

By: Miller of Fort Bend

H.B. No. 894

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to waiver programs for veterans provided by toll project entities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 372.053, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 372.053. VETERAN WAIVER [~~DISCOUNT~~] PROGRAM. (a) A toll project entity shall [~~may~~] establish a waiver [~~discount~~] program for electronic toll collection customers that includes [~~The program must include~~] free [~~or discounted~~] use of the entity's toll project by an electronic toll collection customer whose account relates to a vehicle registered under Section 504.202 or Subchapter D, Chapter 504 [~~504.315(f) or (g)~~].

(b) The legislature may appropriate funds from the general revenue fund to a toll project entity to defray the cost of providing free [~~or discounted~~] use of the entity's toll project under this section.

(c) Notwithstanding Sections 228.057(e), 366.179(d), 370.178(d), and 372.051(a), a toll project entity with an electronic toll collection customer who participates in the entity's waiver program shall provide to all other toll project entities the information necessary for the customer to participate in the entities' waiver programs.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.