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TO: Honorable Troy Fraser, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

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IN RE: HB2238 by Hamilton (Relating to relating to the regulation of manufactured housing.),
Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Occupations Code, relating to the regulation of manufactured housing. The bill would allow the executive director of the manufactured housing division of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to waive any fee under this chapter in a state disaster area declared by the Governor. The bill would remove the issuance of probationary licenses and require that all licenses be valid for two years. The bill would change the renewal license expiration date from the first anniversary of the date of issuance to the second anniversary and change the annual fee payment to a "required" fee payment for license renewal.

According to the analysis provided by the Comptroller, the Manufactured Housing Division of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) states that there are currently 3,173 active license holders with varying renewal dates. Since the bill would change the renewal payment from an annual fee according to the type of license to a "required" fee, the specified time for payment would be at the discretion of TDCHA. Based on the analysis of TDHCA, it is assumed duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 332 Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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