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H.B. No. 1523

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the number of license plates to be issued for and
3 displayed on certain motor vehicles.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 502, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 502.010 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 502.010. ISSUANCE AND DISPLAY OF LICENSE PLATE FOR
8 CERTAIN VEHICLES. (a) This section applies only to a vehicle that
9 is owned by this state or a political subdivision of this state,
10 other than a law enforcement vehicle registered under Section
11 502.206.

12 (b) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter to the
13 contrary, including Section 502.180, the department shall issue
14 only one license plate for attachment at the rear of the vehicle for
15 which the plate is issued.

16 (c) Notwithstanding anything in this chapter to the
17 contrary, including Section 502.404(a), a person is entitled to
18 operate on a public highway a vehicle that displays only one license
19 plate if the plate is attached at the rear of the vehicle.

20 (d) In any provision of this chapter that relates to the
21 issuance or display of "license plates," "plates," or a "set of
22 plates," the term means only one license plate.

23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.