

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, a person is prohibited from operating a vehicle storage facility unless the person holds a current license to operate a vehicle storage facility issued to the person by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Recently, motor vehicle dealerships have chosen to sub-contract with other entities when storing vehicles. This bill prohibits a person from operating a vehicle storage facility for the storage of vehicles owned by a motor vehicle dealer unless the person holds a current license issued by TxDOT.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 946 prohibits certain persons from operating a vehicle storage facility.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 3 and 5, Article 6687-9a, V.T.C.S. (Vehicle Storage Facility Act), to prohibit a person from operating a vehicle storage facility for the storage of vehicles owned by a motor vehicle dealer unless the person holds a current license to operate a vehicle storage facility issued to the person by the Texas Department of Transportation. Defines "motor vehicle dealer."

SECTION 2. (a) Effective date: September 1, 1997.

(b) Provides that a person that operated a storage facility for vehicles owned by a motor vehicle dealer is not required to obtain a vehicle storage license under Section 5(b), Article 6687-9a, V.T.C.S., as added by this Act, until January 1, 1998.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.