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H.B. No. 1913

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the issuance of Smile Texas Style license plates to
3 benefit the Texas Dental Association Financial Services.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 502, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 502.2736 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 502.2736. SMILE TEXAS STYLE LICENSE PLATES. (a) The
8 department shall issue specially designed "Smile Texas Style"
9 license plates for passenger cars and light trucks.

10 (b) The license plates must include the words "Smile Texas
11 Style" and be designed by the department in consultation with the
12 Texas Dental Association.

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

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

18 (2) pays an annual fee of \$30, in addition to the fee
19 prescribed by Section 502.161 and, if personalized prestige license
20 plates are issued, in addition to the fee prescribed by Section
21 502.251.

22 (d) Of each fee collected under this section:

23 (1) \$22 shall be deposited to the credit of the general
24 revenue fund to be used only by the Texas Department of Health in

1 making grants to benefit the Texas Dental Association Financial
2 Services for the sole use of providing charitable dental care; and

3 (2) \$8 shall be deposited to the credit of the state
4 highway fund to defray the cost of administering this section.

5 (e) If license plates issued under this section are lost,
6 stolen, or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle for which the license
7 plates were issued may obtain replacement plates from the
8 department by paying a replacement fee of \$5. If the owner of a
9 vehicle registered under this section disposes of the vehicle
10 during the registration year, the owner shall return the special
11 license plates to the department.

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