

Ortiz Steven L  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Ortiz Steven L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE,  
 INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE,  
 SUITE 200

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/06/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 162,689   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/07/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 43,750  | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                    | 01/07/2012                           |  | F                              |   | 12,020  | D  | \$ 15.24  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |        |     | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |        |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--------|-----|--|-----------------|---|--------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                | V   | (A)    | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |        |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | <u>(1)</u>   | 01/06/2012                           |  | <u>A</u> <sup>(2)</sup>        |   | 60,000 |     | <u>(3)</u>   | <u>(3)</u>      | Common Stock  | 60,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | <u>(1)</u>   | 01/06/2012                           |  | <u>A</u> <sup>(2)</sup>        |   | 60,000 |     | <u>(4)</u>   | <u>(4)</u>      | Common Stock  | 60,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | <u>(1)</u>   | 01/06/2012                           |  | <u>A</u> <sup>(2)</sup>        |   | 60,000 |     | <u>(5)</u>   | <u>(5)</u>      | Common Stock  | 60,000 |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | <u>(1)</u>   | 01/07/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 43,750 |     | <u>(6)</u>   | <u>(6)</u>      | Common Stock  | 43,750 |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | <u>(1)</u>   |                                      |  |                                |   |        |     | <u>(3)</u>   | <u>(3)</u>      | Common Stock  | 50,000 |
| Option to Purchase                         | \$ 8.75  |                                      |  |                                |   |        |     | 10/04/2005   | 10/04/2014      | Common Stock  | 7,500  |
| Option to Purchase                         | \$ 8.75  |                                      |  |                                |   |        |     | 10/04/2005   | 10/04/2014      | Common Stock  | 2,500  |
| Option to Purchase                         | \$ 8.75  |                                      |  |                                |   |        |     | 10/08/2005   | 10/08/2014      | Common Stock  | 5,000  |
| Option to Purchase                         | \$ 8.75  |                                      |  |                                |   |        |     | 10/08/2006   | 10/08/2014      | Common Stock  | 5,000  |
| Option to Purchase                         | \$ 8.75  |                                      |  |                                |   |        |     | 10/08/2007   | 10/08/2014      | Common Stock  | 17,500 |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Ortiz Steven L  
C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC.  
6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, SUITE 200  
LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

Chief Operating Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Celia Catlett, by Power of  
Attorney

01/09/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.
  - (2) Grant of restricted stock units pursuant to the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan.
  - (3) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2013. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2013, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
  - (4) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2014. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2014, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
  - (5) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2015. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2015, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
  - (6) The restricted stock units vested on January 7, 2012. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2012.

### Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 -- Power of Attorney of Steve Ortiz

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