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TO: Honorable Wayne Smith, Chair, House Committee on Licensing & Administrative Procedures

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2173 by Walle (Relating to the licensing of air conditioning and refrigeration technicians.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Occupations Code relating to the licensing of air conditioning and refrigeration technicians.

The proposed rule changes could have a fiscal impact on higher education as technicians enroll in air conditioning and refrigeration-related programs at community and technical colleges, as well as in air conditioning engineering, refrigeration technology or engineering, or mechanical engineering programs in universities. Based on information provided by the Department of Licensing and Regulation, Board of Professional Engineers, Texas A&M University System, University of Texas System, and Higher Education Coordinating Board, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 452 Department of Licensing and Regulation, 460 Board of Professional Engineers, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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