

1-1 By: West S.B. No. 1251
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 3, 2017; March 13, 2017, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;
 1-4 March 30, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8,
 1-5 Nays 1; March 30, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7	X			
1-8	Nichols			
1-9	Hall	X		
1-10	Creighton	X		
1-11	Garcia	X		
1-12	Hancock	X		
1-13	Hinojosa	X		
1-14	Kolkhorst	X		
1-15	Perry	X		
1-16	Rodríguez	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to making a voluntary contribution to the Ending
 1-20 Homelessness fund when registering a motor vehicle or renewing a
 1-21 motor vehicle registration.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 502, Transportation Code,
 1-24 is amended by adding Section 502.414 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 502.414. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO ENDING
 1-26 HOMELESSNESS FUND. (a) When a person registers or renews the
 1-27 registration of a motor vehicle under this chapter, the person may
 1-28 contribute any amount to the Ending Homelessness fund under
 1-29 Subsection (f).

1-30 (b) The department shall provide, in a conspicuous manner,
 1-31 an opportunity to contribute to the Ending Homelessness fund in any
 1-32 registration renewal system used by the department.

1-33 (c) If a person makes a contribution under this section and
 1-34 does not pay the full amount of a registration fee, the county
 1-35 assessor-collector may credit all or a portion of the contribution
 1-36 to the person's registration fee.

1-37 (d) The county assessor-collector shall send any
 1-38 contribution made under this section to the comptroller for deposit
 1-39 to the Ending Homelessness fund before the 31st day after the date
 1-40 the contribution is made.

1-41 (e) The department shall consult with the Texas Department
 1-42 of Housing and Community Affairs in performing the department's
 1-43 duties under this section.

1-44 (f) The Ending Homelessness fund is created as a trust fund
 1-45 outside the state treasury to be held by the comptroller and
 1-46 administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community
 1-47 Affairs as trustee. The fund is composed of money deposited to the
 1-48 credit of the fund under this section. Money in the fund shall be
 1-49 used to provide grants to counties and municipalities to combat
 1-50 homelessness.

1-51 (g) The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
 1-52 shall adopt rules governing application for grants from the Ending
 1-53 Homelessness fund and the issuance of those grants.

1-54 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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