## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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## AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The 11th Armored Calvary has served the United States in the Philippine-American War, World War II, the Vietnam War, Cold War, Operation Desert Storm, and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

H.B. 3567 authorizes the issuance of special license plates bearing the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment emblem and including the words "11th Armored Cavalry Regiment" at the bottom of each plate to honor the brave men and women who served our country.

This legislation is unopposed, and has no fiscal note as the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) noted that they can accomplish this within their existing resources.

Currently, there are over 140 specialty license plates that recognize military service available through TxDMV. H.B. 3567 adds "11th Armored Cavalry Regiment" to that roster of available license plates. (Original Author's / Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

H.B. 3567 amends current law relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for persons who served in the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

## **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. Reenacts Section 504.202(e-1), Transportation Code, as amended by Chapters 708 (H.B. 1128) and 716 (H.B. 1273), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, and amends it, to authorize license plates issued under this section (Veterans with Disabilities), other than license plates issued under Subsection (h) (relating to a certain person electing to receive license plates under Chapter 502 (Registration of Vehicles) under the same conditions for the issuance of license plates under this section), to include, on request, one emblem from another license plate to which the person is entitled under certain sections, including Section 504.323.

SECTION 2. Amends Subchapter D, Chapter 504, Transportation Code, by adding Section 504.323, as follows:

Sec. 504.323. 11TH ARMORED CAVALRY REGIMENT. Requires the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialty license plates for persons who have served in the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment of the United States Army. Requires that the license plates include the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment emblem and include the words "11th Armored Cavalry Regiment" at the bottom of each plate.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2017.