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H.B. No. 3028

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the regulation of air conditioning and refrigeration
3 technicians.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 1302.101, Occupations Code, is amended
6 by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

7 (f) The commission shall adopt rules under this chapter
8 necessary to comply with Chapter 53.

9 SECTION 2. Section 1302.260(b), Occupations Code, is
10 amended to read as follows:

11 (b) A license issued under this chapter is valid for one
12 year from the date of issuance [~~expires at the end of the license~~
13 ~~period set by the commission~~].

14 SECTION 3. Subchapter F, Chapter 1302, Occupations Code, is
15 amended by adding Section 1302.2601 to read as follows:

16 Sec. 1302.2601. RENEWAL OF LICENSE OR REGISTRATION. (a) On
17 payment of the required fee, a license or registration under this
18 chapter may be renewed annually.

19 (b) Notwithstanding Sections 51.401(c) and (d), a person
20 whose license or registration has been expired for more than 90 days
21 but less than two years may renew the license or registration by
22 paying to the department a renewal fee that is equal to two times
23 the normally required renewal fee. A person whose license or
24 registration has been expired for two years or more may not renew

1 the license or registration. The person may obtain a new license by
2 complying with the requirements and procedures for obtaining an
3 original license or registration.

4 SECTION 4. Not later than January 1, 2010, the Texas
5 Commission of Licensing and Regulation shall adopt rules under
6 Section 1302.101(f), Occupations Code, as added by this Act.

7 SECTION 5. (a) The change in law made by this Act by the
8 amendment of Section 1302.260, Occupations Code, applies only to a
9 license issued or renewed on or after the effective date of this
10 Act. A license issued or renewed before the effective date of this
11 Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the license was
12 issued or renewed, and the former law is continued in effect for
13 that purpose.

14 (b) The change in law made by this Act by the enactment of
15 Section 1302.2601(b), Occupations Code, applies only to a license
16 or registration that expires on or after the effective date of this
17 Act. A license or registration that expires before that date is
18 governed by the law in effect on the date the license or
19 registration expired, and the former law is continued in effect for
20 that purpose.

21 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.