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S.B. No. 2221

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to issuance of specialty license plates to honor personnel of sheriff's offices.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.680 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.680. SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS LICENSE PLATE.

(a) The department shall issue specialty license plates to honor the personnel of sheriff's offices. The license plates must include:

(1) the words "Support Your Sheriff's Office"; and

(2) a depiction of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas logo.

(b) After deduction of the department's administrative costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates shall be deposited to the credit of an account created by the comptroller in the manner provided by Section 504.6012(b). Money deposited to that account may be used only by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement to make grants to a nonprofit organization that has a history of promoting the training, retention, and professionalism of sheriff's deputies, county jail employees, emergency service center employees, or other positions and offices administered by a sheriff.

(c) Section 504.702 does not apply to a specialty license

1 plate issued under this section.

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