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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to issuance of specialty license plates to honor Texas Sheriffs' Deputies.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter G, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 504.### to read as follows:

Sec. 504.###.  SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS LICENSE PLATE. (a) The department shall issue specialty license plates to honor Sheriffs' office personnel. The license plates must include:

(1)  the words "Support Your Sheriffs' Office";

(2)  a depiction of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas logo.

(b)  After deduction of the department's administrative costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates shall be deposited to the credit of an account created by the Sheriffs' Association of Texas. Money deposited to that account may be used only for the training, retention, and increasing the professionalism of Sheriffs' Deputies, county jail employees, emergency service center employees, or other positions and offices which a Sheriff is the administrator over.

(c)  Section 504.702 does not apply to a specialty license plate issued under this section.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.