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H.B. No. 1718

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to motor vehicle inspection fee refunds for vehicles used by volunteer fire departments.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 548, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 548.509 to read as follows:

Sec. 548.509. INSPECTION FEE REFUND FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES. (a) A person who pays a fee under Section 548.501 or 548.503 for a motor vehicle used for direct volunteer fire department business, including a fire truck or support vehicle, is eligible to receive a refund of the amount of the fee paid to the department.

(b) A person described by Subsection (a) must apply to the comptroller for a refund under this section.

(c) The comptroller shall adopt rules to implement this section.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an inspection fee paid on or after the effective date of this Act. An inspection fee paid before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the inspection fee was paid, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.