

Amend CSHB 2677 by adding the following SECTION to the bill, appropriately numbered, and renumbering existing SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Subchapter F, Chapter 502, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 502.2737 to read as follows:

Sec. 502.2737. TEXAS MASTER GARDENER LICENSE PLATES. (a)  
The department shall issue specially designed license plates for  
passenger cars and light trucks that include the seal of the Texas  
Master Gardener program of Texas Cooperative Extension.

(b) The department shall issue license plates under this  
section to a person who:

(1) applies to the assessor-collector of the county in  
which the person resides on a form provided by the department; and

(2) pays an annual fee of \$30, in addition to the fee  
prescribed by Section 502.161 or 502.162 and, if personalized  
prestige license plates are issued, in addition to the fee  
prescribed by Section 502.251.

(c) Of each fee collected under Subsection (b)(2), \$8 shall  
be used by the department only to defray the cost of administering  
this section. The department shall deposit the remainder of each  
fee collected to the credit of an account in the general revenue  
fund that may be appropriated only to Texas Cooperative Extension  
for graduate student assistantships within the Texas Master  
Gardener program and to support Texas Cooperative Extension's  
activities related to the Texas Master Gardener program.

(d) If the owner of a vehicle for which license plates were  
issued under this section disposes of the vehicle during a  
registration year, the owner shall return the special license  
plates to the department.

(b) This section takes effect September 1, 2003.