

SENATE AMENDMENTS

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H.B. No. 282

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, 504.325, [~~or~~]
15 504.327, 504.331, or 504.332.

16 SECTION 2. Section 504.3015(a), Transportation Code, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 (a) A person applying for a set of license plates under this
19 subchapter shall pay the registration fee required under Chapter
20 502 and the applicable special plate fee required under this
21 section, except that one set of license plates shall be issued
22 without the payment of the registration fee under:

- 23 (1) Section 504.308;
24 (2) Section 504.310(b);

1 (3) Section 504.315, other than Subsections (c) and
2 (q) of that section; ~~and~~

3 (4) Section 504.319; and

4 (5) Section 504.331.

5 SECTION 3. Section 504.315, Transportation Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsections (s), (t), and (u) to read as follows:

7 (s) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
8 recipients of the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal. License
9 plates issued under this subsection must include the Lone Star
10 Distinguished Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Lone
11 Star Distinguished Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

12 (t) The department shall issue specialty license plates for
13 recipients of the Texas Outstanding Service Medal. License plates
14 issued under this subsection must include the Texas Outstanding
15 Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Texas Outstanding
16 Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

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

22 SECTION 4. Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code,
23 is amended by adding Sections 504.331 and 504.332 to read as
24 follows:

25 Sec. 504.331. TEXAS HOMELAND DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. The
26 department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of
27 the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal. The license plates must

1 include the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal emblem and must
2 include the words "Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal" at the
3 bottom of each plate.

4 Sec. 504.332. TEXAS SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL. The department
5 shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas
6 Superior Service Medal. The license plates must include the Texas
7 Superior Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Texas
8 Superior Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

9 SECTION 5. It is the intent of the 88th Legislature, Regular
10 Session, 2023, that the amendments made by this Act be harmonized
11 with another Act of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023,
12 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
13 codes.

14 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

ADOPTED

MAY 17 2023

Lately Law
Secretary of the Senate

By: Swanson/Hancock

H.B. No. 282

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 282:

By: [Signature]

C.S. H.B. No. 282

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for Gold Star family members and recipients of certain Texas military awards.

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

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

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

- (1) the emblem of the veteran's branch of service; or
- (2) one emblem from another license plate to which the person is entitled under Section 504.308, 504.309, 504.310(b), 504.311, 504.312, 504.313, 504.3135, 504.314, 504.315, 504.316, 504.3161, 504.318, 504.319, 504.320, 504.323, 504.325, ~~[ex]~~ 504.327, 504.331, 504.332, 504.333, 504.334, or 504.335.

SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Sections 504.331, 504.332, 504.333, 504.334, and 504.335 to read as follows:

Sec. 504.331. TEXAS HOMELAND DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. The department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal. The license plates must

include the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

Sec. 504.332. TEXAS SUPERIOR SERVICE MEDAL. The department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas Superior Service Medal. The license plates must include the Texas Superior Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Texas Superior Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

Sec. 504.333. LONE STAR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL. The department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal. The license plates must include the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

Sec. 504.334. TEXAS OUTSTANDING SERVICE MEDAL. The department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas Outstanding Service Medal. The license plates must include the Texas Outstanding Service Medal emblem and must include the words "Texas Outstanding Service Medal" at the bottom of each plate.

Sec. 504.335. TEXAS MEDAL OF MERIT. The department shall issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas Medal of Merit. The license plates must include the Texas Medal of Merit

emblem and must include the words "Texas Medal of Merit" at the bottom of each plate.

SECTION 3. Section 504.512(a-1), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a-1) In this section "immediate family member" means the parent, child, ~~[or]~~ sibling, adoptive parent, adoptive child, foster parent, foster child, stepparent, or stepchild of a person who died while serving in the United States armed forces.

