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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a program to facilitate, through the issuance and use of electronic toll collection transponders, free or discounted toll project use available to certain military personnel.

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

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

Sec. 372.053.  MILITARY [~~VETERAN~~] DISCOUNT PROGRAMS [~~PROGRAM~~].

SECTION 2.  Section 372.053, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c)  The department, in cooperation with the United States armed forces, shall create a program to facilitate, through the issuance and use of electronic toll collection transponders, any free or discounted toll project use available to active duty members of:

(1)  the National Guard of this state or another state; or

(2)  a reserve component of the United States armed forces.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.