

## Parking Placard Refund Information

A class action settlement is underway involving those who have or have had a permanent disabled parking placard. The settlement, Meyers, et al. v. State of Texas, et al., (Case No. A-00-CA-430-SS) is a case that stems from the state's charge of \$5 for issuing blue placards to the permanently disabled. Those interested in filing a claim under the class action settlement must go to [www.texasplacardfees.com](http://www.texasplacardfees.com). The tax office is not involved in providing refunds other than to refer claimants to the web site, telephone number or mailing address.

According to the web site information, to be eligible to make a claim a person must have purchased one of the placards between Aug. 11, 1995 and July 7, 2008. To be compensated for the fee, a claim must be filed by March 5, 2010.

The amount paid to each claimant will depend upon the number of valid claim forms submitted. Under the settlement, Texas must provide \$20,200,816 to a settlement fund to be divided among the class members. Attorneys who worked on the case will also seek to recover up to \$3.9 million in fees for their work on the case. The attorney fees will not reduce the settlement fund and will be paid by the state.

For more information see the web site or write to Parking Placard Settlement, Class Counsel, Skelton & Woody, Post Office Box 1609, Austin, Texas 78767-1609 or contact the Call Center at 1-866-814-5419