

By: Simmons

H.B. No. 3660

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3660:

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C.S.H.B. No. 3660

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to requiring the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to  
3 conduct a study and prepare a report on administrative attachment.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 419, Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 419.013 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 419.013. STUDY ON ADMINISTRATIVE ATTACHMENT; REPORT.

8 (a) In this section, "state agency" means a board, commission,  
9 department, institute, office, or other agency in the executive  
10 branch of state government that is created by the constitution or a  
11 statute of this state, including an institution of higher education  
12 or other agency of higher education as defined by Section 61.003,  
13 Education Code.

14 (b) The commission shall conduct a study to determine to  
15 which state agency the commission should be administratively  
16 attached in order to:

17 (1) reduce the costs associated with the commission;

18 (2) improve the provision of commission services; and

19 (3) lower the fees set and collected by the commission  
20 under this chapter.

21 (c) The commission may request the assistance of any state  
22 agency if the commission needs assistance to conduct the study  
23 required under this section. The agency shall provide the  
24 requested assistance.

1        (d) Not later than September 1, 2014, the commission shall  
2 report the results of the study to the legislature, the governor,  
3 and the Legislative Budget Board. The report submitted must:

4            (1) include a complete explanation of the process used  
5 by the commission in conducting the study required under this  
6 section;

7            (2) identify a single state agency to which the  
8 commission shall be administratively attached, selected using the  
9 criteria prescribed by Subsection (b); and

10           (3) include drafts of proposed legislation necessary  
11 to accomplish the administrative attachment.

12        (e) This section expires September 1, 2017.

13        SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.