

1-1 By: Estes S.B. No. 289
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 8, 2015; January 28, 2015, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Water, and
 1-4 Rural Affairs; March 18, 2015, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; March 18, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the licensure or certification of volunteer
 1-18 firefighters and members of industrial emergency response teams.
 1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-20 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 419, Government Code, is
 1-21 amended by adding Section 419.910 to read as follows:
 1-22 Sec. 419.910. CERTAIN REGULATION PROHIBITED. (a) In this
 1-23 section:
 1-24 (1) "State agency" has the meaning assigned by Section
 1-25 2103.001.
 1-26 (2) "Volunteer firefighter" means a member of a
 1-27 volunteer fire department who is not a full-time paid employee.
 1-28 (b) A state agency may not:
 1-29 (1) require a volunteer firefighter to obtain a
 1-30 license or certification in order to be a volunteer firefighter; or
 1-31 (2) require a member of an industrial emergency
 1-32 response team to obtain a license or certification in order to be a
 1-33 member of an industrial emergency response team.
 1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-35 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-36 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-37 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-38 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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