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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 1073 |
| By: Smithee |
| Insurance |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  Interested parties note that the Texas Department of Insurance may issue a provisional permit to eligible applicants for certain licenses but not to an applicant for a life agent license. H.B. 1073 seeks to address this issue by extending the applicability of statutory provisions relating to a provisional permit to such an applicant. |
| **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**  It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision. |
| **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**  It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution. |
| **ANALYSIS**  H.B. 1073 amends the Insurance Code to make statutory provisions relating to the authority of the Texas Department of Insurance to issue a provisional permit to an eligible license applicant who is being considered for appointment as an agent by another agent, an insurer, or a health maintenance organization applicable to an applicant for a life agent license. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE**  September 1, 2017. |