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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the disposition of fees collected by or on behalf of the
- 3 Texas Department of Motor Vehicles; authorizing fees.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 232.014(b), Family Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (b) A fee collected by the Texas Department of Motor
- 8 Vehicles shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 9 Motor Vehicles fund. A fee collected by [or] the Department of
- 10 Public Safety shall be deposited to the credit of the state highway
- 11 fund.
- 12 SECTION 2. Section 2301.156, Occupations Code, is amended
- 13 to read as follows:
- 14 Sec. 2301.156. DEPOSIT OF REVENUE. Notwithstanding any
- 15 other law to the contrary, all money collected by the board under
- 16 this chapter shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit
- 17 of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state highway] fund.
- SECTION 3. Section 2301.801(c), Occupations Code, is
- 19 amended to read as follows:
- 20 (c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a civil
- 21 penalty recovered under this chapter shall be deposited in the
- 22 state treasury to the credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor</u>
- 23 Vehicles [state highway] fund.
- SECTION 4. Section 501.0234(b), Transportation Code, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 (b) This section does not apply to a motor vehicle:
- 3 (1) that has been declared a total loss by an insurance
- 4 company in the settlement or adjustment of a claim;
- 5 (2) for which the title has been surrendered in
- 6 exchange for:
- 7 (A) a salvage vehicle title or salvage record of
- 8 title issued under this chapter;
- 9 (B) a nonrepairable vehicle title or
- 10 nonrepairable vehicle record of title issued under this chapter or
- 11 Subchapter D, Chapter 683; or
- 12 (C) an ownership document issued by another state
- 13 that is comparable to a document described by Paragraph (A) or (B);
- 14 (3) with a gross weight in excess of 11,000 pounds; or
- 15 (4) purchased by a commercial fleet buyer who is a
- 16 full-service deputy <u>authorized</u> by rules <u>adopted</u> under Section
- 17 520.0071 [520.008] and who utilizes the dealer title application
- 18 process developed to provide a method to submit title transactions
- 19 to the county in which the commercial fleet buyer is a full-service
- 20 deputy.
- 21 SECTION 5. Section 501.033(c), Transportation Code, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- (c) A fee of \$2 must accompany each application under this
- 24 section to be deposited in the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u>
- 25 [state highway] fund.
- SECTION 6. Section 501.076(c), Transportation Code, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:

- 1 (c) The person named as the agent in the limited power of
- 2 attorney must meet the following requirements:
- 3 (1) the person may be a person who has been <u>deputized</u>
- 4 [appointed by the commissioners court as a deputy] to perform
- 5 vehicle registration functions as authorized by rules adopted under
- 6 Section 520.0071 [520.0091], a licensed vehicle auction company
- 7 holding a wholesale general distinguishing number under Section
- 8 503.022, a person who has a permit similar to one of the foregoing
- 9 that is issued by the state in which the owner is located, or
- 10 another person authorized by law to execute title documents in the
- 11 state in which the owner executes the documents; and
- 12 (2) the person may not be the transferee or an employee
- 13 of the transferee. The person may not act as the agent of both the
- 14 transferor and transferee in the transaction. For the purposes of
- 15 this section, a person is not the agent of both the transferor and
- 16 transferee in a transaction unless the person has the authority to
- 17 sign the documents pertaining to the transfer of title on behalf of
- 18 both the transferor and the transferee.
- 19 SECTION 7. Section 501.097(d), Transportation Code, is
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- 21 (d) The fee collected under Subsection (a)(1) shall be
- 22 credited to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway]
- 23 fund to defray the costs of administering this subchapter and the
- 24 costs to the department for issuing the title.
- 25 SECTION 8. Section 501.134(a), Transportation Code, is
- 26 amended to read as follows:
- 27 (a) If a printed title is lost or destroyed, the owner or

- 1 lienholder disclosed on the title may obtain, in the manner
- 2 provided by this section and department rule, a certified copy of
- 3 the lost or destroyed title directly from the department by
- 4 applying in a manner prescribed by the department and paying a fee
- 5 of \$2. A fee collected under this subsection shall be deposited to
- 6 the credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state
- 7 highway] fund and may be spent only as provided by Section 501.138.
- 8 SECTION 9. Section 501.138(c), Transportation Code, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 (c) Of the amount received under Subsection (b)(2), the
- 11 department shall deposit:
- 12 (1) \$5 in the general revenue fund; and
- 13 (2) \$3 to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor
- 14 <u>Vehicles</u> [state highway] fund to recover the expenses necessary to
- 15 administer this chapter.
- SECTION 10. Section 501.148(b), Transportation Code, is
- 17 amended to read as follows:
- 18 (b) The county assessor-collector shall report and remit
- 19 the balance of the fees collected to the department on Monday of
- 20 each week as other fees are required to be reported and remitted.
- 21 The department shall deposit the remitted fees in the state
- 22 treasury to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles
- 23 fund.
- SECTION 11. Section 501.178, Transportation Code, is
- 25 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 501.178. DISPOSITION OF FEES. All fees collected
- 27 under this subchapter shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas

