

Amend **CSSB 1** (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered ARTICLE to the bill and renumbering subsequent ARTICLES and SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

ARTICLE \_\_\_\_\_. REGISTRATION OF OUT-OF-STATE PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES  
SECTION \_\_\_\_\_.01. Subtitle B, Title 13, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Chapter 2053 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 2053. REGISTRATION OF OUT-OF-STATE  
PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 2053.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) "Commission" means the Texas Commission of  
Licensing and Regulation.

(2) "Department" means the Texas Department of  
Licensing and Regulation.

(3) "Out-of-state professional sports team" means a  
major national sports team that plays its home games in another  
state. The term includes the major sports teams affiliated with the  
National Football League, the National Basketball Association, the  
National Hockey League, Major League Baseball, Major League Soccer,  
and the teams of any other sports association specified by  
commission rule. The term does not include a farm team that  
provides players to a major national sports team.

(4) "Professional athlete" means a person who receives  
compensation for participation as a member of a sports team.

Sec. 2053.002. RULES. The commission shall adopt the rules  
necessary to administer this chapter.

[Sections 2053.003-2053.050 reserved for expansion]

SUBCHAPTER B. REGISTRATION OF PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES

Sec. 2053.051. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. A professional  
athlete employed by or under contract with an out-of-state  
professional sports team must hold a certificate of registration  
issued under this chapter to engage in a professional sports  
competition in this state.

Sec. 2053.052. REGISTRATION APPLICATION; FEE. (a) An  
applicant for registration must file an application with the  
department on the form prescribed by the department.

(b) The application must be accompanied by:

(1) a nonrefundable application fee in the amount set by the commission to cover the costs of processing an application under this section; and

(2) a registration fee of \$15,000.

Sec. 2053.053. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.

The department shall issue to an applicant who is eligible for registration the appropriate certificate of registration.

Sec. 2053.054. TERM OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION. A

certificate of registration issued under Section 2053.053 expires on the first anniversary of the date of issuance.

Sec. 2053.055. RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION. (a)

The department shall issue to an eligible registrant a certificate of renewal of registration on the timely receipt of a renewal fee in the amount specified by Section 2053.052 for an initial registration.

(b) The certificate expires on the first anniversary of the date of issuance.