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> A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the issuance of special license plates to benefit 1-9 1-10 1-11 certain programs.

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

SECTION 1. Section 504.608, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 504.608. MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING [TEXAS COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE] LICENSE PLATES. (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates that include the words "Mothers Against Drunk Driving [Boy Scouts of America]." The department shall design the license plates in consultation with

Mothers Against Drunk Driving [the Boy Scouts of America].

(b) After deduction of the department's administrative costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates shall be deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund and may be appropriated only to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in making grants to benefit [Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse for] drug-abuse prevention and education programs sponsored by Mothers Against Drunk Driving [provided by nonprofit organizations that primarily serve children].

[(c) In selecting a program provider under Subsection (b), it is the intent of the legislature that, to the extent permissible, preference be given to a provider whose membership substantially consists of persons who purchase the specialty license plates.

SECTION 2. Subchapter G, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.6545 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.6545. BOY SCOUT LICENSE PLATES. (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates that include the words "Boy Scouts of America." The department shall design the license plates in consultation with the Boy Scouts of America.

(b) After deduction of the department's administrative costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates shall be deposited to the credit of the Boy Scout account in the general revenue fund. Money in the account may be used only by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in making grants to benefit educational projects sponsored by Boy Scout councils in this state.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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