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H.B. No. 2496

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for certain
3 volunteer firefighters, fire protection personnel, and industrial
4 firefighters.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 504.513, Transportation Code, is amended
7 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
8 follows:

9 (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates
10 for:

11 (1) current or retired volunteer firefighters
12 certified by:

13 (A) the Texas Commission on Fire Protection; or

14 (B) the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals'
15 Association of Texas; ~~and~~

16 (2) current or retired fire protection personnel as
17 that term is defined by Section 419.021, Government Code; and

18 (3) current or retired industrial firefighters
19 certified by the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of
20 Texas.

21 (c) After deduction of the department's administrative
22 costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates
23 shall be deposited to the credit of an account created by the
24 comptroller in the manner provided by Section 504.6012(b). Money

1 deposited to that account may be used only by the Texas Commission
2 on Fire Protection to make grants to an organization of
3 professional firefighters located in this state that provides
4 emergency relief and scholarship funds to professional
5 firefighters and their dependents.

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