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H.B. No. 3073

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to certain disclosure requirements regarding inspections
3 of fire extinguishers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Article 5.43-1, Insurance Code, is amended by
6 adding Section 4B to read as follows:

7 Sec. 4B. REQUIRED STATEMENT. (a) A firm registered under
8 Section 4 of this article that performs an annual fire extinguisher
9 inspection at the premises of a business entity that is required
10 under a municipal ordinance to obtain the inspection shall provide
11 to an authorized person at the business entity at which the
12 inspection is performed a written statement that discloses:

13 (1) that the business entity has the right to select
14 the registered firm that will conduct the inspection; and

15 (2) the registered firm's fee for performing the
16 inspection.

17 (b) The authorized person at the business entity at which
18 the inspection is performed must sign the statement before the
19 inspection may be performed.

20 (c) The registered firm shall provide a copy of the signed
21 statement to the authorized person at the business entity and shall
22 maintain a copy of the statement in the firm's records until the
23 first anniversary of the date of the inspection.

24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.