

By: Davis of Dallas

H.B. No. 1732

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1732:

By: Landgraf

C.S.H.B. No. 1732

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the facilitation of a funeral procession by a vehicle  
escort service.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 546, Transportation Code, is amended by  
adding Subchapter D to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER D. FUNERAL ESCORT SERVICE VEHICLES

Sec. 546.101. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "funeral  
escort service" means a business that facilitates the movement of  
traffic for a funeral procession.

Sec. 546.102. FUNERAL ESCORT SERVICES. A local authority  
shall allow a funeral escort service to facilitate the movement of  
traffic for a funeral procession.

Sec. 546.103. OPERATOR TRAINING. A person may operate a  
vehicle to facilitate the movement of a funeral procession for a  
funeral escort service only if the person has successfully  
completed a training program in traffic direction as defined by the  
basic peace officer course curriculum established by the Texas  
Commission on Law Enforcement.

Sec. 546.104. OPERATION OF FUNERAL ESCORT SERVICE VEHICLES.  
An operator of a vehicle facilitating the movement of a funeral  
procession for a funeral escort service may proceed past a red or  
stop signal or stop sign, after slowing as necessary for safe  
operation.

1       Sec. 546.105. DUTY OF CARE. This subchapter does not  
2 relieve the operator of a funeral escort service vehicle from:

3               (1) the duty to operate the vehicle with appropriate  
4 regard for the safety of all persons; or

5               (2) the consequences of reckless disregard for the  
6 safety of others.

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