Foundation" special prestige license plate |
| 17 | for persons with mobility impairments, hang tag, or mobility impairment |
| 18 | identification card shall be subject to the applicable penalties provided for in R.S. |
| 19 | <u>47:463.4(G).</u> |
| 20 | F. The provisions of the law relating to the issuance, revocation, and use of |
| 21 | special prestige license plates, hang tags, mobility impairment drivers' licenses, and |
| 22 | mobility impairment identification cards shall be administered by the secretary of the |
| 23 | Department of Public Safety and Corrections and his authorized employees. All |
| 24 | references to "the secretary" with respect to those laws shall be deemed to be |
| 25 | references to the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, or to |
| 26 | his authorized employees. |
| 27 | Section 3. Section 2 of this Act shall take effect and become operative if and when |
| 28 | the requirements provided for in R.S. 47:463(A)(3) applicable to Section 1 are met. |
| 29 | Section 4. The Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor |
| 30 | vehicles, is hereby directed to create the special prestige license plate when the applicable |

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- 1 statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate the creation of new
- 2 plates.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____