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H.B. No. 3859

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for recipients
3 of certain Texas military awards.

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

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

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

- 10 (1) the emblem of the veteran's branch of service; or
11 (2) one emblem from another license plate to which the
12 person is entitled under Section 504.308, 504.309, 504.310(b),
13 504.311, 504.312, 504.313, 504.3135, 504.314, 504.315, 504.316,
14 504.3161, 504.318, 504.319, 504.320, 504.323, [~~as added by Chapter~~
15 ~~1085 (H.B. 3567), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session,~~
16 ~~2017, or~~] 504.325, 504.327, 504.328, 504.329, or 504.330.

17 SECTION 2. Section 504.315, Transportation Code, is amended
18 by adding Subsections (r), (s), (t), (u), (v), and (w) to read as
19 follows:

20 (r) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
21 recipients of the Texas Legislative Medal of Honor. License plates
22 issued under this subsection must include the Texas Legislative
23 Medal of Honor emblem and must include the words "Texas Legislative
24 Medal of Honor" at the bottom of each plate.

1 (s) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
2 recipients of the Lone Star Medal of Valor. License plates issued
3 under this subsection must include the Lone Star Medal of Valor
4 emblem and must include the words "Lone Star Medal of Valor" at the
5 bottom of each plate.

6 (t) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
7 recipients of the Texas Purple Heart Medal. License plates issued
8 under this subsection must include the Texas Purple Heart Medal
9 emblem and must include the words "Texas Purple Heart Medal" at the
10 bottom of each plate.

11 (u) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
12 recipients of the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal. License
13 plates issued under this subsection must include the Lone Star
14 Distinguished Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Lone
15 Star Distinguished Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

16 (v) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
17 recipients of the Texas Outstanding Service Medal. License plates
18 issued under this subsection must include the Texas Outstanding
19 Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Texas Outstanding
20 Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

21 (w) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
22 recipients of the Texas Medal of Merit. License plates issued under
23 this subsection must include the Texas Medal of Merit emblem and
24 must include the words "Texas Medal of Merit" at the bottom of each
25 plate.

26 SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code,
27 is amended by adding Sections 504.327, 504.328, 504.329, and

1 504.330 to read as follows:

2 Sec. 504.327. FEDERAL SERVICE MEDAL. The department shall
3 issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Federal
4 Service Medal. The license plates must include:

- 5 (1) the words "Federal Service Medal"; and
6 (2) a depiction of the Federal Service Medal emblem.

7 Sec. 504.328. TEXAS HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL. The
8 department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of
9 the Texas Humanitarian Service Medal. The license plates must
10 include:

- 11 (1) the words "Texas Humanitarian Service Medal"; and
12 (2) a depiction of the Texas Humanitarian Service
13 Medal emblem.

14 Sec. 504.329. TEXAS HOMELAND DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. The
15 department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of
16 the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal. The license plates must
17 include:

- 18 (1) the words "Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal";
19 and
20 (2) a depiction of the Texas Homeland Defense Service
21 Medal emblem.

22 Sec. 504.330. TEXAS SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL. The department
23 shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas
24 Superior Service Medal who are members or former members of the
25 Texas military forces, as defined by Section 437.001, Government
26 Code. The license plates must include:

- 27 (1) the words "Texas Superior Service Medal"; and

1 (2) a depiction of the Texas Superior Service Medal
2 emblem.

3 SECTION 4. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
4 over another Act of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021,
5 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
6 codes.

7 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.