

## **DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY**

### **Department of Public Safety and Corrections Office of Motor Vehicles**

#### **Reciprocity Agreements with Foreign Countries (LAC 55:III.171)**

Pursuant to the authority in R.S. 49:962, and in accordance with R.S. 32:404(F), the Office of Motor Vehicles adopts this Emergency Rule in order to amend Section 171 of Part III, Chapter 1, Driver's License, Subchapter B, Reciprocity to provide that no signed agreement is required with foreign governments that allow Louisiana residents to drive in their country with a Louisiana driver's license in order for citizens of that country to drive in Louisiana with the driver's license from their country or origin. This Emergency Rule is necessary to prevent imminent peril to the public welfare. This Emergency Rule is necessary in order to allow sugar cane farmers to hire adequate staff to transport the harvest to sugar cane mill. This Emergency Rule is effective June 13, 2025, and shall remain in effect for 180 days, or until the permanent Rule is adopted, whichever occurs first.

#### **Title 55**

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

#### **Part III. Motor Vehicles**

#### **Chapter 1. Driver's License**

#### **Subchapter B. Reciprocity Agreements with Foreign Countries**

#### **§171. General**

A. ...

B. The deputy secretary of Public Safety Services, or his designee, the commissioner of the Office of Motor Vehicles, may sign the reciprocity agreement on behalf of the department. A duly authorized representative of the foreign government may sign the agreement on behalf of the foreign government. No signature is required for foreign governments that currently allow Louisiana residents to drive in their country with their Louisiana driver's license.

C. - F. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 32:404(F).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of Motor Vehicles, LR 24:1316 (July 1998), amended LR 51:

#### **Public Comments**

All interested persons may submit written comments through, to Stephen A. Quidd, Executive Management Officer, Office of Motor Vehicles, Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, at P. O. Box 64886, Baton Rouge, LA 70896, delivered to 7979 Independence Blvd., Suite 301, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, [stephen.quidd2@la.gov](mailto:stephen.quidd2@la.gov) or faxed to (225)925-6303.

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