CHAPTER 58

H.B. No. 1305

AN ACT relating to the criminal penalty for acting as an agent after suspension or revocation of the agent’s license.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 4005.151(b), Insurance Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) An offense under this section is a felony of the third degree punishable by:

(1) a fine not to exceed $5,000;

(2) imprisonment for a term of not more than two years; or

(3) both fine and imprisonment under this subsection.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 18, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 8, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved May 18, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 59

H.B. No. 1550

AN ACT relating to unemployment compensation chargebacks regarding certain persons who are involuntarily separated from employment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 204.022(a), Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Benefits computed on benefit wage credits of an employee or former employee may not be charged to the account of an employer if the employee’s last separation from the employer’s employment before the employee’s benefit year:

(1) was required by a federal statute;

(2) was required by a statute of this state or an ordinance of a municipality of this state;

(3) would have disqualified the employee under Section 207.044, 207.045, 207.051, or 207.053 if the employment had been the employee’s last work;

(4) imposes a disqualification under Section 207.044, 207.045, 207.051, or 207.053;