BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to a service member who distinguishes themselves in actual combat in support of operations by "heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in an aerial flight." H.B. 168 brings the Distinguished Flying Cross specialty license plate in line with other meritorious service license plates by exempting it from parking meter fees.

H.B. 168 amends current law relating to privileged parking for Distinguished Flying Cross medal recipients.

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 681.008(b), Transportation Code, to provide that a vehicle on which license plates issued under certain sections, including Section 504.308 (Distinguished Flying Cross Medal Recipients), are displayed is exempt from the payment of a parking fee collected through a parking meter charged by a governmental authority other than a branch of the federal government, when being operated by or for the transportation of the person who registered the vehicle under certain sections, including Section 504.308.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2015.

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