

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

Currently, Texas law does not provide for the creation of special license plates benefitting the Girl Scouts. S.B. 322 would create a Girl Scout license plate similar to many other organizations around the state. The money raised would not directly go to the Girl Scouts, but would be given back to the Girl Scouts by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board through a scholarship program.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 322 creates special license plates benefitting the Girl Scouts.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 502F, Transportation Code, by adding Section 502.2931, as follows:

Sec. 502.2931. GIRL SCOUT LICENSE PLATES. Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to issue specially designed Girl Scout license plates for passenger cars and light trucks. Requires the license plates to include the word "Girl Scout" and be of a color, quality and design approved by the Girl Scout Councils of Texas. Requires the department to issue license plates under this section to certain persons. Requires the department to deposit \$20 of each fee collected under this section to the credit of the Girl Scout account in the state treasury. Authorizes the money to be used by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in making grants to benefit educational projects sponsored or approved by the Girl Scout Councils of Texas. Requires the remainder of each fee collected to be deposited to the credit of the state highway fund and to be used only to defray the cost of administering this section. Requires the owner to return the special license plate to the department if the owner of a vehicle registered under this section disposes of the vehicle during the registration year.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.