By: Cook of Colorado (Senate Sponsor - Armbrister) H.B. No. 1267 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 4, 2005; April 6, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 12, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 12, 2005, sent to printer.)

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

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relating to changing the name of the Texas Industrial Fire Training Board to the Texas Industrial Emergency Services Board.

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

SECTION 1. Section 775.032(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) A business entity is not subject to the ad valorem tax authorized by this chapter or subject to the district's powers if the business entity:
- (1) provides its own fire prevention and fire control services and owns or operates fire-fighting equipment or systems equivalent to or better than standards developed by the National Fire Protection Association or another nationally recognized association and for which the business entity receives the appropriate approval from the Texas Industrial Emergency Services [Fire Training] Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas;
- (2) provides and operates its own equipped industrial ambulance with a licensed driver and provides industrial victim care by an emergency care attendant trained to provide the equivalent of ordinary basic life support, as defined by Section 773.003; and
- (3) provides ordinary emergency services for the business entity, such as emergency response, as defined by 29 C.F.R. Sec. 1910.120, rescue, disaster planning, or security services, as recognized by the Texas Industrial Emergency Services [Fire Training] Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, and provides the equipment, training, and facilities necessary to safely handle emergencies and protect the business entity and its neighbors in the community.

SECTION 2. Section 776.032(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) A business entity is not subject to the ad valorem tax authorized by this chapter or subject to the district's powers if the business entity:
- (1) provides its own fire prevention and fire control services and owns or operates fire-fighting equipment or systems equivalent to or better than standards developed by the National Fire Protection Association or another nationally recognized association and for which the business entity receives the appropriate approval from the Texas Industrial Emergency Services [Fire Training] Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas;
- (2) provides and operates its own equipped industrial ambulance with a licensed driver and provides industrial victim care by an emergency care attendant trained to provide the equivalent of ordinary basic life support, as defined by Section 773.003; and
- (3) provides ordinary emergency services for the business entity, such as emergency response, as defined by 29 C.F.R. Sec. 1910.120, rescue, disaster planning, or security services, as recognized by the Texas Industrial Emergency Services [Fire Training] Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, and provides the equipment, training, and facilities necessary to safely handle emergencies and protect the business entity and its neighbors in the community.

SECTION 3. Section 541.201(1), Transportation Code, is

amended to read as follows:

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- (1) "Authorized emergency vehicle" means:
 - (A) a fire department or police vehicle;
- (B) a public or private ambulance operated by a person who has been issued a license by the Texas Department of Health;
- (C) a municipal department or public service corporation emergency vehicle that has been designated or authorized by the governing body of a municipality;
- (D) a private vehicle of a volunteer firefighter or a certified emergency medical services employee or volunteer when responding to a fire alarm or medical emergency;
- (E) an industrial emergency response vehicle, including an industrial ambulance, when responding to an emergency, but only if the vehicle is operated in compliance with criteria in effect September 1, 1989, and established by the predecessor of the Texas Industrial Emergency Services [Fire Training] Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas; or
- (F) a vehicle of a blood bank or tissue bank, accredited or approved under the laws of this state or the United States, when making emergency deliveries of blood, drugs, medicines, or organs.
- SECTION 4. A reference in another law or an administrative rule to the Texas Industrial Fire Training Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas means the Texas Industrial Emergency Services Board of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas.
 - SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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