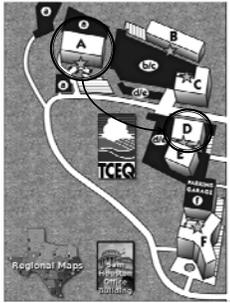


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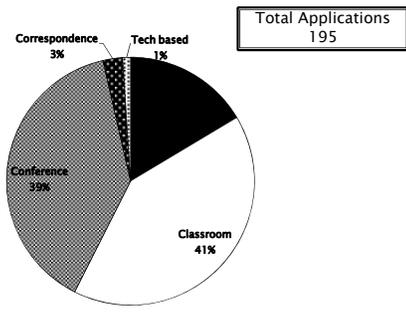
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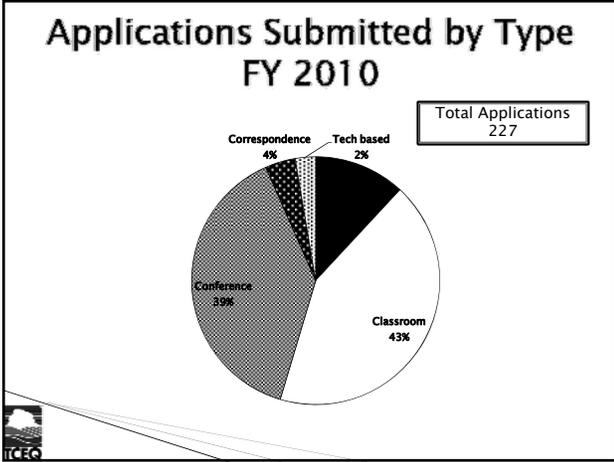


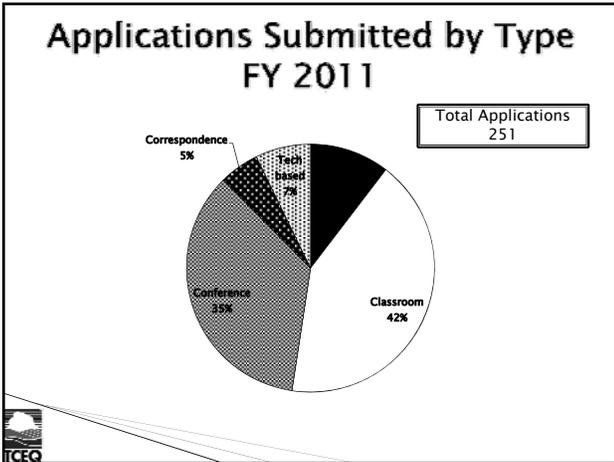
Occupational Licensing Move



Applications Submitted by Type FY 2009







Legislation

- ▶ **SB 867** – reasonable exam accommodations to an examinee diagnosed with dyslexia.
- ▶ **SB 1733** – requires the TCEQ to adopt rules for the issuance of a license to an applicant who is the spouse of a person serving on active duty as a member of the armed forces of the United States, provided the applicant can demonstrate competency for the license.

Legislation

- ▶ **HB 965** – requires the TCEQ to accept internet based continuing education. Provide a way for certain license holders (Class 'A' and 'B' Water and Wastewater Operators) to certify at the time their license is renewed that they have complied with the commission's continuing education requirements.
- ▶ **HB 1674** – authorizes TCEQ to refuse to accept a new or renewal application if the applicant has failed to pay child support for six months or more.





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- ▶ Anonymous Tip in January 2011
- ▶ Cheat Sheet
- ▶ C Distribution Exam
- ▶ Crystal Report
- ▶ 37 Individuals Suspected of Using Cheat Sheet



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- ▶ Voided Test Session
- ▶ Letter of Intent to Deny – License Not Issued
 - State Office of Administrative Hearings SOAH Option
- ▶ Letter of Intent to Revoke – License Issued
 - Volunteer to Relinquish License or
 - Formal Enforcement Procedures



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- ▶ Allowed a retest with the same C Distribution exam with jumbled questions
- ▶ Reformatted exam and destroyed all old copies
- ▶ New C Distribution Exam now available



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▶ **New Policy**

- No Hats
- No Sunglasses
- No Cell Phones
- No Radios or Two Way Pagers
- No Programmable Calculators
- No Outside Materials on Desk



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▶ **Currently Available**

- Austin
- Dallas / Fort Worth
- San Antonio
- Houston
- Waco

▶ All regional offices are moving towards online registration

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Questions?