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H.B. No. 582

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 582:

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C.S.H.B. No. 582

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to driver's licenses and personal identification certificates issued to legal permanent residents of the United States and refugees or asylees lawfully admitted into the United States.

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

SECTION 1. Section 521.101, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (k-1) to read as follows:

(k-1) The department shall include on a personal identification certificate issued to a person who is a legal permanent resident of the United States or refugee or asylee lawfully admitted into the United States an indication that the certificate is not valid proof of identity for voting purposes.

SECTION 2. Section 521.121, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f) The department shall include on a driver's license issued to a person who is a legal permanent resident of the United States or refugee or asylee lawfully admitted into the United States an indication that the license is not valid proof of identity for voting purposes.

SECTION 3. Section 521.142, Transportation Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:

(b) The application must include:

1 (1) except as provided by Subsection (j), the
2 thumbprints of the applicant or, if thumbprints cannot be taken,
3 the index fingerprints of the applicant;

4 (2) a photograph of the applicant;

5 (3) the signature of the applicant; and

6 (4) a brief description of the applicant.

7 (j) An application of a person who is a legal permanent
8 resident of the United States or refugee or asylee lawfully
9 admitted into the United States must include a complete set of the
10 applicant's fingerprints.

11 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act to Sections
12 521.101 and 521.121, Transportation Code, apply only to a driver's
13 license or personal identification certificate issued or renewed on
14 or after the effective date of this Act. A driver's license or
15 personal identification certificate issued or renewed before the
16 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the
17 license or certificate was issued or renewed, and the former law is
18 continued in effect for that purpose.

19 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.