

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 3191  
By: Uresti  
Transportation  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

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- the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to issue specially designed San Antonio Missions National Historical Park license plates for passenger cars and light trucks.
- TxDOT to design the license plate in consultation with Los Compadres de San Antonio Missions National Historical Park.
- TxDOT to issue license plates under this section to a person who meets certain requirements.
- TxDOT to deposit \$22 of each fee collected under this section to the credit of Los Compadres de San Antonio Missions National Historical Park account in the state treasury. Authorizes money in the account to be used only by the Texas Historical Commission in making grants to Los Compadres de San Antonio Missions National Historical Park to be used only for the purpose of the preservation and rehabilitation of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park.
- the remainder of each fee collected under this section, after deposit, to be deposited to the credit of the state highway fund and used only to defray the cost of administering this section.
- the owner to return the special license plates to TxDOT, if the owner of a vehicle registered under this section disposes of the vehicle during the registration year.

The Bill authorizes the owner of the vehicle for which the plates were issued to obtain replacement plates from TxDOT by paying the replacement fee prescribed by Section 502.184(a)(2), if the license plates issued under this section are lost, stolen, or mutilated.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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