

By: Ramos

H.B. No. 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an exemption for teachers and retired teachers from the payment of a fee for registration of a motor vehicle.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter J, Chapter 502, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 502.458 to read as follows:

Sec. 502.458. TEACHER AND RETIRED TEACHER EXEMPTION. (a)

In this section, "teacher" means a principal, supervisor, classroom teacher, school counselor, or other full-time professional employee who is required to hold a certificate issued under Subchapter B, Chapter 21, Education Code.

(b) A vehicle may be registered without payment if the vehicle is owned or leased by a person who is a teacher or a retired teacher.

(c) An application for registration under Subsection (b) must be accompanied by proof of the applicant's entitlement to the exemption. The department shall adopt rules relating to the proof of entitlement to the exemption, which may include, for retired teachers, statements or other communications issued by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas that evidence payment of an annuity from the system.

SECTION 2. Section 502.458, Transportation Code, as added by this Act, applies only to an application submitted on or after the effective date of this Act.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.