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H.B. No. 2669

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a release of certain adult stem cell donor information by the Department of Public Safety.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Subchapter Q, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER Q. ANATOMICAL GIFTS AND DONATIONS

SECTION 2. Subchapter Q, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 521.403 to read as follows:

Sec. 521.403. RELEASE OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FOR ADULT STEM CELL DONORS. (a) The department shall provide to each applicant for issuance of an original, renewal, corrected, or duplicate driver's license or personal identification certificate an opportunity for the applicant to consent to the department's release of the applicant's name, most recent address, and telephone number to an adult stem cell bank described by Section 1003.001, Health and Safety Code, and to an entity that provides an adult stem cell donor registry in this state.

(b) The written consent for release of information under this section must specify that:

(1) the applicant's name, most recent address, and telephone number are covered by the release;

(2) the purpose for the release is to facilitate adult stem cell donation;

1 (3) an adult stem cell bank and an adult stem cell
2 donor registry may receive the information covered by the release;
3 and

4 (4) an applicant may withdraw consent to the release
5 by submitting a written notice of withdrawal to the department.

6 (c) An applicant may withdraw consent to the release of
7 information under this section by submitting to the department a
8 written notice of withdrawal. Withdrawal of consent does not affect
9 information disclosed by the department before the date the written
10 withdrawal notice was received by the department.

11 (d) The department by rule shall provide the information
12 covered by the release to an entity that requests the information if
13 the department is satisfied that the requesting entity is an adult
14 stem cell bank described by Section 1003.001, Health and Safety
15 Code, or an entity that provides an adult stem cell donor registry.
16 The department may require that the requesting entity provide
17 evidence that the entity is entitled to receive information under
18 this section and that the entity will use the information received
19 from the department only for adult stem cell donation purposes.

20 SECTION 3. (a) The Department of Public Safety shall adopt
21 the rules necessary to implement Section 521.403, Transportation
22 Code, as added by this Act, not later than January 1, 2014.

23 (b) Section 521.403, Transportation Code, as added by this
24 Act, applies only to an application for an original, renewal,
25 corrected, or duplicate driver's license or personal
26 identification certificate submitted on or after January 1, 2014.

27 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.