

SUBJECT: Requirements for motor vehicle title service license holders

COMMITTEE: Transportation — committee substitute recommended

VOTE: 8 ayes — Phillips, Darby, Y. Davis, Fletcher, Lavender, Martinez, McClendon, Pickett

0 nays

3 absent — Bonnen, Harper-Brown, Rodriguez

WITNESSES: For — None

Against — None

On — (*Registered, but did not testify:* Steven McCraw, DPS)

BACKGROUND: Under Transportation Code, ch. 520, a motor vehicle title service license holder must maintain records on an approved form made available by the tax assessor-collector for transactions in which compensation was received. The record must include the date of the transaction, the name, age, address, sex, driver's license number, and a legible photocopy of the driver's license of the customer, and the license plate number, vehicle identification number, and proof of insurance for the motor vehicle involved.

DIGEST: CSHB 2389 would amend Transportation Code, sec. 520.057 to require a motor vehicle title service license holder to identify each customer through a valid identification document and maintain in its records a valid identification document number and a legible photocopy of the document.

A valid identification document would be one that contained an identifiable photograph and information on the individual and was a type of document intended or commonly accepted for identifying a person, issued by the federal government or by an agency, institution, or political subdivision of Texas or another state.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.