- 1 Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund.
- 2 SECTION 12. Section 502.058, Transportation Code, is
- 3 amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 4 (c) A fee collected under Subsection (a) shall be deposited
- 5 to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 6 SECTION 13. Section 502.060, Transportation Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 8 <u>(e) The portion of the fee sent to the department under</u>
- 9 Subsection (d) shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas
- 10 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 11 SECTION 14. Section 502.094(h), Transportation Code, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 (h) The department may establish one or more escrow accounts
- 14 in the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund for
- 15 the prepayment of a 72-hour permit or a 144-hour permit. Any fee
- 16 established by the department for the administration of this
- 17 subsection shall be administered as required by an agreement
- 18 entered into by the department.
- 19 SECTION 15. Section 502.146(a), Transportation Code, is
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- 21 (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates to a
- 22 vehicle described by Subsection (b) or (c). The fee for the license
- 23 plates is \$5 and shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas
- 24 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 25 SECTION 16. Section 502.191, Transportation Code, is
- 26 amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:
- 27 (f) The department may not collect a fee under Subsection

- 1 (c) or (d) if the department collects a fee under Section 502.1911.
- 2 SECTION 17. Subchapter E, Chapter 502, Transportation Code,
- 3 is amended by adding Section 502.1911 to read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 502.1911. REGISTRATION PROCESSING AND HANDLING FEE.
- 5 (a) The department may collect a fee, in addition to other
- 6 registration fees for the issuance of a license plate, a set of
- 7 <u>license plates</u>, or another device used as the registration
- 8 insignia, to cover the expenses of collecting those registration
- 9 fees, including a service charge for registration by mail.
- 10 (b) The board by rule shall set the fee in an amount that:
- 11 (1) includes the fee established under Section
- 12 502.356(a); and
- 13 (2) is sufficient to cover the expenses associated
- 14 with collecting registration fees by:
- 15 (A) the department;
- 16 (B) a county tax assessor-collector;
- 17 (C) a private entity with which a county tax
- 18 assessor-collector contracts under Section 502.197; or
- 19 (D) a deputy assessor-collector that is
- 20 deputized in accordance with board rule under Section 520.0071.
- 21 <u>(c) The county tax assessor-collector, a private entity</u>
- 22 with which a county tax assessor-collector contracts under Section
- 23 502.197, or a deputy assessor-collector may retain a portion of the
- 24 fee collected under Subsection (b) as provided by board rule.
- 25 Remaining amounts collected under this section shall be deposited
- 26 to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 27 SECTION 18. Section 502.192, Transportation Code, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 502.192. TRANSFER FEE. The purchaser of a used motor
- 3 vehicle shall pay, in addition to any fee required under Chapter 501
- 4 for the transfer of title, a transfer fee of \$2.50 for the transfer
- 5 of the registration of the motor vehicle. The county
- 6 assessor-collector may retain as commission for services provided
- 7 under this subchapter half of each transfer fee collected. The
- 8 portion of each transfer fee not retained by the county
- 9 assessor-collector shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas
- 10 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- SECTION 19. Sections 502.197(a) and (b), Transportation
- 12 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 13 (a) A county assessor-collector may retain [collect] a
- 14 service charge in the amount determined by the board under Section
- 15 502.1911 [of \$1] from each applicant registering a vehicle by
- 16 mail. The service charge shall be used to pay the costs of handling
- 17 and postage to mail the registration receipt and insignia to the
- 18 applicant.
- 19 (b) With the approval of the commissioners court of a
- 20 county, a county assessor-collector may contract with a private
- 21 entity to enable an applicant for registration to use an electronic
- 22 off-premises location. A private entity may retain an amount
- 23 determined by the board under Section 502.1911 [charge an applicant
- 24 not more than \$1] for the service provided.
- 25 SECTION 20. Sections 502.198(a), (c), and (d),
- 26 Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 27 (a) Except as provided by Sections 502.058, 502.060,

