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S.B. No. 787

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a reduced licensing fee for certain former license holders.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 57, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 57.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 57.003. REDUCED LICENSING FEE FOR CERTAIN FORMER LICENSE HOLDERS. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a state agency that issues a license shall charge a reduced license application fee or reactivation fee, as applicable, not to exceed one-third of the amount of the usual fee, to an applicant who:

(1) in the two-year period preceding the date of the application, became a parent by natural birth or adoption; and

(2) immediately before the birth or adoption, held an active license of the same type for which the person is applying.

(b) The applicant must submit to the agency with the application a copy of the child's birth certificate or adoption order, as appropriate.

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