

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, there is large workload in the health care system and having experienced physicians available to practice medicine will benefit all Texans. As proposed, S.B. 184 amends the Occupations Code, so that a physician who is 70 years of age or older would be exempt from paying the medical license renewal fee. This exemption would allow the physician to continue to practice medicine and not have to fully retire.

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 156.002, Occupations Code, by adding Subsection (c), to authorize a physician who is at least 70 years of age to renew the physician's registration permit without paying the fee for renewal of a registration permit.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2005.