By:  Johnson of Harris (Senate Sponsor - West) H.B. No. 3394

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019; May 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation; May 17, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 17, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Nichols           X

Hancock           X

Alvarado          X

Hinojosa          X

Kolkhorst         X

Perry             X

Rodríguez         X

Schwertner        X

West              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of sickle cell disease awareness specialty license plates.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter G, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.671 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.671.  SICKLE CELL DISEASE AWARENESS LICENSE PLATES. (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates that include the words "Sickle Cell Matters" and an image of the burgundy sickle cell ribbon. The department shall design the plates in consultation with the Sickle Cell Association of Houston.

(b)  After deduction of the department's administrative costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates shall be deposited to the credit of an account created by the comptroller in the manner provided by Section 504.6012(b). Money deposited to that account may be used only by Texas Southern University to make grants to a nonprofit organization that has a history of providing services to persons with sickle cell disease for the purpose of providing those services.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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