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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the regulation of salvage vehicle dealers, salvage pool operators, and salvage vehicle rebuilders; expanding the 3 applicability of an occupational license. 4 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 6 SECTION 1. Section 375.001(11), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows: 7 (11) "Vehicle recycler" means a person engaged in the 8 9 business of acquiring, dismantling, or preparing for recycling six or more end-of-life vehicles in a calendar year for the primary 10 purpose of reselling the vehicles' parts. The term includes a 11 <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer licensed] under Chapter 12 2302, Occupations Code, and a used automotive parts recycler 13 licensed under Chapter 2309, Occupations Code. 14 SECTION 2. The heading to Chapter 2302, Occupations Code, 15 is amended to read as follows: 16 CHAPTER 2302. SALVAGE VEHICLE DEALERS, SALVAGE POOL OPERATORS, AND 17 18 SALVAGE VEHICLE REBUILDERS SECTION 3. Section 2302.001, Occupations Code, is amended 19 by amending Subdivision (1) and adding Subdivisions (4-a), (4-b), 20 21 (4-c), (7), (8), and (9) to read as follows: (1) "Casual sale," "damage," "insurance company," 22 "major component part," ["metal recycler," "motor vehicle,"] 23 "nonrepairable motor vehicle," "nonrepairable vehicle title," 24

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"out-of-state buyer," "salvage motor vehicle," "salvage vehicle 1 title," ["salvage vehicle dealer,"] and "used part" have the 2 3 meanings assigned by Section 501.091, Transportation Code. (4-a) "License holder" means a person who holds a 4 5 license as a salvage vehicle dealer, salvage pool operator, or salvage vehicle rebuilder issued under this chapter. 6 7 (4-b) "Metal recycler" means a person who: (A) is engaged in the business of obtaining, 8 converting, or selling ferrous or nonferrous metal for conversion 9 10 into raw material products consisting of prepared grades and having an existing or potential economic value; 11 12 (B) has a facility to convert ferrous or nonferrous metal into raw material products by a method other than 13 the exclusive use of hand tools, including the processing, sorting, 14 cutting, classifying, cleaning, baling, wrapping, shredding, 15 shearing, or changing the physical form or chemical content of the 16 17 metal; and 18 (C) sells or purchases the ferrous or nonferrous 19 metal solely for use as raw material in the production of new 20 products. 21 (4-c) "Motor vehicle" has the meaning assigned by 22 Section 501.002, Transportation Code. 23 (7) "Salvage vehicle dealer" means a person engaged in this state in the business of acquiring, selling, or otherwise 24 dealing in nonrepairable motor vehicles, salvage motor vehicles, 25 26 or, if incidental to a salvage vehicle dealer's primary business, used automotive parts, regardless of whether the person holds a 27

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1 license to engage in that business. The term does not include a
2 person who:
3 (A) buys not more than five nonrepairable motor

4 vehicles or salvage motor vehicles in the same calendar year;

(B) is a licensed used automotive parts recycler;

(C) is a licensed salvage vehicle rebuilder; or

(D) is a licensed salvage pool operator.

"Salvage vehicle rebuilder" means a person who 8 (8) acquires and repairs, rebuilds, or reconstructs for operation on a 9 10 public highway more than five salvage motor vehicles in a calendar year. The term includes a person who repairs, rebuilds, or 11 reconstructs for operation on a public highway more than five 12 salvage motor vehicles in a calendar year that are acquired by 13 another person and returned to that person after the repair, 14 rebuilding, or reconstruction. 15

16 <u>(9) "Used parts dealer" and "used automotive parts</u> 17 <u>recycler" have the meaning assigned to "used automotive parts</u> 18 <u>recycler" by Section 2309.002.</u>

SECTION 4. Sections 2302.0015(b) and (c), Occupations Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) For the purpose of enforcing or administering this chapter, [<del>or</del>] Chapter 501 or 502, Transportation Code, <u>or board</u> <u>rules</u>, a member of the board, an employee or agent of the board or department, a member of the Public Safety Commission, an officer of the Department of Public Safety, or a peace officer may at a reasonable time:

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(1) enter the premises of a business regulated under

1 one of those chapters; [and]

2 (2) inspect or copy any document, record, vehicle,
3 part, or other item regulated under one of those chapters; and

4 (3) inspect the inventory on the premises of a license
5 holder.

6 (c) A person described by Subsection (a) or an employee of a
7 person described by Subsection (a):

8 (1) may not refuse or interfere with an entry or
9 inspection under this section; [and]

10 (2) shall cooperate fully with a person conducting an 11 inspection under this section to assist in the recovery of stolen 12 motor vehicles and parts and to prevent the sale or transfer of 13 stolen motor vehicles and parts; and

14 (3) on demand shall give to a person conducting an 15 inspection under this section a copy of a record required to be 16 maintained under this chapter, Chapter 501 or 502, Transportation 17 Code, or board rule, including an inventory record or bill of sale.

