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S.B. No. 1231

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 relating to the issuance of special "United We Stand" license  
2 plates.  
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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 502.2664 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 502.2664. UNITED WE STAND LICENSE PLATES. (a) The  
8 department shall issue specially designed patriotic license plates  
9 for passenger cars and light trucks to support the Texas Military  
10 Preparedness Grant Account.

11 (b) The license plates must bear the words "United We Stand"  
12 and use only the colors red, white, blue, and black.

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

15 (1) applies to the tax assessor-collector of the  
16 county in which the person resides on the form for original  
17 registration or annual renewal of registration provided by the  
18 department; and

19 (2) pays an annual fee of \$30, in addition to the fee  
20 prescribed by Section 502.161 and, if personalized prestige license  
21 plates are issued, in addition to the fee prescribed by Section  
22 502.251.

23 (d) The department shall deposit \$20 of each fee collected  
24 under this section to the credit of the Texas Military Preparedness

1 Grant Account in the general revenue fund.

2 (e) The remainder of each fee collected under this section,  
3 after deposit as provided by Subsection (d), shall be deposited to  
4 the credit of the state highway fund and may be used only to defray  
5 the cost of administering this section.

6 (f) The fee for replacement of a lost, stolen, or mutilated  
7 license plate issued under this section is \$30, in addition to the  
8 fee prescribed by Section 502.184(a).

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

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect only if another Act of the  
11 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, creates the Texas Military  
12 Preparedness Grant Account and becomes law. If no Act of the 78th  
13 Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, creates the account and becomes  
14 law, this Act has no effect.