

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1055
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Licensing & Administrative Procedures
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that there is not enough stability with regard to certain occupational licensing fees. H.B. 1055 seeks to address this issue by prohibiting a state agency from increasing the amount of a fee for the issuance or renewal of a license issued by the agency.

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. 1055 amends the Occupations Code to prohibit a state agency from increasing the amount of a fee established on or before January 1, 2017, for the issuance or renewal of a license issued by the agency to an amount greater than the amount of that fee on January 1, 2017.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.