

1-1 By: Davis, Rodriguez S.B. No. 557
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 13, 2013; February 20, 2013,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs and
1-4 Military Installations; March 28, 2013, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; March 28, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Van de Putte	X		
1-9	Birdwell	X		
1-10	Campbell	X		
1-11	Davis	X		
1-12	Rodriguez	X		

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to a voluntary contribution to the fund for veterans'
1-16 assistance when applying for a driver's license or personal
1-17 identification certificate.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 434.017, Government
1-20 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-21 (a) The fund for veterans' assistance is a special fund in
1-22 the state treasury outside the general revenue fund. The fund is
1-23 composed of:

1-24 (1) money transferred to the fund at the direction of
1-25 the legislature;

1-26 (2) gifts and grants contributed to the fund;

1-27 (3) the earnings of the fund;

1-28 (4) money transferred to the fund from proceeds of the
1-29 lottery game operated under Section 466.027 or transferred to the
1-30 fund under Section 466.408(b); ~~and~~

1-31 (5) money deposited to the credit of the fund under
1-32 Section 502.1746, Transportation Code; and

1-33 (6) money deposited to the credit of the fund under
1-34 Section 521.008, Transportation Code.

1-35 SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,
1-36 is amended by adding Section 521.008 to read as follows:

1-37 Sec. 521.008. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO FUND FOR VETERANS'
1-38 ASSISTANCE. (a) When a person applies for an original or renewal
1-39 driver's license or personal identification certificate under this
1-40 chapter, the person may make a voluntary contribution in any amount
1-41 to the fund for veterans' assistance established by Section
1-42 434.017, Government Code.

1-43 (b) The department shall:

1-44 (1) include space on the first page of each
1-45 application for an original or renewal driver's license or personal
1-46 identification certificate that allows a person applying for an
1-47 original or renewal driver's license or personal identification
1-48 certificate to indicate the amount that the person is voluntarily
1-49 contributing to the fund; and

1-50 (2) provide an opportunity for the person to
1-51 contribute to the fund during the application process for an
1-52 original or renewal driver's license or personal identification
1-53 certificate on the department's Internet website.

1-54 (c) The department shall send any contribution made under
1-55 this section to the comptroller for deposit in the state treasury to
1-56 the credit of the fund for veterans' assistance not later than the
1-57 14th day of each month. Before sending the money to the fund, the
1-58 department may deduct money equal to the amount of reasonable
1-59 expenses for administering this section.

1-60 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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