Amend **SB 1313** (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering the subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION ____. Section 5.102(b), Business Organizations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply if the other entity or the person for whom the name is reserved or registered, as appropriate, <u>provides to the secretary of state a notarized written statement of</u> <u>the entity's or person's consent</u> [consents in writing] to the subsequent reservation of the similar name.

SECTION ____. Section 5.153(b), Business Organizations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply if:

(1) the other entity or the person for whom the name is reserved or registered, as appropriate, <u>provides to the secretary</u> <u>of state a notarized written statement of the entity's or person's</u> <u>consent</u> [consents in writing] to the registration of the similar name; or

(2) the applicant is a bank, trust company, savings association, or insurance company that has been in continuous existence from a date that precedes the date the conflicting name is filed with the secretary of state.

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