**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

While Texas expresses its appreciation to veterans through the issuance of specialty license plates that recognize recipients of certain military awards, it has been observed that some deserving veterans have not received this recognition. H.B. 819 seeks to honor the recipients of the China Service Medal by providing for the issuance of a specialty license plate.

H.B. 819 amends current law relating to the issuance of China Service Medal specialty license plates.

**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. Amends Section 504.3161, Transportation Code, as follows:

Sec. 504.3161. MILITARY SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATES FOR RECIPIENTS OF CERTAIN MILITARY CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE AWARDS. Requires the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the following military awards that include the name of the award:

(1)–(7) makes no changes to these subdivisions;

(8)–(9) makes nonsubstantive changes to these subdivisions; and

(10) the China Service Medal.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.