SECTION 5. Section 2302.005, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

20 Sec. 2302.005. APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN <u>STATUTES, RULES,</u> 21 MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, [LICENSES,] AND <u>COUNTY ORDERS</u> [PERMITS]. <u>A</u> 22 [This chapter:

[(1) is in addition to any municipal ordinance relating to the regulation of a] person who deals in nonrepairable motor vehicles or salvage motor vehicles, including a salvage vehicle dealer, salvage pool operator, salvage vehicle rebuilder, or salvage vehicle agent, shall comply with:

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1	(1) this chapter;
2	(2) Chapters 501, 502, and, if applicable, 503,
3	Transportation Code;
4	(3) board rules;
5	(4) all applicable county orders [or used parts]; and
6	(5) all applicable municipal ordinances
7	[ <del>(2) does not prohibit the enforcement of a</del>
8	requirement of a municipal license or permit that is related to an
9	activity regulated under this chapter].
10	SECTION 6. Subchapter B, Chapter 2302, Occupations Code, is
11	amended by adding Section 2302.0521 to read as follows:
12	Sec. 2302.0521. DEPOSIT OF REVENUE. Notwithstanding any
13	other law, all money collected by the board under this chapter shall
14	be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the Texas
15	Department of Motor Vehicles.
16	SECTION 7. Section 2302.101, Occupations Code, is amended
17	to read as follows:
18	Sec. 2302.101. LICENSE REQUIRED [ <del>FOR SALVACE VEHICLE</del>
19	DEALER]. Unless a person holds a [salvage vehicle dealer] license
20	issued under this chapter, the person may not:
21	(1) act as a salvage vehicle dealer <u>, salvage pool</u>
22	<u>operator,</u> or <u>salvage vehicle</u> rebuilder; or
23	(2) store or display a motor vehicle as an agent or
24	escrow agent of an insurance company.
25	SECTION 8. Section 2302.102, Occupations Code, is amended
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26	to read as follows:

S.B. No. 1504 1 [CLASSIFICATION]. (a) The department may issue one or more of the following licenses to a person [shall classify a salvage vehicle 2 3 dealer] according to the type of activity performed by the person: salvage vehicle dealer license; 4 (2) salvage pool operator license; or 5 (3) salvage vehicle rebuilder license [dealer]. 6 7 A person [salvage vehicle dealer] may not engage in (b) 8 activities as a salvage vehicle dealer, salvage pool operator, or salvage vehicle rebuilder [of a particular classification] unless 9 10 the person [dealer] holds a license issued by the department authorizing that activity [with an endorsement in that 11 classification]. 12 (c) A person who engages in business as a salvage vehicle 13 rebuilder and holds a salvage vehicle rebuilder license must also 14 15 hold the appropriate general distinguishing number issued under Chapter 503, Transportation Code, unless the salvage vehicle 16 17 rebuilder only repairs, rebuilds, or reconstructs salvage motor vehicles owned by another person. 18 19 SECTION 9. Section 2302.103(a), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows: 20 21 (a) To apply for a salvage vehicle dealer, salvage pool operator, or salvage vehicle rebuilder license, a person must 22 submit to the department an application on a form prescribed by the 23 department and the application fee. 24 SECTION 10. Section 2302.104, Occupations Code, is amended 25 26 to read as follows:

27 Sec. 2302.104. CONTENTS OF APPLICATION. (a) An application

1 for a [salvage vehicle dealer] license must include:

2 (1) the name, business address, <u>e-mail address</u>, and
3 business telephone number of the applicant;

4 (2) <u>each</u> [the] name under which the applicant proposes
5 to conduct business;

6 (3) the location, by number, street, <u>county</u>, and
7 municipality, <u>where</u> [<del>of each office at which</del>] the applicant
8 proposes to conduct business;

9 (4) a statement indicating whether the applicant 10 previously applied for a license under this chapter and, if so, a 11 statement indicating the result of the previous application and 12 indicating whether the applicant has ever been the holder of a 13 license issued under this chapter that was revoked or suspended;

14 (5) an acknowledgment that the applicant is familiar 15 with and in compliance with municipal ordinances, county orders, and state laws governing the activities covered by the license for 16 17 which the applicant is applying at the location specified in the application [a statement of the previous history, record, and 18 associations of the applicant to the extent sufficient to 19 establish, to the satisfaction of the department, the business 20 reputation and character of the applicant]; 21

(6) the applicant's <u>social security number and</u> federal
tax identification number, if any;

(7) the applicant's state sales tax number; and
(8) any other information required by rules adopted
under this chapter.

