

By: White of Tyler

H.B. No. 2045

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to eligibility of attorneys who hold a law license issued by another state to take the state bar examination.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 82, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 82.025 to read as follows:

Sec. 82.025. ATTORNEY LICENSED IN ANOTHER STATE. (a)
Notwithstanding Sections 82.0241 and 82.036, an attorney licensed to practice law in another state is eligible to take the state's bar examination regardless of whether the attorney has completed law study in an approved law school as required by Section 82.024 if the attorney:

(1) is a United States citizen; and

(2) satisfies all other requirements to be licensed in this state.

(b) The same procedures and deadlines apply to an attorney eligible to take the examination under this section as apply to an attorney licensed in another state who has completed the law study requirements in Section 82.024.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.