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S.B. No. 1422

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to inspectors qualified to perform certain windstorm
3 inspections.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 6A(d), Article 21.49, Insurance Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (d) A windstorm inspection may only be performed by a
8 qualified inspector. For purposes of this article, a "qualified
9 inspector" includes:

10 (1) a person determined by the department to be
11 qualified to perform building inspections because of training or
12 experience;

13 (2) a licensed professional engineer meeting the
14 requirements of the rules adopted by the commissioner for
15 appointment to conduct windstorm inspections; and

16 (3) an inspector who is certified by the International
17 Code Council or the International Association of Plumbing and
18 Mechanical Officials [~~the Building Officials and Code~~
19 ~~Administrators International, Inc., the International Conference~~
20 ~~of Building Officials, or the Southern Building Code Congress~~
21 ~~International, Inc.~~] who has certifications as a buildings
22 inspector, plumbing inspector, or mechanical inspector and as a
23 coastal construction inspector, and who also complies with other
24 requirements specified by rule by the commissioner. A qualified

1 inspector must be approved and appointed or employed by the
2 department to perform building inspections. The department may
3 charge a reasonable fee for the filing of applications and
4 determining the qualifications of persons for appointment as
5 qualified inspectors.

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