

ACT No. 21

Regular Session, 2003

HOUSE BILL NO. 328

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEVERS AND SENATOR BAJIOIE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.111, relative to motor vehicle prestige license plates; to provide for the creation of a prestige license plate to honor and promote foster parenting and adoption; to provide for the issuance of such plate; to provide relative to the fees for such plate; to provide for use of such fees; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:463.111 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§463.111. Special prestige license plates; foster and adoptive parenting

A. The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall establish a special prestige license plate, to be known as the foster and adoptive parenting plate, provided there is a minimum of one thousand applicants for such plate. The license plate shall be restricted to passenger cars, pickup trucks, vans, and recreational vehicles. The secretary shall design the plate.

B. The prestige license plate shall be issued, upon application, to any citizen of Louisiana in the same manner as any other motor vehicle license plate.

C. The department shall collect an annual fee of twenty-five dollars for this special prestige license plate, which shall be dedicated to the Department of Social Services, office of community services, to be used solely for foster and adoptive parent recruitment activities. This fee shall be in addition to the regular motor vehicle license fee provided in R.S. 47:463, and a handling fee of three dollars and fifty cents to be retained by the department to offset a portion of administrative costs.

D. The department shall establish rules and regulations as are necessary to implement this Section.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided in Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____