

CHAPTER 1068

S.B. No. 763

AN ACT

relating to the registration of and issuance of certificates of title for certain motor vehicles used by law enforcement agencies.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 3aa, Chapter 88, General Laws, Acts of the 41st Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 1929, as amended (Article 6675a-3aa, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

*(f) On receipt of a written request approved by the executive administrator of a law enforcement agency, the Department may issue exempt license plates for a vehicle and register the vehicle under an alias for the law enforcement agency's use in covert criminal investigations.*

SECTION 2. Section 59, Certificate of Title Act, as amended (Article 6687-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 59. (a) *Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section, a person commits an offense if the person uses ~~[It shall be unlawful to use]~~ a false or fictitious name or gives ~~[give]~~ a false or fictitious address or makes a ~~[make any]~~ false statement in an ~~[any]~~ application for certificate of title.*

(b) *On receipt of a written request approved by the executive administrator of a law enforcement agency, the Department may issue a certificate of title for a vehicle in an alias for the law enforcement agency's use in covert criminal investigations.*

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on April 30, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0. Passed the House on May 22, 1987, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 20, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.