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(b) In addition to the information required by Subsection

1 (a), the application of a corporation must include:

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the state of its incorporation;

3 (2) the name, address, date of birth, and social
4 security number of each principal officer or director of the
5 corporation; and

6 (3) [a statement of the previous history, record, and
7 associations of each officer and each director to the extent
8 sufficient to establish, to the satisfaction of the department, the
9 business reputation and character of the applicant; and

10 [(4)] a statement showing whether an officer, 11 director, or employee of the applicant has been refused a license 12 <u>under this chapter or a similar license issued by another</u> 13 <u>jurisdiction</u> [<del>as a salvage vehicle dealer</del>] or has been the holder of 14 a license issued under this chapter <u>or a similar license issued by</u> 15 <u>another jurisdiction</u> that was revoked or suspended.

(c) In addition to the information required by Subsection(a), the application of a partnership must include:

18 (1) the name, address, date of birth, and social
19 security number of each owner or partner; and

(2) [a statement of the previous history, record, and
associations of each owner and each partner to the extent
sufficient to establish, to the satisfaction of the department, the
business reputation and character of the applicant; and

[<del>(3)</del>] a statement showing whether an owner, partner, or employee of the applicant has been refused a license <u>under this</u> <u>chapter or a similar license issued by another jurisdiction</u> [<del>as a</del> <del>salvage vehicle dealer</del>] or has been the holder of a license issued

1 under this chapter or a similar license issued by another 2 jurisdiction that was revoked or suspended.

3 SECTION 11. The heading to Section 2302.105, Occupations 4 Code, is amended to read as follows:

5 Sec. 2302.105. <u>REVIEW OF APPLICATION</u> [<del>DEPARTMENT</del> 6 <del>INVESTIGATION</del>].

7 SECTION 12. Section 2302.105(a), Occupations Code, is 8 amended to read as follows:

9 (a) The department <u>shall review an application for the</u> 10 <u>issuance or renewal of or an amendment to a license issued under</u> 11 <u>this chapter and may investigate the applicant to determine</u> 12 <u>compliance with this chapter, board rules, and if applicable,</u> 13 <u>Chapter 503, Transportation Code</u> [<del>not issue a license under this</del> 14 <del>chapter until the department completes an investigation of the</del> 15 <del>applicant's qualifications</del>].

SECTION 13. Section 2302.106(a), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall issue a license to an applicant who
meets the license qualifications adopted under this chapter and
pays the required <u>fee</u> [<del>fees</del>].

21 SECTION 14. Sections 2302.107(b), (c), and (d), Occupations
22 Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) A person is entitled to a salvage vehicle agent license on application to the department, payment of the required fee, and authorization from a salvage vehicle dealer to operate under the <u>salvage vehicle</u> dealer's license.

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(c) A salvage vehicle dealer may authorize not more than

five persons to operate as salvage vehicle agents under the <u>salvage</u>
 vehicle dealer's license.

3 (d) A salvage vehicle agent may acquire, sell, or otherwise
4 deal in [-] nonrepairable or salvage motor vehicles as directed by
5 the authorizing <u>salvage vehicle</u> dealer.

6 SECTION 15. Section 2302.108, Occupations Code, is amended 7 by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

8 (e) The board may take disciplinary action against a salvage 9 vehicle dealer for an act or omission of a salvage vehicle agent 10 that was authorized by the salvage vehicle dealer or a person acting 11 as a representative of the salvage vehicle dealer and that is 12 grounds for the denial, revocation, or suspension of a salvage 13 vehicle dealer's license.

SECTION 16. The heading to Subchapter D, Chapter 2302, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER D. LICENSE <u>TERM, EXPIRATION,</u> AND RENEWAL

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SECTION 17. Section 2302.151, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2302.151. LICENSE <u>TERM AND</u> EXPIRATION. (a) A license issued under this chapter <u>is valid for the period prescribed by the</u> <u>board</u> [expires on the first anniversary of the date of issuance].

(b) <u>The department may issue a license for a term of less</u> than the period prescribed under Subsection (a) to coordinate expiration dates of licenses held by a person.

25 (c) The board by rule may implement a system under which 26 licenses expire on various dates during the year. For a year in 27 which a license expiration date is changed, the fee for the license

1 shall be prorated so that the license holder pays only that portion
2 of the fee that is allocable to the number of months during which
3 the license is valid. On renewal of the license on the new
4 expiration date, the entire license renewal fee is payable.

5 (d) If the board prescribes the term of a license under this 6 chapter for a period other than one year, the board shall prorate 7 the applicable annual fee required under this chapter as necessary 8 to reflect the term of the license.

9 <u>(e)</u> A person whose license has expired may not engage in the 10 activities that require a license until the license has been 11 renewed under this subchapter.

