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TO: Honorable Joe Deshotel, Chair, House Committee on Business & Industry

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

IN RE: HB1347 by Hughes (Relating to a refund of registration fees paid by home builders to the Texas Residential Construction Commission.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1347, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$600,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2013.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2012	(\$300,000)
2013	(\$300,000) (\$300,000)
2014	(\$300,000)
2015	\$0
2016	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Revenue Gain/(Loss) from General Revenue Fund 1
2012	(\$300,000)
2013	(\$300,000)
2014	(\$300,000)
2015	\$0
2016	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would require the Comptroller to refund a prorated amount of a fee that was paid by a builder to the Texas Residential Construction Commission (TRCC) for an original or renewed certificate of registration that did not expire before September 1, 2009.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2011.

Methodology

TRCC was abolished in 2009 and ceased operations on August 31,2010. In the agency's last months the fee for home builder original or renewal certificates of registration was pro-rated for the period TRCC would remain in operation. However some certificates of registration were not pro-rated due to the ability of home builders to send in renewals or applications in advance. Refunds required by the bill's provisions would be \$300,000 annually through fiscal 2014, at which time refunds would cease.

This analysis assumes that any 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.

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