- 1 <u>502.1911</u>, <u>502.192</u>, 502.1982, and 502.357, this section applies to
- 2 all fees collected by a county assessor-collector under this
- 3 chapter.
- 4 (c) After the credits to the county road and bridge fund
- 5 equal the total computed under Subsection (b), each Monday the
- 6 county assessor-collector shall:
- 7 (1) credit to the county road and bridge fund an amount
- 8 equal to 50 percent of the net collections made during the preceding
- 9 week, until the amount so credited for the calendar year equals
- 10 \$125,000; and
- 11 (2) send to the department an amount equal to 50
- 12 percent of those collections for deposit to the credit of the state
- 13 highway fund.
- 14 (d) After the credits to the county road and bridge fund
- 15 equal the total amounts computed under Subsections (b) and (c)(1),
- 16 each Monday the county assessor-collector shall send to the
- 17 department all collections made during the preceding week for
- 18 deposit to the credit of the state highway fund.
- 19 SECTION 21. Section 502.1982, Transportation Code, is
- 20 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 502.1982. DISPOSITION OF OPTIONAL COUNTY ROAD AND
- 22 BRIDGE FEE. Each Monday a county assessor-collector shall
- 23 apportion the collections for the preceding week for a fee imposed
- 24 under Section 502.401 by:
- 25 (1) crediting an amount equal to 97 percent of the
- 26 collections to the county road and bridge fund; and
- 27 (2) sending to the department for deposit to the

- 1 credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund an amount
- 2 equal to three percent of the collections to defray the
- 3 department's costs of administering Section 502.401.
- 4 SECTION 22. Section 502.1984(a), Transportation Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (a) A fee required to be sent to the department under this
- 7 chapter bears interest for the benefit of the state highway fund or
- 8 the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund, as applicable, at an
- 9 annual rate of 10 percent beginning on the 60th day after the date
- 10 the county assessor-collector collects the fee.
- 11 SECTION 23. Section 502.356, Transportation Code, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 Sec. 502.356. AUTOMATED REGISTRATION AND TITLING SYSTEM.
- 14 (a) In addition to other registration fees for a license plate or
- 15 set of license plates or other device used as the registration
- 16 insignia, a fee of \$1 shall be collected <u>and shall be deposited into</u>
- 17 the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 18 (b) The department may use money collected under this
- 19 section to provide for or enhance the automation of and the
- 20 necessary infrastructure for:
- 21 (1) [automated] on-premises and off-premises
- 22 registration and permitting; [and]
- 23 (2) services related to the titling of vehicles; and
- 24 (3) licensing and enforcement procedures.
- 25 SECTION 24. Section 502.405(c), Transportation Code, is
- 26 amended to read as follows:
- 27 (c) Three percent of all money collected under this section

- 1 shall be credited to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund and
- 2 may be appropriated only to the department to administer this
- 3 section.
- 4 SECTION 25. Section 503.007(d), Transportation Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (d) A fee collected under this section shall be deposited to
- 7 the credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state
- 8 highway] fund.
- 9 SECTION 26. Section 503.008(d), Transportation Code, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 (d) A fee collected under this section shall be deposited to
- 12 the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state
- 13 highway] fund.
- 14 SECTION 27. Section 503.012, Transportation Code, is
- 15 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 503.012. COLLECTED MONEY. Section 403.095, Government
- 17 Code, does not apply to money received by the department and
- 18 deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles
- 19 [state highway] fund in accordance with this chapter.
- SECTION 28. Section 503.0615(f), Transportation Code, is
- 21 amended to read as follows:
- 22 (f) Of each fee collected by the department under this
- 23 section:
- 24 (1) \$1.25 shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas
- 25 Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund to defray the
- 26 cost of administering this section; and
- 27 (2) the remainder shall be deposited to the credit of

- 1 the general revenue fund.
- 2 SECTION 29. Section 503.0618, Transportation Code, is
- 3 amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 4 (e) A fee collected under this section shall be deposited to
- 5 the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 6 SECTION 30. Section 503.063(g), Transportation Code, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 (g) For each buyer's temporary tag, a dealer shall charge
- 9 the buyer a registration fee of not more than \$5 as prescribed by
- 10 the department to be sent to the comptroller for deposit to the
- 11 credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state highway]
- 12 fund.
- 13 SECTION 31. Section 503.065, Transportation Code, is
- 14 amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:
- 15 (f) A fee collected under this section shall be deposited to
- 16 the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 17 SECTION 32. Section 504.002, Transportation Code, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 Sec. 504.002. GENERAL PROVISIONS. Unless expressly
- 20 provided by this chapter or by department rule:
- 21 (1) except for license plates specified as exempt, the
- 22 fee for issuance of a license plate, including replacement plates,
- 23 is in addition to each other fee that is paid for at the time of the
- 24 registration of the motor vehicle and shall be deposited to the
- 25 credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway]
- 26 fund;
- 27 (2) if the registration period is greater than 12

