

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1093
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Homeland Security & Public Safety
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, the Texas Private Security Board consists of seven members who oversee the licensing and regulation of industries and trades related to private security. The board's membership consists of four public members and three members who are licensed representatives of the specific industries regulated by the board, including a private investigator, an alarm systems company, and the owner or operator of a guard company. Interested parties note that while locksmiths are licensed and regulated under the Private Security Act, the locksmith industry is not currently represented on the board. To address this issue, H.B. 1093 seeks to expand the board's membership.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 1093 amends the Occupations Code to expand the membership of the Texas Private Security Board from seven to nine members by increasing the number of public members from four to five and by adding one member who is a licensed locksmith under the Private Security Act. The bill requires the governor to appoint these members not later than February 1, 2015.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2013.