1-1 By: Thompson of Harris (Senate Sponsor - Garcia) H.B. No. 798
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2013;
1-3 April 30, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Business and Commerce; May 9, 2013, reported adversely, with
1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,
1-6 Nays 0; May 9, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Carona	X	-		
1-10	Taylor	X			
1-11	Eltife	X			
1-12	Estes	Χ			
1-13	Hancock	X			
1-14	Lucio	Х			
1-15	Van de Putte			X	
1-16	Watson	X			
1-17	Whitmire	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 798

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By: Watson

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-21 relating to certain actions taken by certain licensing authorities 1-22 regarding a license holder or applicant who has been convicted of a 1-23 Class C misdemeanor.

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

SECTION 1. Section 53.021, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) Subsection (a) does not apply to a person who has been convicted only of an offense punishable as a Class C misdemeanor unless:

(1) the person is an applicant for or the holder of a license that authorizes the person to possess a firearm; and
(2) the offense for which the person was convicted is a

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to an application for, or a disciplinary proceeding regarding, a license or other authorization that is pending with a licensing authority on the effective date of this Act or an application filed or a disciplinary proceeding commenced on or after that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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