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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the minimum wage.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 62.051, Labor Code, is amended to read as
- 5 follows:
- 6 Sec. 62.051. MINIMUM WAGE. (a) Except as otherwise
- 7 provided by this section [Section 62.057], an employer shall pay to
- 8 each employee not less than \$18 an hour.
- 9 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), and except as provided
- 10 by Subsection (c), an employer shall pay to each employee not less
- 11 than the greater of:
- 12 (1) the minimum wage established under Subsection (a);
- 13 or
- 14 (2) the amount set as the federal minimum wage under
- 15 Section 6, Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. Section 206)
- 16 plus 25 cents an hour.
- 17 (c) Beginning on October 1, 2026, an employer shall pay to
- 18 <u>an employee not less than the minimum wage established under</u>
- 19 Subsection (d).
- 20 (d) On June 1, 2026, and every year thereafter, the
- 21 commission shall adjust the minimum wage established under
- 22 <u>Subsection (b) for inflation. The adjusted minimum wage rate shall</u>
- 23 be computed to the nearest cent using the consumer price index for
- 24 all urban consumers (CPI-U), as computed by the United States

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- 1 Department of Labor for the preceding 12 months, or an analogous
- 2 index adopted by the commission by rule. The commission by rule
- 3 shall:
- 4 (1) describe the process used in computing inflation
- 5 rates and the procedure for determining the level of inflation used
- 6 in the commission's computations; and
- 7 (2) based on the computations under Subdivision (1),
- 8 set the state minimum wage for the subsequent calendar year.
- 9 (e) This section does not apply to compensation paid to a
- 10 person under Section 62.057.
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 62.151, Labor Code, is repealed.
- 12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.