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TO: Honorable Allan Ritter, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

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

IN RE: HB2698 by Chisum (Relating to the renewal of certain expired licenses or registrations.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would extend the grace period for renewing expired occupational licenses and registrations administered by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) from 30 to 60 days and repeal the current limit on renewal fees for expired licenses (1-1/2 times the normally required renewal fee).

The TCEQ reports that it currently does not charge more for expired licenses than it does for unexpired licenses. Therefore, no impact to revenue is expected as a result of the bill's passage. Any administrative costs to the agency in extending the renewal grace period are expected to be absorbed within the agency's existing budget.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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