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TO: All County Tax Assessor-Collectors

SUBJECT: Use of Customer Supplied License Plates on Eligible Vehicles

PURPOSE

To provide you with information on implementation of House Bill (HB) 3068 concerning the use of customer supplied embossed license plates previously issued by the state on vehicles that are at least 25 years old.

DETAILS

HB 3068, enacted by the 86th Legislature, revised Transportation Code, Sections 504.501 and 504.502, to allow previously issued embossed license plates to be used on vehicles that are issued Classic or Antique registration. Effective September 1, 2019, a customer supplied plate must meet all the following criteria:

- Embossed with an alphanumeric pattern
- Originally issued in the same year as the model year of the vehicle
- Approved for use (e.g., plates must be in good condition with the correct color scheme, and the alphanumeric pattern may not be in use on another vehicle)

The *Application for Antique License Plate* (Form VTR-54), and *Application for Classic License Plates* (Form VTR-850), are being updated to reflect the revised criteria for approval.

Additionally, the bill revised Section 504.202, to allow a person registering a vehicle with Disabled Veteran (DV) plates to instead use old DV plates in lieu of state-issued DV plates if the vehicle is at least 25 years old. Old DV plates must be embossed with an alphanumeric pattern, issued in the same year as the vehicle's model year, and be approved for use on the vehicle. With the upcoming Registration and Title System Release 9.4, a new plate type selection for "Old Plate Disabled Veteran" will be added to accommodate the issuance of old DV plates.

COUNTY ACTION

Customer supplied year of manufacture (old plates) submitted for approval must meet the requirements listed above as of September 1, 2019. Also, a disabled veteran eligible for DV plates may request to use a set of embossed DV plates on an eligible vehicle.

CONTACT

For assistance, contact your local Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Regional Service Center.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeremiah Kuntz".

Jeremiah Kuntz, Director
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