

Amend SB 408 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:

SECTION _____. (a) Section 82.003, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) If after service on a nonresident manufacturer through the secretary of state in the manner prescribed by Subchapter C, Chapter 17, the manufacturer fails to answer or otherwise make an appearance in the time required by law, it is conclusively presumed for the purposes of Subsection (a)(7)(B) that the manufacturer is not subject to the jurisdiction of the court unless the seller is able to secure personal jurisdiction over the manufacturer in the action.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the change in law made by this section applies to an action filed on or after the effective date of this Act or pending on the effective date of this Act.