BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Under current Texas statute, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) must make educational information provided by the Glenda Dawson Donate Life registry publicly accessible in each office authorized to issue driver's licenses or personal identification certificates. The registry covers the donation of many types of human tissue, but does not include the donation of living bone marrow, which can benefit people with various diseases and cancers. H.B. 3359 would authorize the public display of informational materials for the purpose of increasing awareness about bone marrow donation in driver's licenses offices. (Original Author's / Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

H.B. 3359 amends current law relating to displaying certain informational materials and videos in driver's license offices.

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 Subchapter A, Chapter 521, Transportation Code, by adding Section 521.0062, as follows:

Sec. 521.0062. INFORMATION ON BONE MARROW DONATION. Authorizes the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to make available, in a publicly accessible area of a driver's license office, informational materials and videos on bone marrow donation that are developed by an appropriate entity, as determined by DPS.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.