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## REGISTRATION AND TITLE BULLETIN # 093-01

**TO:** All County Tax Assessor-Collectors

**SUBJECT:** Statutes That Classify Certain Political Subdivisions According to Population (HB 2810)

### PURPOSE

To inform you of certain amended statutes that have population changes for certain political entities as provided by HB 2810 recently passed by the 77<sup>th</sup> Legislature. This bill takes effect on September 1, 2001.

### DETAILS

Section 502.173(a), Transportation Code, relates to counties eligible to opt to collect the optional child safety fee. The population criteria for eligible counties is increased from 1.18 million to 1.3 million.

Section 502.284(b), Transportation Code, relates to the registration of certain golf carts. The population criteria for counties in which residents are eligible to obtain golf cart license plates is changed from a population of more than 95,000, but less than 100,000 to more than 110,000, but less than 111,000.

Section 685.004(b), Transportation Code, concerns the jurisdiction for holding a probable cause hearing relating to a towed and stored vehicle. The population criteria that determines the court having jurisdiction over the matter is increased from 1,200,000 to 1.9 million.

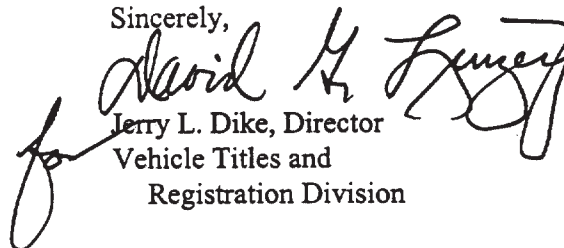
A copy of the pertinent excerpts from HB 2810 is attached for your information. Motor Vehicle Registration Manual revisions will be distributed later.

### VTR CONTACT PERSONS

If you have any questions, please contact your nearest TxDOT Vehicle Titles and Registration Division Regional Office.

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Attachments

Sincerely,



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