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TO: Honorable Kelly Hancock, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB91** by White (Relating to a review of occupational licensing requirements and an applicant's criminal history.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require all state entities issuing occupational licenses to review requirements relating to applicant criminal history and make recommendations to retain, modify, or repeal the requirements. It is assumed any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed within existing state resources.

The bill would amend the Labor Code relating to criminal history information of employment applicant or employee. The bill would prohibit a political subdivision of the state from adopting or enforcing any ordinance that prohibits, limits, or regulates a private employer's ability to request or consider the criminal history record of an applicant or employee.

The bill would not apply to a political subdivision from enforcing an ordinance or regulating criminal history access if the individual is entering into a contract or receiving a grant.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-third vote in each chamber; otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 362 Texas Lottery Commission, 405 Department of Public Safety, 452 Department of Licensing and Regulation, 503 Texas Medical Board, 537 State Health Services, Department of, 551 Department of Agriculture, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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