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H.B. No. 3608

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a rental locator permit issued by the Texas Real Estate Commission; authorizing a fee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 1101, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subchapter K-1 to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER K-1. RENTAL LOCATOR PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Sec. 1101.521. RENTAL LOCATOR PERMIT. (a) The commission shall adopt rules to provide for the issuance of a rental locator permit to an applicant who:

(1) is 18 years of age or older;

(2) has a high school diploma or the equivalent of a high school diploma;

(3) completes a training course on rental locating approved by the commission;

(4) has not, in the two years preceding the date of the application, held a rental locator permit issued under this section;

(5) is sponsored by a licensed broker;

(6) is currently enrolled in qualifying real estate courses required for a sales agent or broker license; and

(7) pays an application fee in an amount set by the commission.

(b) A rental locator permit expires on the 120th day after

1 the date of issuance and may not be renewed.

2 (c) Notwithstanding Section [1101.351\(a\)](#), a person who holds
3 a permit issued under this section may act as a residential rental
4 locator. The permit holder must be supervised by the sponsoring
5 broker.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.