

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current law requires the comptroller of public accounts (comptroller) to include a statement and a website link on each application for a state tax permit or license issued by the comptroller. Since passage of the law enacting this requirement, the Department of Information Resources has determined that the website links ending in ".gov" instead of those ending in ".com" elicit better consumer feedback. In light of this determination, the comptroller is now including a web address ending in ".gov," rather than ".com," with each permit or license or application it issues. H.B. 328 reflects this change of website addresses.

H.B. 328 amends current law relating to information provided to a person applying for a state tax permit or license.

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 111.00457(a), Tax Code, as follows:

(a) Requires the comptroller of public accounts (comptroller) to include the following statement on each application for a permit or license issued by the comptroller:

WARNING. You may be required to obtain an additional permit or license from the State of Texas or from a local governmental entity to conduct business. A listing of links relating to acquiring licenses, permits, and registrations from the State of Texas is available online at <http://www.Texas.gov>. You may also want to contact the municipality and county in which you will conduct business to determine any local governmental requirements.

Deletes existing text referencing <http://www.TexasOnline.com/portal/tol/en/9/1>.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2011.