

1-1 By: Orr (Senate Sponsor - Hegar) H.B. No. 820
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 30, 2007;
1-3 May 2, 2007, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on
1-4 Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Coastal Resources; May 19, 2007,
1-5 reported favorably from Committee on Natural Resources by the
1-6 following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 19, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to the application of the Texas Structural Pest Control
1-10 Act to certain beekeepers.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Section 1951.056(a), Occupations Code, is
1-13 amended to read as follows:

1-14 (a) Except as provided by Sections 1951.212 and
1-15 1951.457(c), this chapter does not apply to a person acting as a
1-16 beekeeper, as defined by Section 131.001, Agriculture Code, who:

1-17 (1) is registered [~~with the board and~~] with the chief
1-18 apiary inspector as provided by Subchapter C, Chapter 131,
1-19 Agriculture Code;

1-20 (2) does not use pesticides or electrical devices
1-21 other than conventional bee smokers or equipment as defined by
1-22 Section 131.001, Agriculture Code; and

1-23 (3) collects, removes, or destroys honey bees [~~not~~
1-24 ~~attached to a dwelling or structure occupied by the public~~].

1-25 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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