

AN ACT

relating to examinations for applicants for or holders of licenses or registrations to perform certain activities pertaining to compressed natural gas or liquefied natural gas.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 113.087(a), (j), and (k), Natural Resources Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The satisfactory completion of the requirements of this section is mandatory, and operations requiring an LP-gas license may not commence, continue, or resume unless examination and seminar requirements are fulfilled. The commission shall prepare, administer, and grade or review an examination required by this section or contract with a testing or proctoring service to prepare, administer, and grade or review the examination.

(j) If the examination is graded or reviewed by a testing or proctoring service:

(1) the commission shall notify the person of the results of the examination not later than the 14th day after the date the commission receives the results from the testing or proctoring service; and

(2) if notice of the examination results will be delayed for longer than 90 days after the examination date, the commission shall notify the person of the reason for the delay before the 90th day.

1 (k) The commission may require a testing or proctoring
2 service to notify a person of the results of the person's
3 examination.

4 SECTION 2. Section 113.088(b), Natural Resources Code, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (b) Before seminar attendance or examination of any person,
7 except as provided by [~~this subsection or~~] Subsection (c), the
8 commission shall receive a nonrefundable fee for each examination
9 or seminar registration. [~~If the examination is administered by a
10 testing service, the testing service may administer the examination
11 before the commission receives the fee. A testing service that
12 administers an examination shall collect a nonrefundable fee for
13 the examination before the examination is administered and shall
14 forward the fee to the commission not later than the fifth business
15 day after the date the testing service receives the fee.]~~

16 SECTION 3. Sections 116.034(e) and (f), Natural Resources
17 Code, are amended to read as follows:

18 (e) If the examination is graded or reviewed by a testing or
19 proctoring service:

20 (1) the commission shall notify the person of the
21 results of the examination not later than the 14th day after the
22 date the commission receives the results from the testing or
23 proctoring service; and

24 (2) if notice of the examination results will be
25 delayed for longer than 90 days after the examination date, the
26 commission shall notify the person of the reason for the delay
27 before the 90th day.

1 (f) The commission may require a testing or proctoring
2 service to notify a person of the results of the person's
3 examination.

4 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1582 passed the Senate on April 29, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1582 passed the House on May 25, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor