

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Due to cost efficiencies and manufacturing changes, Texans have lacked the option to choose embossed license plates since 2009. As a matter of consumer choice, some specialty license plate customers have expressed a preference for embossed plates as opposed to the flat format currently produced. H.B. 2220 seeks to fill this consumer need by allowing the private vendor contracting with the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles the option to offer, source, and sell a select range of embossed plates to its customers.

H.B. 2220 amends current law relating to a contract between a private vendor and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles for certain license plate services.

### **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 504.851(i), Transportation Code, to provide that a contract entered into by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles with a private vendor under Section 504.851 (Contract With Private Vendor) is required to allow the private vendor to establish a range of premium embossed specialty license plates to be sourced, marketed, and sold by the private vendor. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2021.