SECTION 18. Section 2302.152, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

14 Sec. 2302.152. NOTICE OF EXPIRATION. Not later than the 15 31st day before the expiration date of a person's license, the 16 department shall send [written] notice of the impending expiration 17 to the person at the person's last known address according to 18 department records.

SECTION 19. Sections 2302.153(a) and (d), Occupations Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A person who is otherwise eligible to renew a license issued under this chapter may renew an unexpired license by <u>submitting a completed renewal application and</u> paying the required renewal fee to the department on or before the expiration date of the license.

26 (d) A person whose license has been expired for more than 90
 27 <u>days</u> [one year or longer] may not renew the license. The person may

1 obtain a new license by complying with the requirements and 2 procedures for obtaining an original license.

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3 SECTION 20. Section 2302.201, Occupations Code, is amended 4 to read as follows:

5 Sec. 2302.201. DUTIES ON ACQUISITION OF <u>NONREPAIRABLE OR</u> 6 SALVAGE MOTOR VEHICLE. (a) Except as provided by Section 501.0935, 7 Transportation Code, a <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer] who 8 acquires ownership of a <u>nonrepairable or</u> salvage motor vehicle from 9 an owner must receive from the owner <u>the motor vehicle's title</u>, [<del>a</del>] 10 properly assigned to the license holder [title].

(b) The <u>license holder</u> [dealer] shall comply with
Subchapter E, Chapter 501, Transportation Code, and board rules.

13 SECTION 21. Section 2302.202, Occupations Code, is amended 14 to read as follows:

Sec. 2302.202. RECORDS OF PURCHASES. A <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer] shall maintain a record of each <u>nonrepairable or</u> salvage motor vehicle purchased or sold by the <u>license holder</u> [dealer].

SECTION 22. Section 2302.203, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

21 Sec. 2302.203. REGISTRATION OF NEW BUSINESS LOCATION. Before moving a place of business or opening an additional place of 22 business, a <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer] must apply to 23 24 the department to amend the license to reflect [register] the new location [with the department]. A license holder may not engage in 25 26 a licensed activity from a new location until the license is amended by the department to reflect the new location. 27

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3 Sec. 2302.204. CASUAL SALES. This chapter does not apply to 4 a person who purchases <u>not more</u> [fewer] than five nonrepairable 5 motor vehicles or salvage motor vehicles <u>during a calendar year</u> 6 from a <u>license holder or</u> [salvage vehicle dealer,] an insurance 7 company [or salvage pool operator] in a casual sale at auction, 8 except that:

9 (1) the board shall adopt rules as necessary to 10 regulate casual sales by <u>license holders or</u> [<del>salvage vehicle</del> 11 <del>dealers,</del>] insurance companies [<del>, or salvage pool operators</del>] and to 12 enforce this section; and

(2) a <u>license holder or</u> [salvage vehicle dealer,]
insurance company [, or salvage pool operator] who sells a motor
vehicle in a casual sale shall comply with those rules and
Subchapter E, Chapter 501, Transportation Code.

SECTION 24. The heading to Subchapter F, Chapter 2302,Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER F. ADDITIONAL DUTIES OF <u>LICENSE HOLDER</u> [SALVAGE VEHICLE
 DEALER] IN CONNECTION WITH MOTOR VEHICLE COMPONENT PARTS

21 SECTION 25. Section 2302.252, Occupations Code, is amended 22 to read as follows:

23 Sec. 2302.252. REMOVAL OF LICENSE PLATES; INVENTORY. (a) 24 Immediately on receipt of a motor vehicle, <u>nonrepairable motor</u> 25 <u>vehicle, or salvage motor vehicle</u>, a <u>license holder</u> [<del>salvage</del> 26 <del>vehicle dealer</del>] shall remove any [<del>unexpired</del>] license plates [<del>from</del> 27 <del>the vehicle</del>] and place the license plates in a secure, locked place.

S.B. No. 1504 (b) A <u>license holde</u>r [<del>salvage vehicle dealer</del>] shall 1 maintain on a form provided by the department an inventory of 2 3 [unexpired] license plates removed under Subsection (a). The inventory must include: 4 (1) 5 each license plate number; 6 (2) the make of the motor vehicle, nonrepairable motor vehicle, or salvage motor vehicle from which the license plate was 7 8 removed; 9 (3) the motor number of the motor [that] vehicle, nonrepairable motor vehicle, or salvage motor vehicle; and 10 (4) the vehicle identification number of the motor 11 [that] vehicle, nonrepairable motor vehicle, or salvage motor 12 13 vehicle. 14 SECTION 26. Section 2302.254, Occupations Code, is amended 15 to read as follows: 16 Sec. 2302.254. RECORD OF PURCHASE; INVENTORY OF PARTS. (a) 17 A license holder [salvage vehicle dealer] shall keep an accurate and legible inventory of each used component part purchased by or 18 delivered to the license holder [dealer]. The inventory must 19 contain a record of each part that includes: 20 21 (1) the date of purchase or delivery; (2) the name and [, age,] address [, sex, and driver's 22 license number] of the seller and a legible photocopy of the 23 24 seller's current photo identification containing a unique identification number and expiration date [driver's license]; 25 (3) the license plate number of the motor vehicle in 26 27 which the part was delivered;

