

1-1 By: Paddie (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) H.B. No. 3257  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 24, 2017;  
 1-3 May 5, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Business  
 1-4 & Commerce; May 15, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Hancock	X			
1-8 Creighton	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Estes	X			
1-11 Nichols	X			
1-12 Schwertner	X			
1-13 Taylor of Galveston			X	
1-14 Whitmire	X			
1-15 Zaffirini	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the regulation and inspection of boilers.  
 1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
 1-21 SECTION 1. Section 755.001(17), Health and Safety Code, is  
 1-22 amended to read as follows:  
 1-23 (17) "Portable ~~[power]~~ boiler" means a boiler  
 1-24 primarily intended for use at a temporary location.  
 1-25 SECTION 2. Section 755.022(a), Health and Safety Code, is  
 1-26 amended to read as follows:  
 1-27 (a) This chapter does not apply to:  
 1-28 (1) boilers owned or operated by the federal  
 1-29 government;  
 1-30 (2) pressure vessels or process steam generators,  
 1-31 other than steam collection or liberation drums of process steam  
 1-32 generators;  
 1-33 (3) manually fired miniature boilers that:  
 1-34 (A) are constructed or maintained for  
 1-35 locomotives, boats, tractors, or stationary engines only as a hobby  
 1-36 for exhibition, recreation, education, or historical purposes and  
 1-37 not for commercial use;  
 1-38 (B) have an inside diameter of 12 inches or less  
 1-39 or a grate area of two square feet or less; and  
 1-40 (C) are equipped with a safety valve of adequate  
 1-41 size, a water level indicator, and a pressure gauge;  
 1-42 (4) boilers that are designed for operation only at  
 1-43 atmospheric pressure and that are equipped with two independent  
 1-44 means to prevent the buildup of pressure; ~~[or]~~  
 1-45 (5) steam cookers; or  
 1-46 (6) espresso machines.  
 1-47 SECTION 3. Section 755.025(e), Health and Safety Code, is  
 1-48 amended to read as follows:  
 1-49 (e) The commission by rule shall establish the subsequent  
 1-50 intervals and manner of inspection for a [A] portable ~~[power]~~  
 1-51 boiler ~~[must be inspected externally each time the boiler is moved~~  
 1-52 ~~to a new location and must receive an internal inspection at least~~  
 1-53 ~~annually~~].  
 1-54 SECTION 4. As soon as practicable after the effective date  
 1-55 of this Act, the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation shall  
 1-56 adopt the rules necessary to implement the changes in law made by  
 1-57 this Act.  
 1-58 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-59 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-60 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-61 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2-1 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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