

1-1 By: Simmons (Senate Sponsor - Hegar) H.B. No. 3660
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 10, 2013;
 1-3 May 15, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Agriculture, Rural Affairs, and Homeland Security; May 17, 2013,
 1-5 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 0;
 1-6 May 17, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
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1-13	X			

1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-15 AN ACT

1-16 relating to requiring the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to
 1-17 conduct a study and prepare a report on administrative attachment.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 419, Government Code, is
 1-20 amended by adding Section 419.013 to read as follows:

1-21 Sec. 419.013. STUDY ON ADMINISTRATIVE ATTACHMENT; REPORT.

1-22 (a) In this section, "state agency" means a board, commission,
 1-23 department, institute, office, or other agency in the executive
 1-24 branch of state government that is created by the constitution or a
 1-25 statute of this state, including an institution of higher education
 1-26 or other agency of higher education as defined by Section 61.003,
 1-27 Education Code.

1-28 (b) The commission shall conduct a study on the
 1-29 administrative attachment of the commission to another state agency
 1-30 in order to:

- 1-31 (1) reduce the costs associated with the commission;
- 1-32 (2) improve the provision of commission services; and
- 1-33 (3) lower the fees set and collected by the commission
 1-34 under this chapter.

1-35 (c) The commission may request the assistance of any state
 1-36 agency if the commission needs assistance to conduct the study
 1-37 required under this section. The agency shall provide the
 1-38 requested assistance.

1-39 (d) Not later than September 1, 2014, the commission shall
 1-40 report the results of the study to the legislature, the governor,
 1-41 and the Legislative Budget Board. The report submitted must
 1-42 include a complete explanation of the process used by the
 1-43 commission in conducting the study required under this section and:

1-44 (1) if the commission finds that administrative
 1-45 attachment to another state agency would further the goals listed
 1-46 in Subsection (b):

1-47 (A) identify a single state agency to which the
 1-48 commission shall be administratively attached, selected using the
 1-49 criteria prescribed by Subsection (b); and

1-50 (B) include drafts of proposed legislation
 1-51 necessary to accomplish the administrative attachment; or

1-52 (2) if the commission finds that administrative
 1-53 attachment to another state agency would not further the goals
 1-54 listed in Subsection (b):

1-55 (A) identify, for each goal listed in Subsection
 1-56 (b), at least five reasons why administrative attachment would not
 1-57 further that goal;

1-58 (B) describe in detail the commission's plan for
 1-59 meeting each goal listed in Subsection (b); and

1-60 (C) include drafts of proposed legislation
 1-61 necessary to accomplish the commission's plan under Paragraph (B).

