

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 441
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties suggest that the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran should be eligible for surviving spouse of a disabled veteran specialty license plates even if the veteran spouse chose not to apply for disabled veteran specialty license plates prior to passing. S.B. 441 seeks to provide for such eligibility.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 441 amends the Transportation Code to make a person eligible to receive surviving spouse of a disabled veteran specialty license plates if the person is the surviving spouse of a person who had been entitled to specialty plates for veterans with disabilities, regardless of whether the deceased spouse was issued such specialty plates.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.