S.B. No. 1504 1 (4) a complete description of the part, including the type of material and, if applicable, the make, model, color, and 2 3 size of the part; and 4 (5) the vehicle identification number of the motor 5 vehicle, nonrepairable motor vehicle, or salvage motor vehicle from which the part was removed. 6 7 (a-1) The identification document required by Subsection 8 (a) must be a: 9 (1) driver's license or identification card issued by this state, or another state of the United States; 10 (2) <u>United States or foreign passport;</u> 11 12 (3) United States military identification card; (4) North Atlantic Treaty Organization identification 13 14 document or identification document issued under a status of forces 15 agreement; or 16 (5) United States Department of Homeland Security, 17 United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, or United States Department of State identification document. 18 19 (b) Instead of the information required by Subsection (a), a license holder [salvage vehicle dealer] may record: 20 21 (1) the name of the person who sold the part or the motor vehicle, nonrepairable motor vehicle, or salvage motor 22 23 vehicle from which the part was obtained; and 24 (2) the Texas certificate of inventory number or the federal taxpayer identification number of that person. 25 26 (c) The department shall prescribe the form of the record 27 required under Subsection (a) and shall make the form available to

license holders [salvage vehicle dealers]. 1 2 (d) This section does not apply to [+ 3 [(1)] an interior component part or special accessory part that is from a motor vehicle, nonrepairable motor vehicle, or 4 5 salvage motor vehicle more than 10 years of age[; or 6 [(2) a part delivered to a salvage vehicle dealer by a 7 commercial freight line or commercial carrier]. 8 SECTION 27. Sections 2302.255(a), (b), (c), and (e), Occupations Code, are amended to read as follows: 9 A <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer] shall: 10 (a) (1) assign a unique inventory number to 11 each transaction in which the license holder [dealer] purchases or takes 12 delivery of a component part; 13 (2) attach the unique inventory number to 14 each 15 component part the <u>license holder</u> [<del>dealer</del>] obtains in the transaction; and 16 17 (3) retain each component part in its original condition on the business premises of the license holder [dealer] 18 for at least three calendar days, excluding Sundays, after the date 19 the license holder [dealer] obtains the part. 20 21 An inventory number attached to a component part under (b) Subsection (a) may not be removed while the part remains in the 22 inventory of the license holder [salvage vehicle dealer]. 23 24 (c) A <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer] shall record a 25 component part on an affidavit bill of sale if: 26 (1) the component part does not have a vehicle identification number or the vehicle identification number has been 27

1 removed; or

2 (2) the vehicle identification number of the vehicle3 from which the component part was removed is not available.

4 (e) This section does not apply to the purchase by a <u>license</u>
5 <u>holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer] of a nonoperational engine,
6 transmission, or rear axle assembly from another <u>license holder</u>
7 [salvage vehicle dealer] or an automotive-related business.

8 SECTION 28. Section 2302.256, Occupations Code, is amended 9 to read as follows:

10 Sec. 2302.256. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS. A <u>license holder</u> 11 [salvage vehicle dealer] shall keep a record required under this 12 subchapter on a form prescribed by the department. The <u>license</u> 13 <u>holder</u> [dealer] shall maintain two copies of each record required 14 under this subchapter until the first anniversary of the date the 15 <u>license holder</u> [dealer] sells or disposes of the item for which the 16 record is maintained.

SECTION 29. Section 2302.257(a), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

19 (a) On demand, a <u>license holder</u> [salvage vehicle dealer]
20 shall surrender to the department:

21 <u>(1)</u> [for cancellation] a certificate of title or 22 authority;

23 (2)  $a[\tau]$  sales receipt or transfer document;

24 (3)  $a[\tau]$  license plate;

25 (4) an[<del>, or</del>] inventory list; or

26 (5) any record or document the license holder [that 27 the dealer] is required to possess or maintain.

