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TO: All County Tax Assessor-Collectors

SUBJECT: Disabled Person License Plate & Disabled Parking Placard Application

PURPOSE

To provide information related to the application of Disabled Person license plates and Disabled Parking Placards as a result of House Bill (HB) 643 and HB 3163 enacted by the 86th Legislature.

DETAILS

HB 643 amended Transportation Code, Section 681.003, to allow a resident of Texas to apply for a Disabled Parking Placard in the county where they are seeking medical treatment. Previously, a Texas resident could only apply for a placard in the county in which they reside. Applicants that are not residents of Texas may apply for a Disabled Parking Placard in the county where they are seeking medical treatment. Effective September 1, 2019, any person with disabilities, regardless of residency, can apply for a Disabled Parking Placard in the county where they are seeking medical treatment.

HB 3163 added Transportation Code, Section 504.205 and amended Section 681.004, which requires the department to provide information on laws governing parking for persons with disabilities and instructions for reporting alleged violations when issuing a Disabled Parking Placard or Disabled Person or Disabled Veteran (DV) license plates.

To meet this requirement, the department has created an informational brochure, *Basic Facts for Persons with Disabilities*, that must be given to customers with each Disabled Parking Placard and each set of Disabled Person or DV license plates issued. Once the brochure is finalized, it will be printed and distributed to your office.

COUNTY ACTION

You may begin issuing a Disabled Parking Placard to applicants who submit an *Application for Persons with Disabilities Parking Placard and/or License Plate* (Form VTR-214) when the applicant is not a resident of your county, but is seeking medical treatment in your county.

Once you receive your stock of the *Basic Facts for Persons with Disabilities* brochure, it must be provided to customers when issuing a Disabled Parking Placard or Disabled Person or DV license plates.

CONTACT

If you have any questions, please 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
Vehicle Titles and Registration Division

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