- 1 months, the expiration date of a specialty license plate, symbol,
- 2 tab, or other device shall be aligned with the registration period,
- 3 and the specialty plate fee shall be adjusted pro rata, except that
- 4 if the statutory annual fee for a specialty license plate is \$5 or
- 5 less, it may not be prorated;
- 6 (3) the department is the exclusive owner of the
- 7 design of each license plate;
- 8 (4) if a license plate is lost, stolen, or mutilated,
- 9 an application for a replacement plate must be accompanied by the
- 10 fee prescribed by Section 502.060; and
- 11 (5) the department shall prepare the designs and
- 12 specifications of license plates.
- SECTION 33. Section 504.007(c), Transportation Code, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- 15 (c) A county assessor-collector shall retain \$2.50 of each
- 16 fee collected under this section and forward the remainder of the
- 17 fee to the department for deposit to the credit of the Texas
- 18 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 19 SECTION 34. Sections 504.009(b) and (c), Transportation
- 20 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 21 (b) The fee for a single souvenir license plate is \$20. The
- 22 fee shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 23 Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund unless the souvenir license
- 24 plate is a replica of a specialty license plate issued under
- 25 Subchapter G or I for which the fee is deposited to an account other
- 26 than the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund,
- 27 in which case:

- 1 (1) \$10 of the fee for the souvenir license plate shall
- 2 be deposited to the credit of the designated account; and
- 3 (2) \$10 of the fee for the souvenir license plate shall
- 4 be deposited to the credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u>
- 5 [state highway] fund.
- 6 (c) If a souvenir license plate issued before November 19,
- 7 2009, is personalized, the fee for the plate is \$40. Of the fee:
- 8 (1) \$20 shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas
- 9 Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund;
- 10 (2) \$10 shall be deposited to the credit of the
- 11 designated account if the souvenir license plate is a replica of a
- 12 specialty license plate issued under Subchapter G or I for which the
- 13 fee is deposited to a designated account other than the Texas
- 14 Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund; and
- 15 (3) the remainder shall be deposited to the credit of
- 16 the general revenue fund.
- 17 SECTION 35. Section 504.647(b), Transportation Code, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 (b) The fee shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas
- 20 Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund.
- 21 SECTION 36. Section 504.801(e), Transportation Code, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- (e) For each fee collected for a license plate issued by the
- 24 department under this section:
- 25 (1) \$8 shall be used to reimburse the department for
- 26 its administrative costs; and
- 27 (2) the remainder shall be deposited to the credit of:

- 1 (A) the specialty license plate fund, which is an
- 2 account in the general revenue fund, if the sponsor nominated a
- 3 state agency to receive the funds; or
- 4 (B) the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state
- 5 highway fund if the sponsor did not nominate a state agency to
- 6 receive the funds or if there is no sponsor.
- 7 SECTION 37. Section 504.851(j), Transportation Code, is
- 8 amended to read as follows:
- 9 (j) From amounts received by the department under the
- 10 contract described by Subsection (a), the department shall deposit
- 11 to the credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state
- 12 highway fund an amount sufficient to enable the department to
- 13 recover its administrative costs for all license plates issued
- 14 under this section, any payments to the vendor under the contract,
- 15 and any other amounts allocated by law to the <u>Texas Department of</u>
- 16 Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund. To the extent that the
- 17 disposition of other amounts received by the department is governed
- 18 by another law, those amounts shall be deposited in accordance with
- 19 the other law. Any additional amount received by the department
- 20 under the contract shall be deposited to the credit of the general
- 21 revenue fund.
- 22 SECTION 38. Section 520.001, Transportation Code, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 520.001. DEFINITIONS [DEFINITION]. In this chapter:
- 25 (1) "Board" means the board of the Texas Department of
- 26 Motor Vehicles.
- 27 (2) "Department" [, "department"] means the Texas

