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S.B. No. 1716

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a fee exemption for local law enforcement agencies in  
3 the licensing and registering of X-ray devices used for screening  
4 suspicious packages and other objects.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 401.301, Health and Safety Code, is  
7 amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

8 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,  
9 the department may not assess a fee on a local law enforcement  
10 agency for the licensing and registration of an X-ray machine that  
11 is used to screen packages or other objects the agency suspects may  
12 contain an explosive or other item that would pose a danger to the  
13 public health and safety. Except as otherwise provided by this  
14 subsection, a local law enforcement agency is subject to the  
15 licensing and registration requirements of this chapter.

16 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section  
17 401.301, Health and Safety Code, apply to the licensing and  
18 registration of an X-ray machine on or after the effective date of  
19 this Act. The licensing and registration of an X-ray machine before  
20 the effective date of this Act is covered by the law in effect  
21 immediately before that date, and the former law is continued in  
22 effect for that purpose.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.