By: Armbrister S.B. No. 1251

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to agreements for the electronic processing of certain

3 licenses or permits.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 5, Alcoholic Beverage

6 Code, is amended by adding Section 5.55 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 5.55. AGREEMENTS FOR ELECTRONIC PROCESSING OF LICENSES

8 OR PERMITS. The commission or administrator may enter into an

agreement with another agency of this state to provide for the

issuance of original or renewal licenses or permits through the use

of electronic means, including use of the Internet, to facilitate

12 the licensing process. A reasonable service fee may be charged to

applicants who choose to use electronic or Internet service to

apply for original licenses or permits or to renew licenses or

permits, subject to other laws limiting or defining those fees;

16 provided, that no service fee may be charged by the commission or by

another agency to those applicants who choose not to utilize the

18 electronic or Internet method to apply for an original or a renewal

19 <u>license or permit.</u>

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.