(2) the individual is a nonresident of this state;
(3) the individual is licensed as a surplus lines agent in the individual's state of residence;
(4) the individual is not required by the individual's state of residence to hold a general property and casualty agent license to become licensed as a surplus lines agent;
(5) the individual has provided information acceptable to the commissioner that the individual's state of residence does not require a general property and casualty agent license for a surplus lines agent license;
(6) the individual's state of residence does not require a surplus lines agent to search for the availability of insurance in the individual's state of residence before the insurance is placed through a surplus lines agent;
(7) the individual's state of residence allows a licensed general property and casualty agent to search for the availability of insurance in the individual's state of residence before the insurance is placed through a surplus lines agent;
(8) the individual has a professional relationship with, and each transaction is conducted through, a person who:
   (A) is a licensed general property and casualty agent in this state or in the state of each transaction; and
   (B) searches for the availability of insurance in this state before the insurance is placed through a surplus lines agent; and
(9) each transaction complies with the laws of the state in which it occurs.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to a license application submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. A license application submitted before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.

Passed the Senate on March 27, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0; the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 22, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House, with amendment, on May 17, 2013: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.
Effective January 1, 2014.

CHAPTER 563
S.B. No. 699
AN ACT
relating to the contents of an assumed name certificate filed by certain businesses or professionals.

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

SECTION 1. Section 71.102, Business & Commerce Code, is amended to read as follows:
Sec. 71.102. CONTENTS OF CERTIFICATE. The certificate must state:
   (1) the assumed name under which the business is or is to be conducted or the professional service is or is to be rendered;
   (2) the registrant's name as stated in the registrant's certificate of formation or application filed with the office of the secretary of state or other comparable document;
   (3) the state, country, or other jurisdiction under the laws of which the registrant was incorporated or organized [and the registrant's registered or similar office address in that state, country, or jurisdiction];
   (4) the period, not to exceed 10 years, during which the registrant will use the assumed name;
   (5) a statement specifying that the registrant is:
(A) a for-profit corporation, nonprofit corporation, professional corporation, professional association, or other type of corporation;
(B) a limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company; or
(C) another type of incorporated business, professional or other association, or legal entity, foreign or domestic;
(6) the street or mailing address of:
(A) the registrant's principal office in this state or outside this state, as applicable;
(B) if the registrant is not required to or does not maintain a registered office in this state:
(i) the registrant's office in this state; and
(ii) the registrant's place of business in this state and any office of the registrant outside this state, if the registrant is not incorporated or organized under the laws of this state; and
(7) the county or counties in this state where the registrant is or will be conducting business or rendering professional services under the assumed name.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a certificate filed on or after the effective date of this Act.

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 17, 2013: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.
Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 564
S.B. No. 701
AN ACT
relating to a defense to prosecution for criminal trespass.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (e), Section 30.05, Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:
(e) It is a defense to prosecution under this section that the actor at the time of the offense was:
(1) a firefighter or emergency medical services personnel, as defined by Section 773.003, Health and Safety Code, acting in the lawful discharge of an official duty under exigent circumstances;
(2) a person who was:
(A) an employee or agent of:
(i) an electric utility, as defined by Section 31.002, Utilities Code;
(ii) a telecommunications provider, as defined by Section 51.002, Utilities Code;
(iii) a video service provider or cable service provider, as defined by Section 66.002, Utilities Code;
(iv) a gas utility, as defined by Section 101.003, Utilities Code, which for the purposes of this subsection includes a municipally owned utility as defined by that section; (v) a gas utility, as defined by Section [or] 121.001, Utilities Code; [or]
(vi) [or] a pipeline used for the transportation or sale of oil, gas, or related products; or