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H.B. No. 1538

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

2 relating to the authority of a county assessor-collector or the
3 Texas Department of Transportation to refuse to register certain
4 vehicles.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 502.185(a), Transportation Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (a) A county assessor-collector or the department may
9 refuse to register a motor vehicle if the assessor-collector or the
10 department receives information that the owner of the vehicle owes
11 a [the] county in this state money for a fine, fee, or tax that is
12 past due.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.