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H.B. No. 519

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to making a voluntary contribution to the donor registry
3 when registering a motor vehicle or applying for a driver's license
4 or personal identification certificate.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 502.405(b), Transportation Code, as
7 redesignated from Section 502.1745(b), Transportation Code, by
8 Chapter 1296 (H.B. 2357), Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular
9 Session, 2011, is reenacted to incorporate amendments to Section
10 502.1745(b), Transportation Code, made by Chapters 554 (H.B. 2904)
11 and 1296 (H.B. 2357), Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular
12 Session, 2011, and amended to read as follows:

13 (b) A person may elect to pay an additional fee of \$1 for the
14 registration or renewal of registration of a motor vehicle to pay
15 the costs of the Glenda Dawson Donate Life-Texas Registry
16 established under Chapter 692A, Health and Safety Code. The county
17 assessor-collector shall hold any additional fee paid under this
18 subsection in trust for the nonprofit organization administering
19 the Glenda Dawson Donate Life-Texas Registry under Chapter 692A,
20 Health and Safety Code. Not later than the 14th day of each month,
21 the county assessor-collector shall send the money collected under
22 this subsection to the organization. Before sending the money to
23 the organization, the county assessor-collector may deduct money
24 equal to the amount of reasonable expenses for administering this

1 subsection. Money received under this subsection by the
2 organization may be used only to manage the organization's
3 registry. The organization shall submit an annual report to the
4 legislature and the comptroller that includes the total dollar
5 amount of money received by the organization under this subsection.
6 ~~[Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, all fees~~
7 ~~collected under this subsection shall be remitted to the~~
8 ~~comptroller, who shall maintain the identity of the source of the~~
9 ~~fees.]~~

10 SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,
11 is amended by adding Section 521.008 to read as follows:

12 Sec. 521.008. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO DONOR REGISTRY.

13 (a) When a person applies for an original or renewal driver's
14 license under this chapter, the person may contribute \$1 or more to
15 the nonprofit organization administering the Glenda Dawson Donate
16 Life-Texas Registry under Chapter 692A, Health and Safety Code.

17 (b) The department shall:

18 (1) include space on each application for a new or
19 renewal driver's license that allows a person applying for a new or
20 renewal driver's license to indicate the amount that the person is
21 voluntarily contributing to the organization; and

22 (2) provide an opportunity for the person to
23 contribute to the organization during the application process for a
24 new or renewal driver's license on the department's Internet
25 website.

26 (c) The department shall hold any contribution made under
27 this section in trust for the organization. Not later than the 14th

1 day of each month, the department shall send the money collected
2 under this section to the organization. Before sending the money to
3 the organization, the department may deduct money equal to the
4 amount of reasonable expenses for administering this section.

5 (d) Money received under this section by the organization
6 may be used only to manage the organization's registry.

7 (e) The organization shall submit an annual report to the
8 legislature and the comptroller that includes the total dollar
9 amount of contributions received by the organization under this
10 section.

11 SECTION 3. Section 521.422(c), Transportation Code, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 (c) A person may elect to pay [~~The department shall collect~~]
14 an additional fee of \$1 for the issuance or renewal of a personal
15 identification card, including a duplicate personal identification
16 card or a personal identification card issued or renewed over the
17 Internet or by other electronic means, to pay the costs of the
18 Glenda Dawson Donate Life-Texas Registry established under Chapter
19 692A, Health and Safety Code[, ~~if the person applying for or~~
20 ~~renewing a personal identification card opts to pay the additional~~
21 ~~fee. The department shall remit fees collected under this~~
22 ~~subsection to the comptroller, who shall maintain the identity of~~
23 ~~the source of the fees. Subject to appropriation, the department~~
24 ~~may retain three percent of the money collected under this~~
25 ~~subsection to cover the costs in administering this subsection].~~

26 The department shall hold any additional fee paid under this
27 subsection in trust for the nonprofit organization administering

1 the Glenda Dawson Donate Life-Texas Registry under Chapter 692A,
2 Health and Safety Code. Not later than the 14th day of each month,
3 the department shall send the money collected under this subsection
4 to the organization. Before sending the money to the organization,
5 the department may deduct money equal to the amount of reasonable
6 expenses for administering this subsection. Money received by the
7 organization may be used only to manage the organization's
8 registry. The organization shall submit an annual report to the
9 legislature and the comptroller that includes the total dollar
10 amount of money received by the organization under this subsection.

11 SECTION 4. Section 521.008, Transportation Code, as added
12 by this Act, applies only to a driver's license issued or renewed on
13 or after January 1, 2014.

14 SECTION 5. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
15 over another Act of the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013,
16 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
17 codes.

18 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.