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S.B. No. 1264

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of disabled parking placards to certain day activity and health services facilities that transport persons with a disability.

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

SECTION 1. Section 681.0032, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 681.0032. ISSUANCE OF DISABLED PARKING PLACARDS TO CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS. (a) The department shall provide for the issuance of disabled parking placards described by Section 681.002 for a van or bus operated by:

(1) an institution, facility, or residential retirement community for the elderly in which a person eligible for a license plate under [described by] Section 504.201 [504.201(a)] resides, including an institution licensed under Chapter 242, Health and Safety Code, and a facility licensed under Chapter 246 or 247 of that code; or

(2) a day activity and health services facility licensed under Chapter 103, Human Resources Code, that provides services to a person eligible for a license plate under Section 504.201.

(b) The application for a disabled parking placard must be made in the manner provided by Section 681.003(b) and be accompanied by a written statement signed by the administrator or

manager of, as applicable:

(1) the institution, facility, or retirement community described by Subsection (a)(1) certifying to the department that the institution, facility, or retirement community regularly transports, as a part of the services that the institution, facility, or retirement community provides, one or more persons eligible for a license plate under ~~[described by]~~ Section 504.201 ~~[504.201(a)]~~ who reside in the institution, facility, or retirement community; or

(2) the facility described by Subsection (a)(2) certifying to the department that the facility regularly transports, as a part of the services that the facility provides, one or more persons eligible for a license plate under Section 504.201.

(c) The department shall determine the eligibility of an ~~[the]~~ institution, facility, or retirement community for a disabled parking placard based on the evidence the applicant provides.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.