SECTION 4. It is the intent of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, that the amendments made by this Act be harmonized with another Act of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 88TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 17, 2023

TO: Honorable Dade Phelan, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB282 by Swanson (Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for Gold Star family members and recipients of certain Texas military awards.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Transportation Code, Chapter 504, to require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal, Texas Superior Service Medal, Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal, Texas Outstanding Service Medal, and Texas Medal of Merit. The bill would require Disabled Veteran (DV) versions of these five plates to be offered under Transportation Code, Section 504.202(e-1). The bill would amend Transportation Code, Section 504.512(a-1), relating to persons qualifying as an "immediate family member" for the purposes of eligibility to receive the Gold Star specialty license plate.

Based on the information provided by TxDMV, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the department's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

LBB Staff: JMc, SD, AAL, TG, AF

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 88TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 11, 2023

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB282 by Swanson (relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for Gold Star family members and recipients of certain Texas military awards.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Transportation Code, Chapter 504, to require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal, Texas Superior Service Medal, Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal, Texas Outstanding Service Medal, and Texas Medal of Merit. The bill would require Disabled Veteran (DV) versions of these five plates to be offered under Transportation Code, Section 504.202(e-1). The bill would amend Transportation Code, Section 504.512(a-1), relating to persons qualifying as an "immediate family member" for the purposes of eligibility to receive the Gold Star specialty license plate.

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Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 88TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 4, 2023

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB282 by Swanson (Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for recipients of certain Texas military awards.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal, Texas Outstanding Service Medal, Texas Medal of Merit, Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal, and Texas Superior Service Medal. The bill would allow a Disabled Veteran license plate to include an emblem from another specialty plate created by the bill to which a person is entitled. The bill would allow a person applying for the specialty plates created by the bill to register a vehicle with certain specialty plates created by the bill without payment of the regular registration fee.

A person eligible for certain license plates that would be established under the provisions of the bill could apply for one set of the specialty plates without payment of the regular vehicle registration fees. Based on the information provided by TxDMV, it is assumed the number of individuals who would qualify and apply for these new specialty license plates would not be significant; therefore, it is assumed implementation of the bill would not result in a significant impact to state or local revenue from vehicle registration fees.

Based on the information provided by TxDMV, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the department's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

LBB Staff: JMc, AAL, AF, TG

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 88TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 5, 2023

TO: Honorable Terry M. Wilson, Chair, House Committee on Defense & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB282 by Swanson (relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for recipients of certain Texas military awards.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal, Texas Outstanding Service Medal, Texas Medal of Merit, Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal, and Texas Superior Service Medal. The bill would allow a Disabled Veteran license plate to include an emblem from another specialty plate created by the bill to which a person is entitled. The bill would allow a person applying for the specialty plates created by the bill to register a vehicle with certain specialty plates created by the bill without payment of the regular registration fee.

A person eligible for certain license plates that would be established under the provisions of the bill could apply for one set of the specialty plates without payment of the regular vehicle registration fees. Based on the information provided by TxDMV, it is assumed the number of individuals who would qualify and apply for these new specialty license plates would not be significant; therefore, it is assumed implementation of the bill would not result in a significant impact to state or local revenue from vehicle registration fees.

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Local Government Impact

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Source Agencies: 608 Department of Motor Vehicles

LBB Staff: JMc, AF, TG

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 88TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 22, 2023

TO: Honorable Terry M. Wilson, Chair, House Committee on Defense & Veterans' Affairs

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB282 by Swanson (Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for recipients of certain Texas military awards.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) to issue specialty license plates for recipients of the Lone Star Distinguished Service Medal, Texas Outstanding Service Medal, Texas Medal of Merit, and Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal. The bill would allow a Disabled Veteran license plate to include an emblem from another specialty plate created by the bill to which a person is entitled. The bill would allow a person applying for the specialty plates created by the bill to register a vehicle with the specialty plates without payment of the regular registration fee.

A person eligible for any of the license plates that would be established under the provisions of the bill could apply for one set of the specialty plates without payment of the regular vehicle registration fees. Based on the information provided by TxDMV, it is assumed the number of individuals who would qualify and apply for these new specialty license plates would not be significant; therefore, it is assumed implementation of the bill would not result in a significant impact to state or local revenue from vehicle registration fees.

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