SECTION 30. Sections 2302.351(b) and (c), Occupations Code, are amended to read as follows:

If a license holder [salvage vehicle dealer], 3 (b) an employee of the license holder [dealer] acting in the course of 4 5 employment, or a salvage vehicle agent operating under the salvage vehicle dealer's license is convicted of more than one offense 6 under Section 2302.353(a), the district or county attorney for a 7 8 county in which the license holder's [dealer's] salvage business is located may bring an action in that county to enjoin the license 9 10 <u>holder's</u> [dealer's] business operations for a period of at least one year. 11

12 (c) An action under Subsection (b) must be brought in the 13 name of the state. If judgment is in favor of the state, the court 14 shall:

15 (1) enjoin the <u>license holder</u> [dealer] from 16 maintaining or participating in the business of a salvage vehicle 17 dealer<u>, salvage pool operator, or salvage vehicle rebuilder</u> for a 18 definite period of at least one year or indefinitely, as determined 19 by the court; and

20 (2) order that the <u>license holder's</u> [<del>dealer's</del>] place
21 of business be closed for the same period.

22 SECTION 31. Section 2302.354, Occupations Code, is amended 23 by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

24 (e) Notwithstanding any other law, an administrative
25 penalty recovered under this chapter shall be deposited in the
26 state treasury to the credit of the Texas Department of Motor
27 Vehicles.

1 SECTION 32. Section 2309.002, Occupations Code, is amended 2 by amending Subdivision (1) and adding Subdivision (8) to read as 3 follows:

(1) "Insurance company," ["metal recycler," "motor
vehicle,"] "nonrepairable motor vehicle," "nonrepairable vehicle
title," "salvage motor vehicle," and "salvage vehicle title[," and
"salvage vehicle dealer]" have the meanings assigned by Section
501.091, Transportation Code.

9 (8) "Metal recycler," "motor vehicle," and "salvage 10 vehicle dealer" have the meanings assigned by Section 2302.001.

SECTION 33. Section 2309.004, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

13 Sec. 2309.004. APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER TO <u>PERSONS LICENSED</u> 14 <u>UNDER CHAPTER 2302</u> [SALVACE VEHICLE DEALERS]. (a) Except as 15 provided by Subsection (b), this chapter does not apply to a 16 transaction in which a salvage vehicle dealer, salvage pool 17 <u>operator, or salvage vehicle rebuilder</u> is a party.

(b) This chapter applies to a salvage vehicle dealer.
<u>salvage pool operator</u>, or <u>salvage vehicle rebuilder</u> who deals in
used automotive parts as more than an incidental part of <u>that</u>
<u>person's</u> [the salvage vehicle dealer's] primary business.

22 SECTION 34. The heading to Section 391.127, Transportation 23 Code, is amended to read as follows:

24 Sec. 391.127. <u>PERSONS LICENSED UNDER CHAPTER 2302</u>, 25 OCCUPATIONS CODE [<del>SALVAGE VEHICLE DEALER LICENSE</del>].

26 SECTION 35. Sections 501.091(2), (7), (11), (14), and (17), 27 Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

S.B. No. 1504 1 (2) "Casual sale" means the sale by a <u>license holder</u> under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code, [salvage vehicle dealer] or 2 an insurance company of five or fewer nonrepairable motor vehicles 3 or salvage motor vehicles to the same person during a calendar year, 4 5 but does not include: 6 (A) a sale at auction to a <u>license holder under</u> 7 Chapter 2302, Occupations Code [salvage vehicle dealer]; a sale to an insurance company, out-of-state 8 (B) buyer, or governmental entity; or 9 10 (C) the sale of an export-only motor vehicle to a person who is not a resident of the United States. 11 (7) "Metal recycler" has the meaning assigned by 12 Section 2302.001, Occupations Code [means a person who: 13 [(A) is engaged in the business of obtaining, 14 15 converting, or selling ferrous or nonferrous metal for conversion 16 into raw material products consisting of prepared grades and having an existing or potential economic value; 17 [(B) has a facility to convert ferrous 18 or 19 nonferrous metal into raw material products by method other than the exclusive use of hand tools, including the processing, sorting, 20 cutting, classifying, cleaning, baling, wrapping, shredding, 21 shearing, or changing the physical form or chemical content of the 22 metal; and 23 24 [(C) sells or purchases the ferrous or nonferrous 25 metal solely for use as raw material in the production of new 26 products]. (11) "Out-of-state buyer" means a person licensed in 27

an automotive business by another state or jurisdiction if the 1 department has listed the holders of such a license as permitted 2 3 purchasers of salvage motor vehicles or nonrepairable motor vehicles based on substantially similar licensing requirements and 4 5 on whether a person [salvage vehicle dealers] licensed under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code, is [in Texas are] permitted to 6 purchase salvage motor vehicles or nonrepairable motor vehicles in 7 8 the other state or jurisdiction.

9 (14) "Rebuilder" <u>has the meaning assigned to "salvage</u> 10 <u>vehicle rebuilder" by Section 2302.001, Occupations Code</u> [means a 11 <u>person who acquires and repairs, rebuilds, or reconstructs for</u> 12 <del>operation on a public highway, more than five salvage motor</del> 13 <del>vehicles in a calendar year</del>].

