

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**April 15, 2003**

**TO:** Honorable Kent Grusendorf, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

**FROM:** John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB774** by Dutton (Relating to courses offered to public school students placed in alternative education programs.), **As Introduced**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would require that disciplinary alternative education programs provide a course that is necessary for a student to fulfill high school graduation requirements in a timely manner. The bill would also repeal a provision in current law that specifically states that a school district is not required to provide a course needed to fulfill graduation requirements in a disciplinary alternative education program.

**Local Government Impact**

Because present law explicitly does not obligate a school district to provide a course necessary to fulfill graduation requirements to a student placed in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP), it is quite likely that districts would incur costs associated with providing additional courses to students in DAEP's. To the extent that it is assumed that districts would be allowed a great deal of flexibility in the method of delivery of such courses, costs could be minimized.

**Source Agencies:** 665 Juvenile Probation Commission, 701 Central Education Agency

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