

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

State law provides for the issuance of Gold Star specialty license plates for certain family members of a person who died while serving in the United States armed forces. However, many family members who would like to honor the sacrifice of their loved one by displaying these license plates cannot afford the associated fee. H.B. 1702 seeks to remove this barrier.

H.B. 1702 repeals Section 504.512(b), Transportation Code, which sets the fee for the issuance of the Gold Star Mother, Gold Star Father, Gold Star Spouse, or Gold Star Family specialty license plate at \$10.

H.B. 1702 amends current law relating to the elimination of the fee for the Gold Star mother, father, spouse, or family member specialty license plate.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Repealer: Section 504.512(b) (providing that the fee for issuance of a specialty license plate for the mother, father, or surviving spouse or an immediate family member of a person who died while serving in the United States armed forces is \$10), Transportation Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: January 1, 2016.