

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Currently, a vehicle storage facility has the ability to set the payment options it will accept for payment of storage fees. Oftentimes, these facilities will only accept a cash payment. The cash policy creates problems for many people.

H.B. 1584 requires a vehicle storage facility or governmental vehicle storage facility to accept payment by electronic check, debit card, or credit card.

### **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 Subchapter D, Chapter 2303, Occupations Code, by adding Section 2303.158, as follows:

Sec. 2303.158. FORMS OF PAYMENT OF CHARGES. (a) Requires the operator of a vehicle storage facility to accept payment by an electronic check, debit card, or credit card for any charge associated with delivery or storage of a vehicle.

(b) Defines "vehicle storage facility."

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2005.