

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 86TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2019

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director
Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **SB225** by Flores (Relating to the issuance of Army of Occupation Medal specialty license plates; providing an exemption from a fee.), **As Introduced**

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
--

The bill would amend Chapter 504 of the Transportation Code to require the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Army of Occupation Medal and Disabled Veteran license plates that include the Army of Occupation Medal emblem. There would be no fee for issuance of the new specialty license plates. The bill would specify that a person applying for the new specialty plate could be issued one set of plates without payment of the vehicle registration fee. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2019.

Based on the information and analysis provided by DMV, it is assumed the requirement to issue one set of the new specialty license plate without payment of the regular vehicle registration fees would result in an insignificant revenue loss to the State Highway Fund and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Fund. It is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within DMV's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

DMV reports that the requirement to issue one set of the new specialty license plate without payment of the regular vehicle registration fees would result in a revenue loss to counties associated with the counties' share of registration processing and handling fees and other optional fees paid at the time of registration that vary by county. Based on the analysis provided by DMV, it is assumed the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant fiscal impact to units of local government.

Source Agencies: 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

LBB Staff: WP, JGAn, SGr, TG