By: White H.B. No. 416

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2	relating to	a program t	to facilitate,	through t	he issuance	and use	of

- 3 electronic toll collection transponders, free or discounted toll
- 4 project use available to certain military personnel.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 372.053, Transportation
- 7 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 372.053. MILITARY [VETERAN] DISCOUNT PROGRAMS
- 9 [PROGRAM].

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- SECTION 2. Section 372.053, Transportation Code, is amended
- 11 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 12 <u>(c) The department, in cooperation with the United States</u>
- 13 armed forces, shall create a program to facilitate, through the
- 14 issuance and use of electronic toll collection transponders, any
- 15 free or discounted toll project use available to active duty
- 16 members of:
- 17 (1) the National Guard of this state or another state;
- 18 <u>or</u>
- 19 (2) a reserve component of the United States armed
- 20 forces.
- 21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.