

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties have expressed concern regarding a provision of state law that affects the ability of certain holders of motor home manufacturer's and dealer's licenses to continue their operations. The parties illustrate their concerns with the experience of one Texas-based manufacturer and retailer of motor homes, which closed one of its two dealerships due to poor economic conditions. The parties explain that with improving economic conditions, the manufacturer is seeking to reopen a second dealership but is having difficulty because the second dealership license is void based on the interpretation of current law. H.B. 833 seeks to amend the applicable law by clarifying that the manufacturer and retailer of motor homes may have two franchised dealer's licenses.

H.B. 833 authorizes a person who on June 7, 1995, held both a motor home manufacturer's license and a motor home dealer's license, for purposes of the authority to operate as both a manufacturer and dealer of motor homes but of no other type of vehicle, to hold a motor home manufacturer's license, a dealer general distinguishing number issued by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, and not more than two franchised dealer's licenses.

H.B. 833 amends current law relating to certain holders of motor home manufacturer's and dealer's licenses.

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 2301.476(h), Occupations Code, as follows:

(h) Authorizes a person who on June 7, 1995, held both a motor home manufacturer's license and a motor home dealer's license issued under this chapter to:

(1) hold:

(A) a motor home manufacturer's license;

(B) a general distinguishing number issued under Chapter 503 (Dealer's and Manufacturer's Vehicle License Plates), Transportation Code; and

(C) not more than two franchised dealer's licenses; and

(2) operate as both a manufacturer and dealer of motor homes but of no other type of vehicle.

Deletes existing text authorizing a person who on June 7, 1995, held both a motor home manufacturer's license and a motor home dealer's license issued under this chapter to continue to hold both licenses.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2015.