CHAPTER 715
H.B. No. 3439
AN ACT
relating to the representation of a property owner by an agent in a property tax matter.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1.11(b), Tax Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) To be effective, a request made under this section must be filed with the appraisal district. A request remains in effect until revoked by a written revocation filed with the appraisal district by the owner or the owner’s designated agent.

SECTION 2. Sections 1.111(c) and (i), Tax Code, are amended to read as follows:

(c) The designation of an agent under this section remains in effect until revoked in a written revocation filed with the appraisal district by the property owner or designated agent. The designated agent revoking the designation must send notice of the revocation by certified mail to the property owner at the owner’s last known address. A designation may be made to expire according to its own terms but is still subject to prior revocation by the property owner or designated agent.

(i) An appraisal review board shall accept and consider a motion or protest filed by an agent of a property owner if an agency authorization is filed at or before the hearing on the motion or protest. [If an appraisal review board designates a time and place for appearance before a hearing, an agency authorization is considered to be filed at or before the hearing if a copy of the authorization is filed at the time and place designated by the board.]

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

Passed by the House on May 8, 2013: Yea 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 22, 2013: Yea 31, Nays 0.

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Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 716
H.B. No. 3483
AN ACT
relating to requirements for a driver education course, the eligibility of persons under 18 years of age to operate a motor vehicle, and the administration of certain driver’s license examinations by home-taught driver education course providers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1001.101, Education Code, as amended by Chapters 1253 (H.B. 339) and 1413 (S.B. 1317), Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1001.101. ADULT AND MINOR DRIVER EDUCATION COURSE CURRICULUM AND TEXTBOOKS. (a) The commissioner by rule shall establish or approve the curriculum and designate the textbooks to be used in a driver education course for minors and adults, including a driver education course conducted by a school district, driver education school, or parent or other individual under Section 521.205, Transportation Code.

(b) A driver education course must require the student to complete:

(1) 7 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in the presence of a person who holds a driver education instructor license or who meets the requirements imposed under Section 521.205, Transportation Code;