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S.B. No. 477

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a report by the Texas Workforce Commission regarding certain employee issues.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 301, Labor Code, is amended by adding Section 301.0655 to read as follows:

Sec. 301.0655. REPORT ON EMPLOYEE ISSUES. (a) In this section, "labor commissioner" means the member of the commission who is appointed as a representative of labor under Section 301.002.

(b) The commission shall report, not later than January 1 of each odd-numbered year, to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and chairs of the legislative committees with appropriate jurisdiction:

(1) a description of the activities of the commission;
(2) a description of any problems confronted by public and private employees, as determined by the labor commissioner; and
(3) any recommendations for regulatory and legislative action to address any problems identified under Subdivision (2).

(c) The commission may recommend proposed legislation to the legislature that the labor commissioner determines would positively affect the interests of public and private employees.

(d) The commission shall publish the report on the

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1 commission's Internet website.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.