- 1 Department of Motor Vehicles.
- 2 SECTION 39. Section 520.005(c), Transportation Code, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 (c) The [Notwithstanding the requirements of Sections
- 5 $\frac{520.008}{20.009}$ and $\frac{520.0091}{10.009}$ assessor-collector may license
- 6 franchised and non-franchised motor vehicle dealers to title and
- 7 register motor vehicles in accordance with rules adopted under
- 8 Section 520.004. The county assessor-collector may pay a fee to a
- 9 motor vehicle dealer independent of or as part of the portion of the
- 10 fees that would be collected by the county for each title and
- 11 registration receipt issued.
- 12 SECTION 40. Section 520.006(a), Transportation Code, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 (a) A county assessor-collector shall retain an amount
- 15 determined by the board under Section 502.1911 [receive a fee of
- 16 $\frac{\$1.90}{}$ for each receipt issued under Chapter 502.
- 17 SECTION 41. Subchapter A, Chapter 520, Transportation Code,
- 18 is amended by adding Section 520.0071 to read as follows:
- 19 Sec. 520.0071. DEPUTIES. (a) The board by rule shall
- 20 prescribe:
- 21 (1) the classification types of deputies performing
- 22 titling and registration duties;
- 23 (2) the duties and obligations of deputies; and
- 24 (3) the type and amount of any bonds that may be
- 25 required by a county assessor-collector for a deputy to perform
- 26 titling and registration duties.
- 27 (b) A county assessor-collector, with the approval of the

- 1 commissioners court of the county, may deputize an individual or
- 2 business entity to perform titling and registration services in
- 3 accordance with rules adopted under Subsection (a).
- 4 SECTION 42. Section 520.0093(e), Transportation Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (e) Under the agreement, the department shall charge an
- 7 amount not less than the amount of the cost to the department to
- 8 provide the additional equipment and any related services under the
- 9 lease. All money collected under the lease shall be deposited to
- 10 the credit of the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state
- 11 highway] fund.
- 12 SECTION 43. Section 520.016(c), Transportation Code, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 (c) This section does not apply to a violation of Section
- 15 520.006 or a rule adopted under Section 520.0071[, 520.008,
- 16 $\frac{520.009}{520.0091}$, or $\frac{520.0092}{1}$].
- SECTION 44. Sections 621.351(a) and (c), Transportation
- 18 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 19 (a) The department may establish one or more escrow accounts
- 20 in the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund for
- 21 the prepayment of a fee for a permit issued by the department that
- 22 authorizes the operation of a vehicle and its load or a combination
- 23 of vehicles and load exceeding size or weight limitations.
- (c) The department shall deposit each fee established under
- 25 this section to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles
- 26 [state highway] fund. The fees may be appropriated only to the
- 27 department for purposes of administering this section.

- 1 SECTION 45. Section 621.352(a), Transportation Code, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 (a) The board by rule may establish fees for the
- 4 administration of Section 621.003 in an amount that, when added to
- 5 the other fees collected by the department, does not exceed the
- 6 amount sufficient to recover the actual cost to the department of
- 7 administering that section. An administrative fee collected under
- 8 this section shall be sent to the comptroller for deposit to the
- 9 credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway]
- 10 fund and may be appropriated only to the department for the
- 11 administration of Section 621.003.
- 12 SECTION 46. Section 621.353(a), Transportation Code, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 (a) The comptroller shall send \$50 of each base fee
- 15 collected under Section 623.011 for an excess weight permit to the
- 16 counties of the state, with each county receiving an amount
- 17 determined according to the ratio of the total number of miles of
- 18 county roads maintained by the county to the total number of miles
- 19 of county roads maintained by all of the counties of this
- 20 state. The comptroller shall deposit \$40 of each base fee, plus
- 21 each fee collected under Section 623.0112, to the credit of the
- 22 <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state highway] fund. Money
- 23 deposited to the credit of that fund under this subsection may be
- 24 appropriated only to the department to administer this section and
- 25 Sections 623.011, 623.0111, and 623.0112.
- SECTION 47. Section 621.354, Transportation Code, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:

- 1 Sec. 621.354. DISPOSITION OF FEES FOR PERMIT FOR MOVEMENT
- 2 OF CYLINDRICAL HAY BALES. Of each fee collected under Section
- 3 <u>623.017, the</u> [The] department shall deposit:
- 4 (1) 90 percent [each fee collected under Section
- 5 623.017] in the state treasury to the credit of the state highway
- 6 fund; and
- 7 (2) 10 percent in the state treasury to the credit of
- 8 the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 9 SECTION 48. Section 623.0111(c), Transportation Code, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 (c) Of the fees collected under Subsection (a), the
- 12 following amounts shall be deposited to the general revenue fund,
- 13 90 percent of [and] the remainder shall be deposited to the credit
- 14 of the state highway fund, and 10 percent of the remainder shall be
- 15 deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles
- 16 <u>fund</u>:
- 17 Number of Counties Amount Allocated to
- 18 Designated General Revenue Fund
- 19 1-5 \$125
- 20 6-20 \$125
- 21 21-40 \$345
- 22 41-60 \$565
- 23 61-80 \$785
- 24 81-100 \$900
- 25 101-254 \$1,000
- SECTION 49. Sections 623.014(c) and (d), Transportation
- 27 Code, are amended to read as follows:

