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H.B. No. 827

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to an agreement between the Department of Public Safety
3 and certain counties for the provision of renewal and duplicate
4 driver's license and other identification certificate services;
5 authorizing a fee.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,
8 is amended by adding Section 521.008 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 521.008. AGREEMENT REGARDING THE PROVISION OF RENEWAL
10 AND DUPLICATE DRIVER'S LICENSE AND OTHER IDENTIFICATION
11 CERTIFICATE SERVICES. (a) The department may enter into an
12 agreement with the commissioners court of a county with a
13 population of 50,000 or less to permit county employees to provide
14 services at a county office relating to the issuance of renewal and
15 duplicate driver's licenses, election identification certificates,
16 and personal identification certificates, including:

- 17 (1) taking photographs;
18 (2) updating a driver's license, election
19 identification certificate, or personal identification certificate
20 to change a name, address, or photograph;
21 (3) distributing and collecting information relating
22 to donations under Section 521.401;
23 (4) collecting fees; and
24 (5) performing other basic ministerial functions and

1 tasks necessary to issue renewal and duplicate driver's licenses,
2 election identification certificates, and personal identification
3 certificates.

4 (b) A participating county must remit to the department for
5 deposit as required by this chapter fees collected for the issuance
6 of a renewal or duplicate driver's license or personal
7 identification certificate.

8 (c) A county office that provides written consent to the
9 commissioners court may provide services under an agreement
10 described by this section.

11 (d) The department shall provide all equipment necessary to
12 perform the services described by Subsection (a), including network
13 connectivity.

14 (e) The department shall adopt rules to administer this
15 section.

16 SECTION 2. Subchapter R, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,
17 is amended by adding Section 521.428 to read as follows:

18 Sec. 521.428. COUNTY SERVICES FEE. (a) A county that
19 provides services under an agreement described by Section 521.008
20 may collect an additional fee of \$5 for each transaction provided
21 that relates to driver's license and personal identification
22 certificate services only.

23 (b) Notwithstanding Sections 521.425 and 521.427, the
24 county may retain money collected under this section to cover the
25 costs of providing services described by Subsection (a).

26 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.