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H.B. No. 4214

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to obtaining a occupational license while incarcerated

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

SECTION 1. Section 51.357, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) As an alternative to denying, revoking, suspending, or refusing to issue or renew a license under Section 51.356 or 51.4012(a) or Chapter 53, the commission or executive director may issue a restricted license to an applicant, including an applicant incarcerated in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, for a license under:

(1) Chapter 1302; or

(2) Chapter 1305.

(b) The department may impose reasonable conditions on a holder of a restricted license, including requiring the license holder to:

(1) limit the scope or location of the license holder's practice;

(2) be supervised; and

(3) report to the department, including notifying the department promptly of any change in the license holder's supervision.

(c) The department may:

(1) include on the face of a license and in the

1 department's records a statement:

2 (A) that the license is restricted; and

3 (B) of any condition of the restricted license;

4 and

5 (2) use a distinctive design for a restricted license.

6 (d) A license holder who supervises the holder of a
7 restricted license shall use reasonable care to ensure that the
8 license holder complies with any condition imposed under this
9 section.

10 (e) The commission or executive director may impose an
11 administrative penalty or other sanction on the holder of a
12 restricted license or on a license holder who supervises the person
13 for a violation of this section.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.