



## **Support HB 3280**

### **Abolish Unnecessary Licensing Requirements for Small Flower & Plant Growers**

Cut flowers or potted plants add a lot of attraction to a farmers' market and can provide a nice secondary revenue stream for produce growers. But even the smallest producer currently has to apply for a permit from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) as if there were a commercial nursery. Moreover, the nursery permits are based on the number of "events," so people selling flowers at weekly farmers' markets for even a single season pay a significant amount.

That event-based fee creates significant hassle in terms of paperwork, as well as expense for someone who is growing just a small amount of cut flowers or potted herbs as a side business.

**HB 3280** would exempt individuals who sell less than \$25,000 annually in florist and nursery items from the licensing requirements

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