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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY: Thompson of Harris

1 Amend H.B. 636 (house committee report) as follows:

2 (1) On page 11, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following
3 appropriately numbered subdivision and renumber subsequent
4 subdivisions accordingly:

5 () Section 1301.358;

6 (2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the
7 bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

8 SECTION __. Subchapter G, Chapter 1301, Occupations Code,
9 is amended by adding Section 1301.3581 to read as follows:

10 Sec. 1301.3581. RECIPROCITY. (a) The board may waive any
11 prerequisite to obtaining a license, registration, or endorsement
12 issued under this chapter for an applicant who holds a similar
13 license, registration, or endorsement issued by another
14 jurisdiction that has licensing requirements substantially
15 equivalent to those of this state.

16 (b) The board may make an agreement, subject to the approval
17 of the governor, with another state to allow for licensing by
18 reciprocity if the other state has requirements for a license,
19 registration, or endorsement substantially equivalent to those of
20 this state.

21 (c) An applicant under this section must:

22 (1) apply in the same manner and form as any other
23 applicant under this chapter; and

24 (2) provide the board with documents and other
25 evidence that substantiate the applicant's qualifications.

26 (d) An applicant for a license, registration, or
27 endorsement issued under this section may not be required to
28 undergo an examination to obtain the license, registration, or
29 endorsement if the applicant has held an equivalent license,

1 registration, or endorsement in another jurisdiction for at least
2 two years. The board may adopt rules for determining whether a
3 license, registration, or endorsement issued by another
4 jurisdiction is equivalent to a license, registration, or
5 endorsement issued under this chapter.