BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Texas law includes antiquated requirements for a licensed out-of-state chiropractor to obtain a provisional license in Texas. For example, the Texas State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (TBCE) no longer administers a state board exam. Instead, TBCE now requires successful completion of the national board exams prior to application for a license in Texas, in lieu of the state-administered exam. As proposed, S.B. 842 would repeal the antiquated requirements to enable a licensed out-of-state chiropractor to be licensed in Texas upon meeting certain requirements.

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 201.309, Occupations Code, as follows:

Sec. 201.309. New heading: LICENSE ISSUANCE TO CERTAIN OUT OF STATE APPLICANTS. Requires the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners (TBCE) to issue a license to practice chiropractic to an out of state applicant who meets certain qualifications. Adds certain required qualifications and deletes some previous requirements from existing text.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 201.153(b), Occupations Code, to delete the fee for a provisional license from existing text.

SECTION 3. Repealer: Section 201.310, Occupations Code (Issuance of License to Provisional License Holder).

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2003.

Makes application of this Act prospective.