

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Under current law, an instruction permit expires on the driver's license applicant's next birthday after being issued the permit. However, applicants are required by law to hold the instruction permit for six months and some applicants' next birthdays will fall within that six-month period. While these individuals are compelled by current law to return to the Department of Motor Vehicles to renew their instruction permits by their birthday, many applicants believe that their instruction permit expires at the end of the mandatory six-month holding period and, based on this belief, fail to renew the permit and operate with an expired permit after their birthday. H.B. 1032 provides that an instruction permit expires on the second, rather than the first, birthday of the license holder occurring after the date of the application.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 521.271(a), Transportation Code, to provide that an instruction permit expires on the second, rather than the first, birthday of the license holder occurring after the date of the application.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2003.