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H.B. No. 2854

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to license plates created by the Texas Department of  
Transportation for professional firefighters.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 504, Transportation Code,  
is amended by adding Section 504.414 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.414. PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTER PLATES. (a) The  
professional firefighter plate may be issued to qualified  
firefighters. The sponsor of the plate may nominate a state agency  
for receipt of funds under Section 504.801(e)(2)(A).

(b) After deduction of the department's administrative  
costs in accordance with Section 504.801, the remainder of the fees  
from the sale of professional firefighter plates shall be deposited  
to the credit of an account in the state treasury to be used by the  
nominated state agency for the purpose of making grants to support  
the activities of an organization of professional firefighters  
located in this state that provides emergency relief and college  
scholarship funds to the professional firefighters and their  
dependents.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
Act takes effect September 1, 2009.