

1-1 By: Hancock S.B. No. 787
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 12, 2019; March 1, 2019,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
 1-4 April 8, 2019, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 8, 2019,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
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1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 787 By: Hancock

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to a reduced occupational licensing fee for certain former
 1-22 license holders.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 57, Occupations Code, is amended by
 1-25 adding Section 57.003 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 57.003. REDUCED OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING FEE FOR CERTAIN
 1-27 FORMER LICENSE HOLDERS. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a
 1-28 state agency that issues a license shall adopt rules requiring the
 1-29 agency to charge a reduced license application fee or reactivation
 1-30 fee, as applicable, not to exceed one-third of the amount of the
 1-31 usual fee, to an applicant who:

1-32 (1) in the two-year period preceding the date of the
 1-33 application, became a parent by natural birth or adoption; and

1-34 (2) immediately before the birth or adoption, held an
 1-35 active license of the same type for which the person is applying.

1-36 (b) Rules adopted under this section may require an
 1-37 applicant to submit to the state agency an attestation or other
 1-38 documentation relating to the child's birth or adoption.

1-39 SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2020, a state agency
 1-40 to which Section 57.003, Occupations Code, as added by this Act,
 1-41 applies shall adopt and implement the rules required by that
 1-42 section.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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