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TO: Honorable Burt R. Solomons, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: HB1655 by Anchia (Relating to the rights of distributed renewable generation owners and certain parties who provide distributed renewable generation to retail electric customers.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Public Utility Commission (PUC) to adopt rules that do not require a distributed renewable generation owner or a person who contracts with a customer to install or maintain distributed renewable generation on the customer's side of the meter to register as a self-generator. The bill would also require the PUC to adopt rules to establish a minimum rate at which an electric utility or retail electric provider shall purchase surplus electricity produced by distributed renewable generation.

The PUC anticipates any additional work resulting from the passage of the bill could be reasonably absorbed within current resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 473 Public Utility Commission of Texas

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