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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2806 by Geren (Relating to delinquent payment of an alcoholic beverage retailer's account for liquor.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2806, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$269,190) through the biennium ending August 31, 2015.

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	
2014	(\$144,855)	
2015	(\$124,335)	
2016	(\$139,188)	
2017	(\$139,188)	
2018	(\$139,188)	

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2013
2014	(\$144,855)	3.0
2015	(\$124,335)	3.0
2016	(\$139,188)	3.0
2017	(\$139,188)	3.0
2018	(\$139,188)	3.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Alcoholic Beverage Code relating to delinquent payment of an alcoholic beverage retailer's account for liquor. The bill would require the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) to publish electronically, as soon as practical after the 10th and 25th day of each month, a list of retailers reported to TABC by a wholesale dealer as being delinquent in payments for liquor purchases since the previous list was published. TABC would be required to electronically publish and maintain a list of retailers ineligible to purchase liquor due to this delinquency. TABC would also be required to immediately remove any retailer from the list after receiving proof that the retailer's account is paid in full.

This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Methodology

TABC would hire 3 additional employees to enter the delinquencies and payments into the system and determine which delinquencies have been resolved. These would be classified as Accounts Examiner I positions. The starting salary for an Accounts Examiner I is \$30,804 annually. The salary estimate increases to \$34,620 in fiscal year 2016. Additional costs are for equipment, employee benefits, and various operating expenses.

Technology

Programming costs could be absorbed within the existing resources of the agency.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 458 Alcoholic Beverage Commission **LBB Staff:** UP, RB, AI, KNi