- 1 (c) The department shall issue the prorated credit if the
- 2 person:
- 3 (1) pays the fee adopted by the board [department];
- 4 and
- 5 (2) provides the department with:
- 6 (A) the original permit; or
- 7 (B) if the original permit does not exist,
- 8 written evidence in a form approved by the department that the
- 9 vehicle has been destroyed or is permanently inoperable.
- 10 (d) The fee adopted by the \underline{board} [$\underline{department}$] under
- 11 Subsection (c)(1) may not exceed the cost of issuing the credit. \underline{A}
- 12 <u>fee collected by the department under Subsection (c)(1) shall be</u>
- 13 <u>deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u>
- 14 fund.
- SECTION 50. Sections 623.0711(g) and (h), Transportation
- 16 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 17 (g) An application for a permit under this section must be
- 18 accompanied by the permit fee established by the department, in
- 19 consultation with the commission, for the permit, not to exceed
- 20 \$9,000. The department shall send each fee to the comptroller, who
- 21 <u>shall</u> [for] deposit:
- 22 <u>(1) 90 percent of the fee</u> to the credit of the state
- 23 highway fund; and
- 24 (2) 10 percent of the fee to the credit of the Texas
- 25 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 26 (h) In addition to the fee established under Subsection (g),
- 27 the commission rules must authorize the department to collect a

- 1 consolidated permit payment for a permit under this section in an
- 2 amount not to exceed 15 percent of the fee established under
- 3 Subsection (g), of which:
- 4 (1) 90 percent shall [to] be deposited to the credit of
- 5 the state highway fund; and
- 6 (2) 10 percent shall be deposited to the credit of the
- 7 Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 8 SECTION 51. Section 623.076, Transportation Code, is
- 9 amended by amending Subsections (a-1) and (c) and adding Subsection
- 10 (b-1) to read as follows:
- 11 (a-1) The following amounts collected under Subsection (a)
- 12 shall be deposited to the general revenue fund, 90 percent of [and]
- 13 the remainder shall be deposited to the credit of the state highway
- 14 fund, and 10 percent of the remainder shall be deposited to the
- 15 <u>credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund</u>:
- 16 Amount of Fee Amount Allocated to General Revenue Fund
- 17 \$60 (single-trip permit) \$30
- 18 \$120 (30-day permit) \$60
- 19 \$180 \$90
- 20 \$240 \$120
- 21 \$270 \$135
- 22 <u>(b-1) The department shall deposit a fee collected under</u>
- 23 Subsection (b)(3) to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor
- 24 Vehicles fund.
- (c) An application for a permit under Section 623.071(c)(3)
- 26 or (d) must be accompanied by the permit fee established by the
- 27 board, in consultation with the commission, for the permit, not to

- 1 exceed \$7,000. Of each fee collected under this subsection, the
- 2 department shall send:
- 3 (1) the first \$1,000 to the comptroller for deposit to
- 4 the credit of the general revenue fund; and
- 5 (2) any amount in excess of \$1,000 to the comptroller,
- 6 who shall [for] deposit:
- 7 (A) 90 percent of the excess to the credit of the
- 8 state highway fund; and
- 9 (B) 10 percent of the excess to the credit of the
- 10 Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 11 SECTION 52. Section 623.077(b), Transportation Code, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 (b) The department shall send each fee collected under
- 14 Subsection (a) to the comptroller, who shall [for] deposit:
- 15 (1) 90 percent of the fee to the credit of the state
- 16 highway fund; and
- 17 (2) 10 percent of the fee to the credit of the Texas
- 18 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 19 SECTION 53. Sections 623.096(a) and (c), Transportation
- 20 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 21 (a) The department shall collect a fee of \$40 for each
- 22 permit issued under this subchapter. Of each fee, \$19.70 shall be
- 23 deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund and of the
- 24 remainder:
- 25 (1) 90 percent shall be deposited to the credit of the
- 26 state highway fund; and
- 27 (2) 10 percent shall be deposited to the credit of the

