

1-1 By: Goldman, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) H.B. No. 2615
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2017;
1-3 May 5, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Business
1-4 & Commerce; May 15, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the licensing of towing operators and vehicle storage
1-20 facility employees by the Texas Department of Licensing and
1-21 Regulation.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 2303.1015(a), Occupations Code, is
1-24 amended to read as follows:

1-25 (a) A person may not work at a vehicle storage facility
1-26 unless the person holds:

1-27 (1) a license issued under this chapter;

1-28 (2) an incident management towing operator's license
1-29 under Section 2308.153;

1-30 (3) a private property towing operator's license under
1-31 Section 2308.154; or

1-32 (4) a consent towing operator's license under Section
1-33 2308.155.

1-34 SECTION 2. Section 2308.153, Occupations Code, is amended
1-35 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-36 (c) A person holding a license described by this section may
1-37 work at a vehicle storage facility regulated under Chapter 2303.

1-38 SECTION 3. Section 2308.154, Occupations Code, is amended
1-39 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-40 (c) A person holding a license described by this section may
1-41 work at a vehicle storage facility regulated under Chapter 2303.

1-42 SECTION 4. Section 2308.155, Occupations Code, is amended
1-43 by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

1-44 (c) A person holding a license described by this section may
1-45 work at a vehicle storage facility regulated under Chapter 2303.

1-46 SECTION 5. The following provisions of the Occupations Code
1-47 are repealed:

1-48 (1) Section 2303.1016; and

1-49 (2) Section 2308.1521.

1-50 SECTION 6. (a) The changes in law made by this Act do not
1-51 affect the validity of a proceeding pending before a court or other
1-52 governmental entity on the effective date of this Act.

1-53 (b) An offense or other violation of law committed before
1-54 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when
1-55 the offense or violation was committed, and the former law is
1-56 continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this
1-57 subsection, an offense or violation was committed before the
1-58 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense or
1-59 violation occurred before that date.

1-60 SECTION 7. (a) Sections 2308.153(c), 2308.154(c), and
1-61 2308.155(c), Occupations Code, as added by this Act, apply to a

2-1 license issued or renewed before, on, or after the effective date of
2-2 this Act.

2-3 (b) A license issued under Section 2303.1016 or 2308.1521,
2-4 Occupations Code, that is unexpired or eligible for renewal by the
2-5 license holder on the effective date of this Act expires on the
2-6 earlier of:

2-7 (1) the expiration date stated on the license; or

2-8 (2) the date of issuance of a license issued to the
2-9 license holder under Section 2308.153, 2308.154, or 2308.155,
2-10 Occupations Code.

2-11 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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