Chapter 454

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H.B. No. 315

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the issuance of "In God We Trust" specialty license
3	plates.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 504, Transportation Code,
6	is amended by adding Section 504.665 to read as follows:
7	Sec. 504.665. IN GOD WE TRUST LICENSE PLATES. (a) The
8	department shall issue specially designed license plates that
9	include the words "In God We Trust."
10	(b) After deduction of the department's administrative
11	costs, the remainder of the fee for issuance of the license plates
12	shall be deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund and may
13	be appropriated only to the Texas Veterans Commission.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 2016.

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President of the Senate

H.B. No. 315

The speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 315 was passed by the House on April 16, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 315 on May 21, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 315 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 20, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 4-5-2015

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Date

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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Secretary of State

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 20, 2015

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB315 by Raymond (Relating to the issuance of "In God We Trust" specialty license

plates.), As Passed 2nd House

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB315, As Passed 2nd House: a positive impact of \$11,800 through the biennium ending August 31, 2017.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
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Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to require the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialty license plates that include the words "In God We Trust." The bill would specify that the fee for the new specialty license plate, after deduction of DMV administrative costs, is to be deposited to the General Revenue Fund and may only be appropriated to the Texas Veterans

Commission. The bill would take effect on January 1, 2016.

Methodology

Based on the information and analysis provided by DMV, this analysis assumes 200 of the new specialty license plates would be issued each year at a fee of \$30 each of which \$7.50 would be deposited to the General Revenue Fund for DMV administrative expenses; \$0.50 would be retained by the counties; and \$22 would be deposited to the General Revenue Fund and may be appropriated to the Texas Veterans Commission. This analysis assumes \$4,400 each year would remain after deduction of DMV and county administrative expenses.

Based on the analysis of DMV, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 608 Department of Motor Vehicles, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts,

403 Veterans Commission

LBB Staff: UP, SD, AG, NV, TG

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 12, 2015

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB315 by Raymond (Relating to the issuance of "In God We Trust" specialty license plates.), Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

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May 1, 2015

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB315 by Raymond (Relating to the issuance of "In God We Trust" specialty license

plates.), As Engrossed

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FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 9, 2015

TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB315 by Raymond (Relating to the issuance of "In God We Trust" specialty license

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