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H.B. No. 3365

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3365:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a contract between a private vendor and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles for certain license plate services; authorizing a fee.

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

SECTION 1. Section 504.851(i), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(i) A contract entered into by the department with a private vendor under this section:

(1) must comply with any law generally applicable to a contract for services entered into by the department;

(2) must require the private vendor to render at least quarterly to the department periodic accounts that accurately detail all material transactions, including information reasonably required by the department to support fees that are collected by the vendor, and to regularly remit all money payable to the department under the contract;

(3) may allow or require the private vendor to establish an electronic infrastructure coordinated and compatible with the department's registration system, by which motor vehicle owners may electronically send and receive applications, other documents, or required payments, and that, when secure access is necessary, can be electronically validated by the department; ~~and~~

(4) must allow for the establishment of a range of

premium embossed specialty license plates to be sourced, marketed,
and sold by the vendor;

(5) must allow the private vendor to offer home
delivery of license plates for an additional fee to the registered
owner's address as shown in the department's vehicle registration
records; and

(6) if the private vendor offers home delivery of
license plates as described by Subdivision (5) and the applicable
county tax assessor-collector customarily charges a fee for the
handling and distribution of specialty license plates, must allow
the private vendor to:

(A) collect that fee on behalf of and remit it to
the county tax assessor-collector; or

(B) recover the cost incurred to the vendor from
that fee by charging an additional fee in an amount equal to the
county tax assessor-collector's fee.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.