



**Provisional Work Authority Clean Up  
HB 1073 by Smithee/SB 520 by Creighton**

**Background**

The Texas Legislature passed HB 2145 last session, creating a 90-day provisional work authority for individuals who have passed the state's insurance agent licensure exam and submitted fingerprints for criminal background reviews. This measure offers a solution to periodic application review backlogs and supports those individuals seeking to contribute to the state's economy and society as licensed insurance agents under the laws of Texas.

The current law applies to applicants for a general life and health agent license under Chapter 4054, Subchapter A, a preneed funeral arrangement license under Chapter 4054, Subchapter D, a stipulated premium license under Chapter 4054, Subchapter E, a general property and casualty license under Chapter 4051, Subchapter B, and a county mutual agent license under Chapter 4051, Subchapter E.

**Purpose of HB 1073/SB 520**

The bill creating the provisional work authority last session inadvertently left out the Life-Only license type. This bill would simply add Subchapter G, Chapter 4054 of the Texas Insurance Code to the list of applicable license types.