- 1 Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 2 (c) The department may establish an escrow account within
- 3 the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund for the payment of
- 4 permit fees.
- 5 SECTION 54. Section 623.124(b), Transportation Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (b) The department shall send each fee collected under this
- 8 section to the comptroller. Of each fee received from the
- 9 department, the comptroller shall deposit:
- 10 (1) \$7.50 to the credit of the general revenue fund;
- 11 and
- 12 (2) of the remainder:
- 13 (A) 90 percent [\$7.50] to the credit of the state
- 14 highway fund; and
- 15 (B) 10 percent to the credit of the Texas
- 16 Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 17 SECTION 55. Section 623.147, Transportation Code, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 Sec. 623.147. DEPOSIT OF FEE IN STATE HIGHWAY FUND AND IN
- 20 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FUND. A fee collected under this
- 21 subchapter shall be deposited as follows:
- 22 (1) 90 percent to the credit of the state highway fund;
- 23 and
- (2) 10 percent to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 25 Motor Vehicles fund.
- SECTION 56. Section 623.182(b), Transportation Code, is
- 27 amended to read as follows:

- 1 (b) The department shall send each fee collected under this
- 2 subchapter to the comptroller. Of each fee received from the
- 3 department, the comptroller shall deposit \$50 to the credit of the
- 4 general revenue fund and of the remainder the department shall
- 5 deposit:
- 6 (1) 90 percent [\$50] to the credit of the state highway
- 7 fund; and
- 8 (2) 10 percent to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 9 Motor Vehicles fund.
- 10 SECTION 57. Section 623.197, Transportation Code, is
- 11 amended to read as follows:
- 12 Sec. 623.197. DEPOSIT OF FEE IN STATE HIGHWAY FUND AND IN
- 13 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FUND. A fee collected under this
- 14 subchapter shall be deposited as follows:
- 15 (1) 90 percent to the credit of the state highway fund;
- 16 <u>and</u>
- 17 (2) 10 percent to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 18 Motor Vehicles fund.
- 19 SECTION 58. Section 623.273, Transportation Code, is
- 20 amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- (e) Money collected by the department under Subsection (d)
- 22 shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor
- 23 <u>Vehicles fund.</u>
- SECTION 59. Section 643.004(b), Transportation Code, is
- 25 amended to read as follows:
- 26 (b) The department may establish one or more escrow accounts
- 27 in the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund for

- 1 the prepayment of a fee under this chapter. Prepaid fees and any
- 2 fees established by the department for the administration of this
- 3 section shall be:
- 4 (1) administered under an agreement approved by the
- 5 department; and
- 6 (2) deposited to the credit of the <u>Texas Department of</u>
- 7 Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund to be appropriated only to the
- 8 department for the purposes of administering this chapter.
- 9 SECTION 60. Section 645.002(c), Transportation Code, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 (c) The department may establish one or more escrow accounts
- 12 in the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund for
- 13 the prepayment of a fee under this chapter. A prepaid fee or any fee
- 14 established by the department for the administration of this
- 15 section shall be:
- 16 (1) administered under an agreement approved by the
- 17 department; and
- 18 (2) deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 19 Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund to be appropriated only to the
- 20 department for the purposes of administering this chapter.
- 21 SECTION 61. Section 646.001, Transportation Code, is
- 22 amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 646.001. <u>DEFINITIONS</u> [<u>DEFINITION</u>]. In this chapter:
- 24 (1) "Department" means the Texas Department of Motor
- 25 Vehicles.
- 26 (2) "Motor [, "motor] transportation broker" means a
- 27 person who:

- 1 $\underline{\text{(A)}}$ [\frac{\tangle 1}{2}] sells, offers for sale, provides, or
- 2 negotiates for the transportation of cargo by a motor carrier
- 3 operated by another person; or
- 4 (B) $\left[\frac{(2)}{2}\right]$ aids or abets a person in performing an
- 5 act described by Paragraph (A) [Subdivision (1)].
- 6 SECTION 62. Sections 646.003(a) and (c), Transportation
- 7 Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 8 (a) A person may not act as a motor transportation broker
- 9 unless the person provides a bond to the department [Texas
- 10 Department of Motor Vehicles].
- 11 (c) The department may charge the broker a bond review fee
- 12 in an amount not to exceed the cost of reviewing the bond. The
- 13 department shall deposit a fee collected under this subsection to
- 14 the credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.
- 15 SECTION 63. Section 681.005, Transportation Code, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 Sec. 681.005. DUTIES OF COUNTY ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR. Each
- 18 county assessor-collector shall send to the department each fee
- 19 collected under Section 681.003, to be deposited in the Texas
- 20 Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway] fund to defray the
- 21 cost of providing the disabled parking placard.
- SECTION 64. Section 683.052(d), Transportation Code, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- (d) The application must be accompanied by a fee of \$2,
- 25 unless the application is made by a unit of government. Fees
- 26 collected under this subsection shall be deposited to the credit of
- 27 the <u>Texas Department of Motor Vehicles</u> [state highway] fund.

