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1 AN ACT 2 relating to the repeal of certain provisions governing the sale and 3 use of certain refrigerants. Δ BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 1302.059, Occupations Code, is amended 5 6 to read as follows: Sec. 1302.059. MOTOR VEHICLES. This chapter does not apply 7 8 to a person who engages in or employs a person who engages in air conditioning services only on a motor vehicle or <u>an</u> MVAC-like 9 appliance as defined by 40 C.F.R. Section 82.152 [air conditioner]. 10 SECTION 2. Subsection (a), Section 1302.453, Occupations 11 12 Code, is amended to read as follows: 13 (a) A person commits an offense if the person: in 14 (1) knowingly engages air conditioning and 15 refrigeration contracting without holding a license issued under this chapter; or 16 (2) knowingly in air conditioning 17 engages and refrigeration maintenance work without holding a contractor 18 license or technician registration issued under this chapter[; or 19 [(3) purchases a refrigerant or equipment containing a 20 refrigerant in this state in violation of Section 1302.353, 21 22 1302.355, or 1302.356]. 23 SECTION 3. The following provisions of the Occupations Code 24 are repealed:

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Subdivisions (13) and (16), Section 1302.002; 1 (1) 2 (2) Section 1302.051; Subsection (b), Section 1302.452; (3) 3 Subsection (b), Section 1302.453; and 4 (4)

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Subchapter H, Chapter 1302. (5)

SECTION 4. Not later than May 1, 2014, the Texas Commission 6 7 of Licensing and Regulation shall adopt rules necessary to implement the changes in law made by this Act to Chapter 1302, 8 9 Occupations Code.

10 SECTION 5. The repeal by this Act of Subchapter H, Chapter 1302, Occupations Code, and the amendment of Section 1302.453, 11 Occupations Code, do not apply to an offense committed under those 12 laws before the effective date of this Act. An offense committed 13 before the effective date of this Act is governed by those laws as 14 15 they existed on the date the offense was committed, and the former 16 law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this 17 Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date. 18

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 21 22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013. 23

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President of the Senate Speaker of the House I hereby certify that S.B. No. 383 passed the Senate on March 13, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 383 passed the House on May 15, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor