By: Cortez (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2013; April 30, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce; May 7, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 7, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

1-6	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Carona	Х	-		
1-9	Taylor	Х			
1-10	Eltife	Х			
1-11	Estes	Х			
1-12	Hancock	Х			
1-13	Lucio			Х	
1-14	Van de Putte			Х	
1-15	Watson	Х			
1-16	Whitmire	Х			

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to the assumed name of a series limited liability company. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-20 1-21

SECTION 1. Section 71.002(2), Business & Commerce Code, is 1-22 1-23 amended to read as follows:

"Assumed name" means: (2)

(A) for an individual, a name that does not 1-24 1-25 include the surname of the individual;

(B) for a partnership, a name that does not include the surname or other legal name of each joint venturer or 1-26 1-27 1-28 general partner;

(C) for an individual or a partnership, a name, including a surname, that suggests the existence of additional 1-29 1-30 owners by including words such as "Company," "& Company," "& Son," "& Sons," "& Associates," "Brothers," and similar words, but not words that merely describe the business being conducted or the 1-31 1-32 1-33 1-34 professional service being rendered;

1-35 (D) for a limited partnership, a name other than the name stated in its certificate of formation; 1-36 1-37

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for a company, a name used by the company; for a corporation, a name other than the name 1-38 (F) 1-39 stated in its certificate of formation or a comparable document;

(G) for a limited liability partnership, a name other than the name stated in its application filed with the office 1-40 1-41 of the secretary of state or a comparable document; and 1-42

(H) for a limited liability company, a name other 1-43 than the name stated in its certificate of formation or a comparable 1 - 441-45 document, including the name of any series of the limited liability 1-46 company established by its company agreement.

SECTION 2. 1-47 This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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