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(2) equal biweekly installments if authorized by the commissioners courts in the counties of the court of appeals district.

SECTION 3. Subsection (b), Section 32.001, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The compensation shall be paid [in monthly installments] from the county general fund or other available funds of the county in:

(1) monthly installments; or

(2) biweekly installments if authorized by the commissioners court.

SECTION 4. Subsection (e), Section 43.180, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) The Commissioners Court of Harris County shall pay the district attorney a salary of not less than $35,000 a year. The county salary shall be paid in equal biweekly [monthly] installments.

SECTION 5. Subsection (e), Section 152.904, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) The Commissioners Court of Harris County shall set the annual salary of the county judge at an amount that is not less than $1,000 more than the total annual salary received by county criminal court at law judges in the county. The salary shall be paid in [42] equal biweekly [monthly] installments.

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate on March 27, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 10, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 0, two present not voting.

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CHAPTER 195

S.B. No. 642

AN ACT
relating to the sale of distilled spirits to the holder of an industrial permit.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 14.01, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The holder of a distiller’s and rectifier’s permit may:

(1) manufacture distilled spirits;

(2) rectify, purify, and refine distilled spirits and wines;

(3) mix wines, distilled spirits, or other liquors;

(4) bottle, label, and package the permit holder’s finished products;

(5) sell the finished products in this state to holders of wholesaler’s permits and to qualified persons outside the state;

(6) import distilled spirits, to be used only for manufacturing or rectification purposes, from holders of nonresident seller’s permits; [and]

(7) dispense free distilled spirits for consumption on the permitted premises; and

(8) sell bulk alcohol produced by the permit holder to holders of industrial permits in this state.

SECTION 2. Chapter 14, Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended by adding Section 14.05 to read as follows:

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Sec. 14.05. REPORT OF CERTAIN SALES. A holder of a distiller's and rectifier's permit who sells distilled spirits to a holder of an industrial permit under Section 14.01(a)(8) shall keep records of those sales in a manner prescribed by the commission or administrator.

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

Passed the Senate on March 13, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 10, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 0, two present not voting.

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Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 196

S.B. No. 764

AN ACT
relating to a limitation on liability for prescribed burning conducted on agricultural or conservation land.

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

SECTION 1. Section 153.081, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 153.081. LIMITATION OF OWNER LIABILITY. (a) Subject to Section 153.082, an owner, lessee, or occupant of agricultural or conservation land is not liable for property damage or for injury or death to persons caused by or resulting from prescribed burning conducted on the land owned by, leased by, or occupied by the person if the prescribed burning is conducted under the supervision of a certified and insured prescribed burn manager.

(b) This section does not apply to an owner, lessee, or occupant of agricultural or conservation land who is a certified and insured prescribed burn manager and conducts a burn on that land.

(c) In this section, "agricultural or conservation land" means land that is located in this state and that is suitable for:

(1) use and production of plants and fruits for human or animal consumption or plants grown for the production of fibers, floriculture, viticulture, horticulture, or planting seed;

(2) forestry and the growing of trees for the purpose of rendering those trees into lumber, fiber, or other items used for industrial, commercial, or personal consumption;

(3) domestic or native farm or ranch animals kept for use or profit; or

(4) management of native or exotic wildlife; or

(5) conservation or management of an ecosystem, a forest, a habitat, a species, water, or wildlife.

SECTION 2. Section 153.082, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 153.082. INSURANCE. The limitation on liability under Section 153.081 does not apply to an owner, lessee, or occupant of agricultural or conservation land unless:

(1) the certified and insured prescribed burn manager conducting a burn on the land has liability insurance coverage:

(A) [44] of at least $1 million for each single occurrence of bodily injury or death, or injury to or destruction of property; and

(B) [22] with a policy period minimum aggregate limit of at least $2 million; or

(2) the owner, lessee, or occupant is a governmental unit, as that term is defined by Section 2959.001, Government Code, that has a self-insurance program that provides the amount of coverage required by Subdivision (1).

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If