



July 23, 2026

Re: Imposition of Optional Fees for Calendar Year (CY) 2027

To the Honorable County Judge:

County commissioner's courts are statutorily required to notify the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) each year regarding the imposition or removal of optional fees. Notice must be made to TxDMV each year by September 2, 2026, with new fees taking effect on January 1st of the following year. This letter and attachments will provide information on how to submit the CY 2027 notification to TxDMV. The following is a brief description of the optional county fees from Chapter 502 of the Transportation Code:

County Road and Bridge Fee (Section 502.401):

- May not exceed \$10; and
- Revenue must be credited to the county road and bridge fund.

Child Safety Fee (Section 502.403):

- May not exceed \$1.50; and
- Revenue must be used for school crossing guard services; remaining funds must be used for programs to enhance child safety, health, or nutrition, including child abuse intervention and prevention, and drug and alcohol abuse prevention, among other purposes.

Transportation Project Fee (Section 502.402):

- Applies to Bexar, Brazos, Cameron, El Paso, Hidalgo and Webb counties **ONLY**;
- May not exceed \$10 (or \$20 for those meeting population requirements under subsection (b-1)); and
- Revenue must be used for long-term transportation projects.

Please complete and return the attached *Imposition of Optional Fees* form. If your county will keep the same optional fees for CY 2027, please select OPTION A. If your county changes fees, **please select OPTION B** and include a copy of a commissioner's court order.

DEADLINE: Please return the form and commissioners court order, if applicable, by Wednesday, September 2, 2026, by email to: DMV_OptionalCountyFeeUpdates@TxDMV.gov (note the underscore between DMV and Optional).

If you have any questions, please contact Taja Brower in Registration Services, (512) 465-1344. Thank you for your timely response.

Sincerely,

Annette Quintero, Director
Vehicle Titles and Registration Division
Texas Department of Motor Vehicles

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Attachments

cc: County Tax Assessor-Collectors