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> A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-10 1-11 relating to expiration dates for certain licenses issued or renewed by the Department of Agriculture.

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

SECTION 1. Section 61.013(d), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) A vegetable seed license expires on the first anniversary of the date on which it was issued or renewed [August 31 of each year].

SECTION 2. Sections 76.113(a) and (b), Agriculture Code, are amended to read as follows:

- (a) Each commercial applicator or noncommercial applicator license expires on the first anniversary of the date on [the last day of February of the year following the year in] which it was issued or renewed.
- (b) Each private applicator license expires on the fifth anniversary of the date on [the last day of February of the fifth year following the year in] which it was issued or renewed.

 SECTION 3. Section 121.004(b), Agriculture Code, is amended

to read as follows:

(b) A certificate of authority expires on the first anniversary of the date on [December 31 of the year in] which it was $[\dot{s}]$ issued or renewed.

SECTION 4. Section 132.024, Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 132.024. LICENSE EXPIRATION [YEAR]. [(a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section, a license required by this chapter is valid from September 1 of each year through August 31 of the following year.

[(b)] A license issued or renewed [to a new business] under this chapter expires on the first anniversary of [is valid from] the date of issuance or renewal [through the following August 31, unless the new license is issued in August, in which event the license is valid through August 31 of the following year].

SECTION 5. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a license issued or renewed on or after the effective date of this Act. A license issued or renewed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the license was issued or renewed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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