

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Current law requires the executive director of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Boiler Rules, a ceremonial role that is outdated and inaccurately defines a board majority as five votes, which is incorrect, given that the board comprises 11 members. What's more, the law allows 30 days for boiler certificate inspection reports to be submitted, delaying the notification of potential safety hazards.

S.B. 917 would remove the requirement that the executive director serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Boiler Rules, correct the board voting rule by deleting the inaccurate number comprising a majority, and reduce the report submission window from 30 days to 10 days. These changes would streamline board operations, fix inaccurate voting procedures, and improve public safety through faster reporting.

S.B. 917 amends current law relating to certain boiler inspection reports and the composition and governance of the board of boiler rules.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 755.027(a), Health and Safety Code, as follows:

(a) Requires the inspection agency employing an authorized boiler inspector, not later than the 10th, rather than 30th, day after the date on which a certificate inspection is performed by an authorized inspector, to file a report with the executive director of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (executive director; TDLR) in the manner specified by the executive director.

SECTION 2. Repealer: Section 755.011(d) (relating to providing that TDLR's executive director serves as an ex officio board member of the board of boiler rules), Health and Safety Code.

Repealer: Section 755.018 (Majority Vote Required), Health and Safety Code.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2025.