

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2700
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Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties call for specialty license plates to promote awareness of childhood cancer. H.B. 2700 seeks to address this issue by providing for the issuance of such a license plate.

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

H.B. 2700 amends the Transportation Code to require the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) to issue specialty license plates to raise awareness of childhood cancer and to design the license plates in consultation with an organization that seeks to raise awareness of childhood cancer in Texas. The bill requires the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates, after the deduction of TxDMV administrative costs, to be deposited to the credit of an account in a trust fund created by the comptroller of public accounts outside the general revenue fund. The bill restricts the use of money deposited to that account to use by the attorney general to provide grants to benefit organizations operating in Texas that raise awareness of, conduct research on, or provide services for persons diagnosed with childhood cancer.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.