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TO: Honorable Jim Keffer, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

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

IN RE: HB2210 by Anchia (Relating to efficiency standards for certain appliances; providing a civil penalty.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2210, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2011.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0
2013	\$0
2014	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>Texas Emissions Reduction Plan</i> 5071
2010	(\$125,241)
2011	(\$62,620)
2012	(\$62,620)
2013	(\$62,620)
2014	(\$62,620)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code, regarding appliance efficiency standards and directs the Comptroller to adopt rules establishing efficiency standards and directs the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to work with the Energy Systems Laboratory at the Texas Engineering Experiment Station to ensure the emission reductions are achieved.

Methodology

The bill would direct the Comptroller to adopt rules establishing efficiency standards for a specified list of electric appliances and devices and providing for product testing, certification, labeling, inspection, and enforcement. The Comptroller's office indicates that any administrative costs associated with implementation of the bill would not be significant.

The bill would also direct the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to work with the

Energy Systems Laboratory at the Texas Engineering Experiment Station to ensure the emission reductions achieved by this bill are credited to the appropriate objectives in the state implementation plan. The Energy Systems Laboratory indicates that in order to accomplish the provisions of the bill it would require a one-time expenditure of \$51,522 in fiscal year 2010 out of GR-Dedicated Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Account No. 5071 for staff programming costs. In addition, the Energy Systems Laboratory would require \$73,719 in fiscal year 2010 for staff time, travel expenses, and other operating costs. The agency would then require \$62,620 in fiscal year 2011 and beyond for staff time and other operating costs.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 302 Office of the Attorney General, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality, 712 Texas Engineering Experiment Station

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