

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 1081
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

While Texas veterans can request their license plates to include the emblem of their branch of service, there is no specialty license plate for Texans who received the Presidential Service Badge. This badge is awarded to members of the uniformed services who serve as full-time military staff to the president of the United States. H.B. 1081 would require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialty license plates to honor Presidential Service Badge recipients.

H.B. 1081 amends current law relating to the issuance of specialty license plates to honor recipients of the Presidential Service Badge.

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 504.202(e-1), Transportation Code, as follows:

(e-1) Provides that, other than license plates issued under Subsection (h), license plates issued under Section 504.202 (Veterans with Disabilities) are authorized to include, on request, one of certain emblems from another license plate to which the person is entitled under certain sections including Section 504.327. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Amends Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, by adding Section 504.327, as follows:

Sec. 504.327. PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE BADGE. Requires the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialty license plates for persons awarded the Presidential Service Badge. Requires that the license plates include:

- (1) the words "Presidential Service Badge"; and
- (2) a depiction of the Presidential Service Badge.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2021.