

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Current law establishes who is included in the definition of federal judge for the purposes of issuing specially designed U.S. Judge license plates. This definition was added to the Transportation Code in 1997 by S.B. 1630. Prior to that time, federal administrative law judges had been included in this definition and were routinely issued plates before the 1997 change. In order for federal administrative law judges to obtain a specially designed U.S. Judge license plate, they must first be included in the definition of federal judge. H.B. 510 provides that federal administrative law judges are eligible to receive U.S. Judge license plates by expanding the definition of federal judge to include federal administrative law judges.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 502.297(g)(1), Transportation Code, to provide that federal administrative law judges are eligible to receive U.S. Judge license plates by expanding the definition of federal judge to include federal administrative law judges.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.