

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for members of the military who served in Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the Marine Lance Corporal David Lee Espinoza Act.

SECTION 2. Section 504.202(e-1), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e-1) Other than license plates issued under Subsection (h), license plates issued under this section may include, on request:

(1) the emblem of the veteran's branch of service; or

(2) one emblem from another license plate to which the person is entitled under Section 504.308, 504.309, 504.310(b), 504.311, 504.312, 504.313, 504.3135, 504.314, 504.315, 504.316, 504.3161, 504.318, 504.319, 504.320, 504.323, 504.325, ~~or~~ 504.327, or 504.331.

SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.331 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.331. OPERATION FREEDOM'S SENTINEL. The department shall issue specialty license plates for persons who served in the United States armed services and participated in Operation Freedom's Sentinel. The license plates must include the words "Freedom's Sentinel."

1 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 280 passed the Senate on April 12, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 280 passed the House on May 19, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 2, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor