

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Chapter 22 of the Tax Code requires an annual rendition for taxation of all tangible personal property used for the production of income. For businesses in the service industry, inventory often remains unchanged from year to year. H.B. 818 allows such a person to comply with rendition requirements by filing a rendition statement on a form prescribed by the comptroller of public accounts.

H.B. 818 further requires the comptroller's form under Section 22.24(c) of the Tax Code to include a box that the property owner may check to permit the property owner to affirm that the information contained in the most recent rendition statement filed by the property owner in a prior tax year is accurate with respect to the current tax year.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 22.01, Tax Code, by adding Subsection (k), as follows:

(k) Authorizes a person, if the information contained in the most recent rendition statement filed by the person in a prior tax year is accurate with respect to the current tax year, to comply with the requirements of Subsection (a) by filing a rendition statement on a form prescribed or approved by the comptroller of public accounts (comptroller) under Section 22.24(c) (Rendition and Report Forms) on which the person has checked the appropriate box to affirm that the information continues to be accurate.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 22.24(c), Tax Code, as follows:

(c) Requires each form to include a box that the property owner may check to permit the property owner to affirm that the information contained in the most recent rendition statement filed by the property owner in a prior tax year is accurate with respect to the current tax year in accordance with Section 22.01(k).

SECTION 3. (a) Requires the comptroller as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, but not later than January 1, 2006, to prescribe or approve the forms required by Section 22.24(c), Tax Code, as amended by this Act.

(b) Makes application of this Act prospective to January 1, 2006.

SECTION 4. (a) Effective date: September 1, 2005, except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Provides that Section 1 of this Act takes effect January 1, 2006.