Amend CSHB 2591 as follows:

(1) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in amended Section 1152.156(a), Occupations Code (page 1, line 19), strike "<u>1152.161</u>" and substitute "1152.160".

(2) Strike the text of SECTION 3 of the bill (page 2, lines1-22) and substitute the following:

SECTION 3. Section 1152.160, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1152.160. [SENIOR PROPERTY TAX CONSULTANT] REGISTRATION EXAMINATIONS [EXAMINATION]. (a) The executive director shall:

(1) adopt an examination for registration as a senior property tax consultant; [and]

(2) adopt an examination for registration as a property tax consultant; and

(3) establish the standards for passing the examinations [examination].

(b) The department shall offer the <u>examinations</u> [examination] at times and places designated by the executive director.

(c) To be eligible to take <u>an</u> [the] examination, an applicant must pay to the department an examination fee.

(d) The examination must[+

[(1)] test the applicant's knowledge of:

- (1) [(A)] property taxation;
- (2) [(B)] the property tax system;
- (3) [(C)] property tax administration;
- (4) [(D)] ethical standards; and

(5) [(E)] general principles of appraisal, accounting, and law as they relate to property tax consulting services[; and

[(2) be graded according to rules adopted by the commission].

(e) An attorney who is licensed to practice law in this state may take the senior property tax consultant registration examination under this section without completing any other eligibility requirements for registration as a senior property tax

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consultant under this chapter.

(f) The department shall accept, develop, or contract for the examinations required by this section, including the administration of the examination.

(3) In SECTION 5 of the bill (page 4, line 15), strike "adopt the examination" and substitute "accept, develop, or contract for the property tax consultant examination".

(4) In SECTION 5 of the bill (page 4, line 15), strike "1152.161" and substitute "1152.160".

(5) In SECTION 5 of the bill (page 4, line 16), strike "added" and substitute "amended".

(6) Strike the text of SECTION 7 of the bill (page 4, line25) and substitute the following:

SECTION 7. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

(b) Section 1152.152(c), Occupations Code, and SubchapterE-1, Chapter 1152, Occupations Code, as added by this Act, takeeffect January 1, 2010.

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