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TO: Honorable Kip Averitt, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1665 by Averitt (Relating to regulation of emissions from residential water heaters.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would prohibit the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) from adopting a rule, determination, or order relating to residential water heater emissions below 40 nanograms of nitrogen oxides (NO_x) per joule unless federal law establishes a lower standard. The section repeals any TCEQ rule existing on or before the bill's effective date that is related to emissions specifications for residential water heaters more stringent than the 40 nanograms of NO_x per joule standard.

Administrative requirements for the TCEQ resulting from the bill's passage would not be significant.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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