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H.B. No. 1182

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to proof of eligibility for medical priority boarding of
3 ferries operated by the Texas Department of Transportation;
4 creating a criminal offense.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 342, Transportation Code,
7 is amended by adding Section 342.005 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 342.005. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY FOR MEDICAL PRIORITY
9 BOARDING; OFFENSE. (a) The operator of a vehicle commits an
10 offense if the operator boards or attempts to board a ferry operated
11 by the department during medical priority boarding and the
12 operator:

13 (1) does not possess proof that the operator or
14 another person in the vehicle is eligible for the priority
15 boarding; or

16 (2) possesses proof of eligibility for the priority
17 boarding that is counterfeit or altered.

18 (b) An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.