

BILL ANALYSIS

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S.B. 1806
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 1806 seeks to create a specialty license plate to honor Airmen recipients of the Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal (NDOSM). The Secretary of the Air Force approved NDOSM on May 27, 2014, to recognize direct support to nuclear deterrence operations. The medal is authorized for fully-qualified airmen who provided support to the nuclear enterprise for 120 consecutive or 179 non-consecutive days. The medal may be awarded retroactively and posthumously to December 27, 1991. To date, a specialty license plate for military and veterans, who have been awarded this medal, is unavailable in Texas.

S.B. 1806 would amend current law relating to the creation and issuance of NDOSM specialty license plates. According to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, this would not be a revenue-generating plate as only a small number of veterans hold this specialty medal. As is the case with non-specialty license plates, the application fee would be waived for disabled veterans who qualify for this plate. (Original Author's/Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 1806 amends current law relating to the issuance of Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal specialty license plates.

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 504.3161, Transportation Code, as follows:

Sec. 504.3161. MILITARY SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATES FOR RECIPIENTS OF CERTAIN MILITARY CAMPAIGN AND SERVICE AWARDS. Requires the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialty license plates for recipients of certain military awards that include the name of the award, including the Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.