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H.B. No. 524

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of the Galveston-Port Bolivar ferry operated by the Texas Department of Transportation.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 342, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subchapter G to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER G. GALVESTON-PORT BOLIVAR FERRY

Sec. 342.501. FERRY VEHICLE STICKER. (a) An owner of a motor vehicle registered under Chapter 502 may apply to the department for issuance of a sticker for the vehicle that entitles the vehicle to have priority in boarding the Galveston-Port Bolivar ferry operated by the department.

(b) The department shall:

(1) design the sticker; and

(2) designate the place where a sticker must be affixed to the windshield of the motor vehicle for which it is issued.

Sec. 342.502. FEE. The department by rule shall establish the annual fee for a sticker under this subchapter in an amount sufficient to cover the cost of implementing and administering this subchapter.

Sec. 342.503. RULES AND FORMS. (a) The department may adopt rules to administer this subchapter.

(b) The department shall prescribe forms necessary for the

1 administration of this subchapter.

2 (c) The department shall adopt rules to ensure that a
3 vehicle displaying a sticker issued under Section 342.501 is given
4 priority in boarding the Galveston-Port Bolivar ferry only until
5 the ferry reaches 50 percent of its vehicle capacity.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.