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Bill Analysis

SB 1284 provides that personal records relating to licensing shall not be made available to the public. The measure provides that no person may perform as an exotic dancer in the state without first obtaining a valid exotic entertainer license issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission. The measure establishes an annual license fee to perform exotic dances at \$30.00 and also establishes a \$1,000.00 annual license fee for the Exotic Entertainer Business License. The measure further provides for a surcharge fee of \$3.00 and \$1,000.00 to be levied on the Exotic Entertainer License and the Exotic Entertainer Business License respectively. The license shall be renewed annually. Applicants must be a citizen of the United States, be at least 21 years of age, provide verified proof of identity, and not have been convicted of a felony relating to human trafficking, indecent exposure, or prostitution. Owners and operators shall be required to only employ licensed individuals and to maintain a physical or digital copy of the entertainer's license on the premises. Such records shall be maintained for a period of 12 months following the exotic entertainer's last performance on the premises. Such records shall be kept confidential.

Any person found to have performed without a license shall be guilty of misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to \$500.00 and/or imprisonment in the county jail for up to 1 year. The license shall be suspended for a period of 1 year upon conviction. A second and subsequent violations shall subject the person to an administrative fine of \$1,000.00 per offense as well as the suspension of all business licenses issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission for a period of 12 months. Exotic entertainer businesses shall be subject to a fine of \$5,000.00 per offense and \$10,000.00 per offense for second and subsequent violations. The business shall also be subject to a 12-month license suspension. Any operator who knowingly violates the provisions of this measure shall be guilty of a felony subject to a maximum \$1,000.00 fine and/or a term of imprisonment of 2-5 years. Such a person shall be permanently barred from owning or operating a sexually oriented business in the state.

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