

Amend CSHB 300 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 2 of the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of that article accordingly:

SECTION 2.____. Subchapter D, Chapter 201, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 201.214 to read as follows:

Sec. 201.214. ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION. (a) The department shall establish a process to certify environmental specialists in the department, including specialists for matters regarding compliance with state and federal regulation of stormwater runoff and control.

(b) The certification process must allow a person who has completed the process to perform analyses and reviews of, and to approve or disapprove, environmental reports and documents.

(c) The certification process must include minimum standards of training, as determined by the department, including mandatory annual continuing education standards for a certified person to be eligible for annual re-certification.