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H.B. No. 3360

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the registration of certain trailers and semitrailers.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 502, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 502.189 to read as follows:

Sec. 502.189. CERTIFICATION PREREQUISITE FOR CERTAIN TRAILER AND SEMITRAILER REGISTRATION. (a) In addition to the requirements of Section 502.151, an applicant for registration of a trailer or semitrailer that has a gross vehicle weight of 4,000 pounds or less must submit to the county assessor-collector a certificate of authenticity issued by the Department of Public Safety under this section.

(b) The Department of Public Safety shall issue a certificate of authenticity to an owner of a trailer or semitrailer who demonstrates that the trailer or semitrailer is as described in the application for registration and weighs the amount stated in the affidavit required by Section 502.151(c).

(c) The department and the Department of Public Safety shall adopt rules and forms to implement and enforce this section.

SECTION 2. (a) Section 502.189, Transportation Code, as added by this Act, applies only to an application for registration of a trailer or semitrailer filed on or after January 1, 2006.

(b) The Texas Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety shall adopt rules and forms as required

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1 by Section 502.189, Transportation Code, as added by this Act, not
2 later than December 1, 2005.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.