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H.B. No. 340

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

2 relating to the creation by the Texas Residential Construction
3 Commission of a list of builders who provide certain types of
4 building services.

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

6 SECTION 1. Chapter 409, Property Code, is amended by adding
7 Section 409.0011 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 409.0011. BUILDER LIST. (a) In this section, "volume
9 builder" means a builder who registers at least 100 homes each year
10 as provided by Section 426.003.

11 (b) The commission shall create and make accessible to the
12 public an electronic list and a hard-copy list of builders who:

13 (1) are registered with the commission; and

14 (2) provide in this state building services, including
15 accessible floor plans, to persons with mobility-related special
16 needs.

17 (c) The electronic list required under Subsection (b) shall
18 provide, if available, the following information with respect to
19 each listed builder:

20 (1) a link to the builder's website; and

21 (2) contact information for the builder, including the
22 municipalities where the builder provides building services
23 described by Subsection (b)(2).

24 (d) The commission shall contact all volume builders in this

1 state who do not provide building services to persons with
2 mobility-related special needs as described by Subsection (b)(2)
3 and encourage those builders to develop floor plans that are
4 designed to be accessible for persons with mobility-related special
5 needs.

6 (e) Before a volume builder is included on the electronic or
7 hard-copy list described by Subsection (b), the commission must
8 certify the builder's floor plans designed for persons with
9 mobility-related special needs. The commission shall establish
10 rules, procedures, and fees necessary to certify floor plans as
11 required by this subsection.

12 (f) The Veterans' Land Board shall make accessible to the
13 public on its Internet website and in hard-copy format the
14 electronic list required under Subsection (b).

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.