14 (17)"Salvage vehicle dealer" has the meaning assigned 15 by Section 2302.001, Occupations Code [means a person engaged in this state in the business of acquiring, selling, repairing, 16 17 rebuilding, reconstructing, or otherwise dealing in nonrepairable motor vehicles, salvage motor vehicles, or, if incidental to a 18 19 salvage motor vehicle dealer's primary business, used automotive 20 parts regardless of whether the person holds a license issued by the department to engage in that business. The term does not include an 21 unlicensed person who: 22

23 [(A) casually repairs, rebuilds, or reconstructs
24 not more than five nonrepairable motor vehicles or salvage motor
25 vehicles in the same calendar year;

26 [(B) buys not more than five nonrepairable motor
27 vehicles or salvage motor vehicles in the same calendar year; or

1 [(C) is a licensed used automotive parts recycler 2 if the sale of repaired, rebuilt, or reconstructed nonrepairable 3 motor vehicles or salvage motor vehicles is more than an incidental 4 part of the used automotive parts recycler's business].

5 SECTION 36. Sections 501.095(a) and (b), Transportation 6 Code, are amended to read as follows:

7 If the department has not issued a nonrepairable vehicle (a) 8 title, nonrepairable record of title, salvage vehicle title, or salvage record of title for the motor vehicle and a comparable 9 out-of-state ownership document for the motor vehicle has not been 10 issued by another state or jurisdiction, a business or governmental 11 entity described by Subdivisions (1)-(3) may sell, transfer, or 12 release a nonrepairable motor vehicle or salvage motor vehicle only 13 14 to a person who is:

15 (1) a <u>license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations</u> 16 <u>Code</u> [<del>licensed salvage vehicle dealer</del>], a used automotive parts 17 recycler under Chapter 2309, Occupations Code, or a metal recycler 18 under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code;

19 (2) an insurance company that has paid a claim on the20 nonrepairable or salvage motor vehicle; or

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(3) a governmental entity.

(b) A person, other than a salvage vehicle dealer, <u>salvage</u> <u>pool operator, salvage vehicle rebuilder,</u> [<del>a</del>] used automotive parts recycler, or [<del>an</del>] insurance company licensed to do business in this state, who acquired ownership of a nonrepairable or salvage motor vehicle that has not been issued a nonrepairable vehicle title, nonrepairable record of title, salvage vehicle title, salvage

1 record of title, or a comparable ownership document issued by 2 another state or jurisdiction shall, before selling the motor 3 vehicle, surrender the properly assigned title for the motor 4 vehicle to the department and apply to the department for the 5 appropriate ownership document.

6 SECTION 37. Sections 501.099(b), (c), (d), (e), and (g), 7 Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

8 (b) A person may purchase a nonrepairable motor vehicle or a9 salvage motor vehicle only if:

10 (1) the person purchases the motor vehicle from a 11 <u>license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code,</u> [<del>licensed</del> 12 <del>salvage vehicle dealer</del>] or a governmental entity;

13 (2) the motor vehicle has been issued a nonrepairable14 vehicle title or a salvage vehicle title; and

15 (3) the purchaser certifies to the seller on a form16 provided by the department that the purchaser will:

17 (A) remove the motor vehicle from the United18 States; and

19 (B) not return the motor vehicle to any state of 20 the United States as a motor vehicle titled or registered under its 21 manufacturer's vehicle identification number.

(c) A <u>license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code</u>, [salvage vehicle dealer] or a governmental entity that sells a nonrepairable motor vehicle or a salvage motor vehicle to a person who is not a resident of the United States shall, before the sale of the motor vehicle, obtain a copy, photocopy, or other accurate reproduction of a valid identification card, identification

1 certificate, or an equivalent document issued to the purchaser by 2 the appropriate authority of the jurisdiction in which the 3 purchaser resides that bears a photograph of the purchaser and is 4 capable of being verified using identification standards adopted by 5 the United States or the international community.

6 (d) The department by rule shall establish a list of 7 identification documents that are valid under Subsection (c) and 8 provide a copy of the list to each <u>license</u> holder <u>under Chapter</u> 9 <u>2302, Occupations Code</u>, [of a salvage vehicle dealer license] and 10 to each appropriate governmental entity.

(e) A <u>license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code</u>, [salvage vehicle dealer] or a governmental entity that sells a nonrepairable motor vehicle or a salvage motor vehicle to a person who is not a resident of the United States shall:

(1) stamp on the face of the title so as not to obscure any name, date, or mileage statement on the title the words "FOR EXPORT ONLY" in capital letters that are black; and

18 (2) stamp in each unused reassignment space on the 19 back of the title the words "FOR EXPORT ONLY" and print the number 20 of the <u>license holder's</u> [dealer's salvage vehicle] license or the 21 name of the governmental entity, as applicable.

