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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| C.S.H.B. 3374 |
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| Business & Industry |
| Committee Report (Substituted) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  State law requires that a person seeking to rent a motor vehicle to another person verify the renter's signature in person. This requirement creates a potential barrier to entry for modern rental companies, which may operate primarily in the digital space with little to no opportunity for in-person interaction, as it creates a de facto requirement for rental companies to have physical locations in Texas. C.S.H.B. 3374 seeks to remove the in-person signature verification requirement. |
| **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**  C.S.H.B. 3374 amends the Transportation Code to remove the requirement for a person seeking to rent a motor vehicle to another person to compare and verify the signature on the renter's driver's license with the renter's signature written in the person's presence. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE**  September 1, 2021. |
| **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**  C.S.H.B. 3374 differs from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways by conforming to certain bill drafting conventions. |
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