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H.B. No. 820

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the application of the Texas Structural Pest Control  
3 Act to certain beekeepers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1951.056(a), Occupations Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (a) Except as provided by Sections 1951.212 and  
8 1951.457(c), this chapter does not apply to a person acting as a  
9 beekeeper, as defined by Section 131.001, Agriculture Code, who:

10 (1) is registered [~~with the board and~~] with the chief  
11 apiary inspector as provided by Subchapter C, Chapter 131,  
12 Agriculture Code;

13 (2) does not use pesticides or electrical devices  
14 other than conventional bee smokers or equipment as defined by  
15 Section 131.001, Agriculture Code; and

16 (3) collects, removes, or destroys honey bees [~~not~~  
17 ~~attached to a dwelling or structure occupied by the public~~].

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