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S.B. No. 1583

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to state fiscal matters.

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

ARTICLE 1. FISCAL MATTERS REGARDING ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGE REGULATION

SECTION 1.01. Section 5.56, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is repealed.

ARTICLE 2. FISCAL MATTERS REGARDING THE DRIVER'S LICENSE SYSTEM

SECTION 2.01. Subchapter A, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 521.007 to read as follows:

Sec. 521.007. TEMPORARY VISITOR STATIONS. (a) The department shall designate as temporary visitor stations certain driver's license offices.

(b) A driver's license office designated as a temporary visitor station under this section must have at least two staff members who have completed specialized training on the temporary visitor issuance guide published by the department.

(c) A driver's license office designated as a temporary visitor station shall provide information and assistance to other driver's license offices in the state.

SECTION 2.02. Section 521.421, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-3) to read as follows:

(a-3) Except as provided by Subsections (a-1) and (a-2), the fee for a driver's license or personal identification certificate

1 that is issued to a person who is not a citizen, national, or legal
2 permanent resident of the United States or a refugee or asylee
3 lawfully admitted into the United States and that is valid for not
4 more than one year is \$24.

5 SECTION 2.03. Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended
6 by adding Subchapter T to read as follows:

7 SUBCHAPTER T. DRIVER'S LICENSE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT; ACCOUNT AND
8 FEES

9 Sec. 521.481. DRIVER'S LICENSE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT.

10 (a) The driver's license system improvement account is an account
11 in the general revenue fund that may be appropriated only for the
12 purposes of improving and maintaining the driver's license system.

13 (b) The account consists of money deposited to the account
14 under this subchapter.

15 Sec. 521.482. DRIVER'S LICENSE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT FEES.

16 (a) The department shall collect a fee of:

17 (1) \$8 for the issuance or renewal of a driver's
18 license or personal identification certificate described by
19 Section 521.421(a) or (a-3);

20 (2) \$20 for the issuance of a commercial driver's
21 license or a commercial driver learner's permit issued to a
22 resident of this state who is not a citizen, national, or legal
23 permanent resident of the United States or a refugee or asylee
24 lawfully admitted into the United States; and

25 (3) \$40 for the issuance of a nonresident commercial
26 driver's license that is issued to a person who is not a resident of
27 this state and not a citizen, national, or legal permanent resident

1 of the United States or a refugee or asylee lawfully admitted into
2 the United States.

3 (b) A fee collected under this section may be used only for
4 the improvement of the driver's license system and shall be
5 deposited to the credit of the driver's license system improvement
6 account.

7 Sec. 521.483. RECORD REQUEST STANDARDIZATION FEE. (a) The
8 department shall charge a standardization fee for records requested
9 under Subchapter C.

10 (b) Subject to Section 521.046(b), the amount of the
11 standardization fee for a record request under Subchapter C is:

12 (1) \$2.50 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$2.50;

13 (2) \$6 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$4;

14 (3) \$5.50 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$4.50;

15 (4) \$5 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$5;

16 (5) \$4.50 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$5.50;

17 (6) \$4 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$6; and

18 (7) \$3 if the fee otherwise imposed is \$7.

19 (c) A standardization fee collected under this section
20 shall be deposited to the credit of the driver's license system
21 improvement account.

22 Sec. 521.484. DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT OR REISSUANCE
23 STANDARDIZATION FEE. (a) The department shall collect a
24 standardization fee of \$25 for the reinstatement or reissuance of a
25 license under Section 521.313, 521.3466(d), or 601.376 of this
26 code, or Section 13, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure.

27 (b) A standardization fee collected under this section

1 shall be deposited to the credit of the driver's license system
2 improvement account.

3 ARTICLE 3. FISCAL MATTERS RELATING TO THE AUTOMOBILE BURGLARY AND
4 THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY

5 SECTION 3.01. Section 10, Article 4413(37), Revised
6 Statutes, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding
7 Subsections (e) and (f) to read as follows:

8 (b) An insurer shall pay to the authority a fee equal to \$2
9 ~~[\$1]~~ multiplied by the total number of motor vehicle years of
10 insurance for insurance policies delivered, issued for delivery, or
11 renewed by the insurer. The fee shall be paid not later than:

12 (1) March 1 of each year for a policy issued,
13 delivered, or renewed from July 1 through December 31 of the
14 previous calendar year; and

15 (2) August 1 of each year for a policy issued,
16 delivered, or renewed from January 1 through June 30 of that year.

17 (e) Fifty percent of each fee collected under Subsection (b)
18 of this section shall be appropriated only to the authority for the
19 purposes of this article.

20 (f) Subsection (e) of this section expires on September 1,
21 2013, at which time the fees in Subsection (b) of this section shall
22 revert to the amount assessed immediately before September 1, 2011.

23 ARTICLE 4. TRANSITION PROVISIONS AND EFFECTIVE DATE

24 SECTION 4.01. Not later than January 1, 2013, the
25 Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas shall submit to
26 the legislature a report evaluating the effectiveness of the
27 temporary visitor stations established under Section 521.007,

1 Transportation Code, as added by this Act.

2 SECTION 4.02. The changes in law made by this Act to Chapter
3 521, Transportation Code, apply only to a driver's license,
4 personal identification certificate, commercial driver's license,
5 or commercial driver learner's permit issued, reissued,
6 reinstated, or renewed on or after the effective date of this Act.
7 A driver's license, personal identification certificate,
8 commercial driver's license, or commercial driver learner's permit
9 issued, reissued, reinstated, or renewed before the effective date
10 of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the license,
11 certificate, or permit was issued, reissued, reinstated, or
12 renewed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

13 SECTION 4.03. The fee imposed by Section 521.483,
14 Transportation Code, as added by this Act, applies to a record
15 request submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. A
16 record request submitted before the effective date of this Act is
17 governed by the law in effect on the date the request was submitted,
18 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

19 SECTION 4.04. Section 10, Article 4413(37), Revised
20 Statutes, as amended by this Act, applies only to an insurance
21 policy issued, delivered, or renewed on or after the effective date
22 of this Act. An insurance policy issued, delivered, or renewed
23 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
24 effect on the date the insurance policy was issued, delivered, or
25 renewed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

26 SECTION 4.05. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.