

Amend SB 1620 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter E, Chapter 14, Finance Code, is amended by adding Section 14.2015 to read as follows:

Sec. 14.2015. CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), information or material obtained or compiled by the commissioner in relation to an examination by the commissioner or the commissioner's representative of a license holder or registrant under Subtitle B or C, Title 4, or Chapter 394 is confidential and may not be disclosed by the commissioner or an officer or employee of the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner, including:

(1) information obtained from a license holder or registrant under Subtitle B or C, Title 4, or Chapter 394;

(2) work performed by the commissioner or the commissioner's representative on information obtained from a license holder or registrant for the purposes of an examination conducted under Subtitle B or C, Title 4, or Chapter 394;

(3) a report on an examination of a license holder or registrant conducted under Subtitle B or C, Title 4, or Chapter 394;
and

(4) any written communications between the license holder or registrant, as applicable, and the commissioner or the commissioner's representative relating to or referencing an examination conducted under Subtitle B or C, Title 4, or Chapter 394.

(b) The commissioner or the commissioner's representative may disclose the confidential information or material described by Subsection (a):

(1) to a department, agency, or instrumentality of this state or the United States if the commissioner considers disclosure to be necessary or proper to the enforcement of the laws of this state or the United States and in the best interest of the public;

(2) if the license holder or registrant consents to the release of the information or has published the information

contained in the release; or

(3) if the commissioner determines that release of the information is required for an administrative hearing.