

1 AN ACT

2 relating to an exemption from the structural pest control license  
3 requirement for certain falconers.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 1951, Occupations Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 1951.057 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 1951.057. FALCONERS. (a) This chapter does not apply  
8 to a person engaged in falconry, as defined by Section 49.001, Parks  
9 and Wildlife Code, who:

10 (1) is the holder of a falconer's permit as provided by  
11 Chapter 49, Parks and Wildlife Code; and

12 (2) uses a raptor to control or relocate other birds.

13 (b) A person described by Subsection (a) is not considered  
14 to be engaged in the business of structural pest control.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Rand Newkirk

President of the Senate

John Stammers

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 693 was passed by the House on March 26, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Robert Haney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 693 was passed by the Senate on May 21, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 19 JUN '09

Date

RICK PERRY

Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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