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TO: Honorable Edmund Kuempel, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

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

IN RE: HB4323 by Chisum (Relating to the regulation of multipurpose residential fire protection sprinkler specialists by the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB4323, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2011.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

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 Revenue Gain from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	Probable (Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1
2010	\$5,000	(\$5,000)
2011	\$0	\$0
2012	\$0	\$0
2013	\$0	\$0
2014	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Occupations Code to authorize the regulation of multipurpose residential fire protection sprinkler specialists by the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners (TSBPE). The bill would require the multipurpose residential fire protection sprinkler specialists to be licensed through TSBPE by passing an examination and paying a fee to TSBPE. The bill would require the licensee to seek renewal of the license every three years and pay a renewal fee to TSBPE. The bill would require TSBPE to adopt rules to implement the provisions of this bill.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2009.

Methodology

Based on analysis provided by TSBPE, it is anticipated that creating the new license and examination will have a one-time cost of \$5,000 in FY2010. It is anticipated that the revenue from the new examination fee and new license fees will offset these one-time costs.

Since TBPE is required to covers its cost of operation, this analysis assumes that any increase in revenue resulting from the implementation of the provisions of this bill would be offset by the agency decreasing the amount of fee-generated general revenue it collects.

Technology

No technology impact is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 456 Board of Plumbing Examiners

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