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TO: Honorable Chris Turner, Chair, House Committee on Business & Industry

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2130 by Turner, Chris (Relating to the determination of whether work is suitable for an individual for the purpose of determining the individual's unemployment compensation benefit eligibility.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

It is assumed that the costs associated with the bill's provisions relating to the determination of whether work is suitable for an individual for the purpose of determining the individual's unemployment compensation benefit eligibility could be absorbed using existing resources. The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) anticipates this impact would be limited to training and the updating of manuals. TWC anticipates some programming changes, screens for staff computers, and web systems updates will be needed. TWC reports these costs are estimated as minimal and can be absorbed through existing resources.

Based on information provided by TWC, this analysis assumes a minimal increase in the number of claims paid due to enactment of the bill. TWC anticipates that the conditions necessary to trigger the provisions of the bill will be rare in nature. According to TWC, the total anticipated five-year impact to the Unemployment Trust Fund Account is estimated as \$4,560,793.

Note: Fiscal year 2020 data, including the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, are not considered in this estimate. According to TWC, should the effects of COVID-19 continue into fiscal year 2022, the actual impact of this bill, if enacted, may be substantially higher.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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