(g) A <u>license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code</u>, [salvage vehicle dealer] or governmental entity who sells a nonrepairable motor vehicle or a salvage motor vehicle under this section to a person who is not a resident of the United States shall keep on the business premises of the <u>license holder</u> [dealer] or entity until the third anniversary of the date of the sale:

S.B. No. 1504 1 (1)a copy of each document related to the sale of the vehicle; and 2 3 (2)a list of all vehicles sold under this section that contains: 4 5 (A) the date of the sale; (B) the name of the purchaser; 6 7 a photocopy [the name] of [the country that (C) 8 issued] the identification document provided by the purchaser[, as shown on the document]; and 9 (D) the vehicle identification number. 10 SECTION 38. Section 501.1003, Transportation Code, 11 is amended to read as follows: 12 Sec. 501.1003. [SALVAGE DEALER] RESPONSIBILITIES 13 OF 14 CERTAIN LICENSE HOLDERS. (a) If a license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code, [salvage vehicle dealer] acquires 15 ownership of a nonrepairable motor vehicle or salvage motor vehicle 16 for the purpose of dismantling, scrapping, or destroying the motor 17 vehicle, the license holder [dealer] shall, before the 31st day 18 after the date the license holder [dealer] acquires the motor 19 vehicle, submit to the department a report stating that the motor 20 vehicle will be dismantled, scrapped, or destroyed. The license 21 holder [dealer] shall: 22 (1) make the report in a manner prescribed by the 23 24 department; and (2) submit with the report a properly assigned 25 26 manufacturer's certificate of origin, regular certificate of title, nonrepairable vehicle title, salvage vehicle title, or 27

1 comparable out-of-state ownership document for the motor vehicle.

2 (b) After receiving the report and title or document, the 3 department shall issue the <u>license holder under Chapter 2302</u>, 4 <u>Occupations Code</u>, [salvage vehicle dealer] a receipt for the 5 manufacturer's certificate of origin, regular certificate of 6 title, nonrepairable vehicle title, salvage vehicle title, or 7 comparable out-of-state ownership document.

8 (c) The department shall adopt rules to notify the <u>license</u> 9 <u>holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code</u>, [<del>salvage dealer</del>] if 10 the vehicle was not issued a printed title, but has a record of 11 title in the department's titling system.

SECTION 39. Section 501.108, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 501.108. RECORD RETENTION. 14 (a) Each license holder 15 under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code [licensed salvage vehicle dealer], used automotive parts recycler, or insurance company that 16 17 sells a nonrepairable motor vehicle or a salvage motor vehicle at a casual sale shall keep on the business premises of the license 18 holder, recycler, or [dealer or the] insurance company a list of all 19 casual sales made during the preceding 36-month period that 20 21 contains:

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(1) the date of the sale;

(2) the name of the purchaser;

(3) <u>a photocopy</u> [the name] of [the jurisdiction that
issued] the identification document provided by the purchaser[<del>, as</del>
shown on the document]; and

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(4) the vehicle identification number.

1 (b) A <u>license holder under Chapter 2302, Occupations Code</u>, 2 [salvage vehicle dealer] or used automotive parts recycler shall 3 keep on the business premises of the <u>license holder</u> [dealer] or 4 recycler, until the third anniversary of the date the report on the 5 motor vehicle is submitted to the department, a record of the 6 vehicle, its ownership, and its condition as dismantled, scrapped, 7 or destroyed as required by Section 501.1003.

8 SECTION 40. The following sections of the Occupations Code 9 are repealed:

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(1) Section 2302.103(b);

(2) Sections 2302.153(c) and (e);

12 (3) Section 2302.258; and

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(4) Section 2302.302.

SECTION 41. Section 2302.104, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to an application for a license submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. An application for a license submitted before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the application was submitted, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 42. Section 2302.108(e), Occupations Code, as added by this Act, applies only to conduct by a salvage vehicle agent authorized on or after January 1, 2016. Conduct authorized before that date is governed by the law in effect on the date the conduct was authorized, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

26 SECTION 43. Not later than November 1, 2015, the Texas 27 Department of Motor Vehicles shall adopt any rules necessary to

1 implement the changes in law made by this Act and shall begin 2 accepting applications for and issuing salvage pool operator and 3 salvage vehicle rebuilder licenses.

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4 SECTION 44. (a) Except as otherwise provided by this 5 section, this Act takes effect January 1, 2016.

6 (b) Sections 41 and 43 of this Act take effect September 1,7 2015.

8 (c) Sections 2302.102(a), 2302.103(a), 2302.104, and 9 2302.105(a) and the heading to Section 2302.105, Occupations Code, 10 as amended by this Act, take effect September 1, 2015.