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H.B. No. 1497

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the issuance of specially marked driver's licenses and
3 personal identification certificates to emergency medical services
4 personnel.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,
7 is amended by adding Section 521.1025 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 521.1025. DESIGNATOR ON PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION
9 CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL. (a)
10 In this section, "emergency medical services personnel" has the
11 meaning assigned by Section 773.003, Health and Safety Code.

12 (b) The department shall include the designation "EMERGENCY
13 MEDICAL" on a personal identification certificate issued to
14 emergency medical services personnel in an available space either
15 on the face of the personal identification certificate or on the
16 reverse side of the personal identification certificate if the
17 emergency medical services personnel:

18 (1) requests the designation; and

19 (2) provides proof sufficient to the department that
20 the person is certified as emergency medical services personnel
21 under Chapter 773, Health and Safety Code.

22 (c) A person who renews a personal identification
23 certificate described by this section shall provide proof
24 sufficient to the department that the person is certified as

1 emergency medical services personnel under Chapter 773, Health and
2 Safety Code.

3 (d) A person who holds a personal identification
4 certificate described by this section shall surrender the
5 certificate to the department in a manner provided by department
6 rule if the person's certification as emergency medical services
7 personnel expires or is revoked or suspended as provided by Chapter
8 773, Health and Safety Code.

9 SECTION 2. Subchapter F, Chapter 521, Transportation Code,
10 is amended by adding Section 521.1236 to read as follows:

11 Sec. 521.1236. DESIGNATOR ON LICENSE ISSUED TO EMERGENCY
12 MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL. (a) In this section, "emergency
13 medical services personnel" has the meaning assigned by Section
14 773.003, Health and Safety Code.

15 (b) The department shall include the designation "EMERGENCY
16 MEDICAL" on a driver's license issued to emergency medical services
17 personnel in an available space either on the face of the driver's
18 license or on the reverse side of the driver's license if the
19 emergency medical services personnel:

20 (1) requests the designation; and

21 (2) provides proof sufficient to the department that
22 the person is certified as emergency medical services personnel
23 under Chapter 773, Health and Safety Code.

24 (c) A person who renews a driver's license described by this
25 section shall provide proof sufficient to the department that the
26 person is certified as emergency medical services personnel under
27 Chapter 773, Health and Safety Code.

1 (d) A person who holds a driver's license described by this
2 section shall surrender the license to the department in a manner
3 provided by department rule if the person's certification as
4 emergency medical services personnel expires or is revoked or
5 suspended as provided by Chapter 773, Health and Safety Code.

6 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date
7 of this Act, the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas
8 shall adopt the rules required by Sections 521.1025 and 521.1236,
9 Transportation Code, as added by this Act.

10 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.