

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the Texas Engineering Practice Act appears to limit the production of a roster of engineers to a paperback format. Since a vast majority of engineers regularly use the Internet, a higher level of service can be realized by placing the roster online and the number of paperback rosters required to be produced will decrease. H.B. 2300 sets forth provisions to post a roster of engineers on the Internet and authorizes a fee for a physical copy of the roster.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2300 sets forth provisions to post a roster of engineers on the Internet and authorizes a fee for a physical copy of the roster.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 11, Article 3271a, V.T.C.S. (The Texas Engineering Practice Act), as follows:

Sec. 11. New heading: ENGINEER ROSTER. Requires the Texas Board of Professional Engineers (board) to prepare and publish a roster of registered, certified, or enrolled individuals. Sets forth information required to be in the roster. Requires the board to make the roster available for free online. Requires the board to provide a physical copy of the roster and authorizes a fee for shipping and a copy of the roster. Deletes text regarding professional engineers, a roster, and makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.