- 1 SECTION 65. Section 1001.007(b), Transportation Code, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 (b) Money collected by the department under this section
- 4 shall be deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor
- 5 Vehicles [state highway] fund for use by the department in
- 6 supporting the department's operations and the administration of
- 7 the department's functions.
- 8 SECTION 66. Section 1001.009(d), Transportation Code, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 (d) Revenue generated from the collection of discount or
- 11 service charges under Subsection (c) shall be deposited to the
- 12 credit of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles [state highway]
- 13 fund for use by the department in supporting the department's
- 14 operations and the administration of the department's functions.
- 15 SECTION 67. Chapter 1001, Transportation Code, is amended
- 16 by adding Subchapter E to read as follows:
- 17 SUBCHAPTER E. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FUND
- 18 Sec. 1001.151. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FUND.
- 19 (a) The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund is a special fund
- 20 in the treasury outside the general revenue fund and the state
- 21 highway fund.
- 22 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), and unless
- 23 otherwise dedicated by the Texas Constitution, the fund consists
- 24 of:
- 25 (1) money appropriated by the legislature to the
- 26 department;
- 27 (2) money allocated to pay fund accounting costs and

- 1 related liabilities of the fund;
- 2 (3) gifts, grants, and donations received by the
- 3 <u>department;</u>
- 4 (4) money required by law to be deposited to the fund;
- 5 (5) interest earned on money in the fund; and
- 6 (6) other revenue received by the department.
- 7 (c) Money appropriated to the department for Automobile
- 8 Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority purposes and other revenue
- 9 collected or received by the Automobile Burglary and Theft
- 10 Prevention Authority may not be deposited into the fund.
- 11 Sec. 1001.152. USE OF MONEY IN FUND. Money that is required
- 12 to be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Texas
- 13 Department of Motor Vehicles fund may be used by the department
- 14 only:
- 15 (1) to support the department's operations and the
- 16 administration and enforcement of the department's functions; or
- 17 (2) to pay the accounting costs and related
- 18 liabilities for the fund, including fringe benefits, workers'
- 19 compensation, and unemployment compensation.
- Sec. 1001.153. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAW. Subchapter D,
- 21 Chapter 316, Government Code, and Section 403.095, Government Code,
- 22 do not apply to the fund created under Section 1001.151.
- 23 SECTION 68. Sections 520.008, 520.009, 520.0091, and
- 24 520.0092, Transportation Code, are repealed.
- 25 SECTION 69. (a) On September 1, 2013, existing revenue from
- 26 fees collected or received by the Texas Department of Motor
- 27 Vehicles and any other revenue dedicated to the Texas Department of

- 1 Motor Vehicles shall be transferred to and deposited in the fund
- 2 established under Section 1001.151, Transportation Code, as added
- 3 by this Act.
- 4 (b) Money deposited to the credit of the Texas Department of
- 5 Motor Vehicles fund that is, on September 1, 2013, being used as
- 6 collateral or a source of payment for the repayment of any loans,
- 7 bonds, credit agreements, public securities, or other obligations
- 8 remains subject to being used as collateral or a source of payment
- 9 for those obligations. An obligation described by this subsection
- 10 must first be paid from the state highway fund. The Texas
- 11 Department of Motor Vehicles fund is subject to the obligation only
- 12 to the extent the state highway fund is depleted at the time the
- 13 obligation matures and becomes due.
- 14 (c) A deputy appointed under Section 520.0091,
- 15 Transportation Code, on or before August 31, 2013, may continue to
- 16 perform the services authorized under Sections 520.008, 520.009,
- 17 520.0091, and 520.0092, Transportation Code, until the Texas
- 18 Department of Motor Vehicles Board adopts rules regarding the types
- 19 of deputies authorized to perform titling and registration duties
- 20 under Section 520.0071, Transportation Code, as added by this Act.
- 21 SECTION 70. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of
- 22 this section, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.
- 23 (b) Sections 502.197(a) and (b) and 520.006, Transportation
- 24 Code, as amended by this Act, take effect on the date the board of
- 25 the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles adopts the registration
- 26 processing and handling fee under Section 502.1911, Transportation
- 27 Code, as added by this Act.