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(vii) an electric cooperative or municipally owned utility, as defined by Section 11.003, Utilities Code; and
(B) performing a duty within the scope of that employment or agency; or
(3) a person who was:
(A) employed by or acting as agent for an entity that had, or that the person reasonably believed had, effective consent or authorization provided by law to enter the property; and
(B) performing a duty within the scope of that employment or agency.

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 the Senate on April 4, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 20, 2013: Yeas 147, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 565

S.B. No. 702

AN ACT
relating to certified and insured prescribed burn managers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 153.046, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:
Sec. 153.046. DUTIES. The board shall:
(1) establish standards for prescribed burning;
(2) develop a comprehensive training curriculum for certified and insured prescribed burn managers;
(3) establish standards for certification, recertification, and training for certified and insured prescribed burn managers;
(4) establish minimum education and professional requirements for instructors for the approved curriculum; and
(5) establish [minimum] insurance requirements for certified and insured prescribed burn managers in amounts not less than those required by Section 153.082.

SECTION 2. The heading to Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:
Sec. 153.048. CERTIFIED AND INSURED [CERTIFICATION OF] PRESCRIBED BURN MANAGERS.

SECTION 3. Subsections (a) and (b), Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, are amended to read as follows:
(a) Minimum standards established by the board for certification as a certified and insured prescribed burn manager must require the completion of the approved training curriculum to be developed and promulgated by the board and taught by an approved instructor.
(b) The board shall certify a person as a certified and insured prescribed burn manager if the person:
(1) applies to the board for certification;
(2) demonstrates completion of an approved training program by an approved instructor; and
(3) pays a fee to the board in an amount determined by the board; and
(4) meets the insurance requirements established by the board under Section 153.046.

SECTION 4. Subsection (f), Section 352.081, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) This section does not apply to outdoor burning activities:

(1) related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas [Natural Resource Conservation] Commission on Environmental Quality for:
   (A) firefighter training;
   (B) public utility, natural gas pipeline, or mining operations; or
   (C) planting or harvesting of agriculture crops; or

(2) that are conducted by a certified and insured prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

SECTION 5. Not later than November 1, 2013, the Prescribed Burning Board shall establish insurance requirements under Section 153.046, Natural Resources Code, as amended by this Act.

SECTION 6. 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 131, Nays 3, two present not voting.

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Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 566
S.B. No. 718
AN ACT
relating to voluntary and involuntary mental health services.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Chapter 572, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 572. VOLUNTARY [INPATIENT] MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

SECTION 2. Section 572.001, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a), (c), and (d) and adding Subsections (a-1) and (c-1) to read as follows:

(a) A person 16 years of age or older [or a person younger than 16 years of age who is or has been married] may request admission to an inpatient mental health facility or for outpatient mental health services by filing a request with the administrator of the facility where [to which] admission or outpatient treatment is requested. The parent, managing conservator, or guardian of a person younger than 18 years of age [who is not and has not been married] may request the admission of the person to an inpatient mental health facility or for outpatient mental health services by filing a request with the administrator of the facility where [to which] admission or outpatient treatment is requested.

(a-1) Except as provided by Subsection (c), an inpatient mental health facility may admit or provide services to a person 16 years of age or older and younger than 18 years of age if the person's parent, managing conservator, or guardian consents to the admission or services, even if the person does not consent to the admission or services.