By:  Schwertner S.B. No. 697

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of specialty license plates to honor members of the United States Army Special Forces.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 504.202(e-1), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e-1)  Other than license plates issued under Subsection (h), license plates issued under this section may include, on request:

(1)  the emblem of the veteran's branch of service; or

(2)  one emblem from another license plate to which the person is entitled under Section 504.308, 504.309, 504.310(b), 504.311, 504.312, 504.313, 504.3135, 504.314, 504.315, 504.316, 504.3161, 504.318, 504.319, 504.320, 504.323, [~~as added by Chapter 1085 (H.B. 3567), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, or~~] 504.325, or 504.327.

SECTION 2.  Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.327 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.327.  UNITED STATES ARMY SPECIAL FORCES. The department shall issue specialty license plates for persons who serve or have served in the United States armed services and have earned Special Forces qualifications. The license plates must include:

(1)  the words "Army Special Forces"; and

(2)  a depiction of the United States Army Special Forces shoulder sleeve insignia with the Special Forces Tab.

SECTION 3.  To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails over another Act of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

SECTION 4.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.