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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

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

IN RE: HB2895 by Hancock (relating to compliance with federal occupational safety and health standards in environmental enforcement.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would provide that a violation did not occur if a person can establish that an act or event that otherwise would be a violation of a statute within the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ) jurisdiction or a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the TCEQ under such a statute was caused solely by compliance with the general duty clause of the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

The bill is not expected to have a significant impact on the TCEQ's workload.

Local Government Impact

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

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