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H.B. No. 1888

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to an exemption from boiler registration and inspection  
3 requirements for certain boilers in medical equipment and  
4 autoclaves.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 755.022(a), Health and Safety Code, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (a) This chapter does not apply to:

9 (1) boilers owned or operated by the federal  
10 government;

11 (2) pressure vessels or process steam generators,  
12 other than steam collection or liberation drums of process steam  
13 generators;

14 (3) manually fired miniature boilers that:

15 (A) are constructed or maintained for  
16 locomotives, boats, tractors, or stationary engines only as a hobby  
17 for exhibition, recreation, education, or historical purposes and  
18 not for commercial use;

19 (B) have an inside diameter of 12 inches or less  
20 or a grate area of two square feet or less; and

21 (C) are equipped with a safety valve of adequate  
22 size, a water level indicator, and a pressure gauge;

23 (4) boilers that are designed for operation only at  
24 atmospheric pressure and that are equipped with two independent

1 means to prevent the buildup of pressure;

2 (5) steam cookers; [~~or~~]

3 (6) espresso machines;

4 (7) boilers that are a component of a medical device  
5 regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration and are  
6 of a size that does not exceed:

7 (A) an inside shell diameter of 16 inches;

8 (B) 20 square feet of heating surface, unless the  
9 boiler is electric;

10 (C) five cubic feet of gross volume, excluding  
11 the casing and insulation; and

12 (D) an allowable working pressure of 100 pounds  
13 per square inch gauge; or

14 (8) unfired pressure vessels in an autoclave.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.