

1-1 By: Thompson (Senate Sponsor - Ellis) H.B. No. 2352
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 10, 2007;
1-3 April 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Jurisprudence; April 30, 2007, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0;
1-6 April 30, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2352 By: Hinojosa

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to a registered property tax consultant.
1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-12 SECTION 1. Section 1152.152(a), Occupations Code, is
1-13 amended to read as follows:
1-14 (a) A registered property tax consultant may not perform
1-15 property tax consulting services for compensation unless the person
1-16 is employed by or associated with and acting for:
1-17 (1) a registered senior property tax consultant; or
1-18 (2) an attorney who is licensed to practice law in this
1-19 state and who has successfully completed the senior property tax
1-20 consultant registration examination required under Section
1-21 1152.160.
1-22 SECTION 2. Section 1152.160, Occupations Code, is amended
1-23 by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
1-24 (e) An attorney who is licensed to practice law in this
1-25 state may take the senior property tax consultant registration
1-26 examination under this section without completing any other
1-27 eligibility requirements for registration as a senior property tax
1-28 consultant under this chapter.
1-29 SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 1152, Occupations Code, is
1-30 amended by adding Section 1152.163 to read as follows:
1-31 Sec. 1152.163. PROHIBITED ACTS. A person required to hold a
1-32 certificate of registration under this chapter to act as a property
1-33 tax consultant may not undertake a representation that pertains in
1-34 any way to legal issues or make any representations pertaining to or
1-35 interpreting the law to a client, appraisal district, appraisal
1-36 review board, or tax office unless that person is also licensed to
1-37 practice law in this state.
1-38 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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