By:  Nelson S.B. No. 237

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COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Hancock              X

Nichols              X

Campbell             X

Creighton            X

Menéndez             X

Paxton               X

Schwertner           X

Whitmire             X

Zaffirini            X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the criteria for review by the Sunset Advisory Commission of an agency that licenses an occupation.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 325.0115, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

(c)  As part of the commission's review of an agency that licenses an occupation or profession, the commission and its staff shall determine whether the governing body of the agency being reviewed has made an evaluation regarding the type of personal information of license holders that the agency should make available on the agency's Internet website based on the following factors:

(1)  the type of information the public needs to file a complaint with the agency;

(2)  the type of information the public needs to locate an existing or potential service provider;

(3)  the type of information the public needs to verify a license; and

(4)  whether making the information available on the agency's Internet website could subject a license holder to harassment, solicitation, or other nuisance.

(d)  If the commission determines that the governing body of an agency has not completed the evaluation described by Subsection (c), the commission shall make a recommendation that the governing body of the agency perform such an evaluation.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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