

1-1 By: Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 1237
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2025;
1-3 May 8, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
1-4 Resources; May 15, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;
1-6 May 15, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Birdwell	X			
1-10	Zaffirini	X			
1-11	Alvarado	X			
1-12	Blanco	X			
1-13	Flores	X			
1-14	Hancock	X			
1-15	Hughes	X			
1-16	Parker	X			
1-17	Sparks	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1237 By: Zaffirini

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

1-21 relating to the renewal by the Texas Commission on Environmental
1-22 Quality of certain expired occupational licenses and
1-23 registrations.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 37.006, Water Code, is amended by
1-26 amending Subsections (f) and (g) and adding Subsection (h) to read
1-27 as follows:

1-28 (f) A person whose license or registration has been expired
1-29 for not more than 90 ~~[30]~~ days ~~[or less]~~ may apply for renewal of the
1-30 license or registration by paying to the commission a renewal fee in
1-31 an amount prescribed by commission rule not to exceed 1-1/2 times
1-32 the normally required renewal fee. Notwithstanding Subsection (e),
1-33 a person who has applied for renewal of the license or registration
1-34 under this subsection may engage in activities that require a
1-35 license or registration after the expiration of the license or
1-36 registration until the license or registration is renewed or
1-37 denied.

1-38 (g) A person whose license or registration has been expired
1-39 for at least 90 days but not more than 180 days may apply for renewal
1-40 of the license or registration by paying to the commission a renewal
1-41 fee in an amount prescribed by commission rule not to exceed two
1-42 times the normally required renewal fee.

1-43 (h) A person whose license or registration has been expired
1-44 for at least 180 days ~~[more than 30 days]~~ may not renew the license
1-45 or registration. The person may obtain a new license or
1-46 registration by complying with the requirements and procedures,
1-47 including the examination requirements, for obtaining an original
1-48 license or registration.

1-49 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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