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TO: Honorable Geanie Morrison, Chair, House Committee on Higher Education

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB397 by Bonnen (Relating to providing for a student who qualifies for automatic admission to an institution of higher education to maintain that status for transferring between institutions in certain circumstances.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill requires general academic teaching institutions to admit transfer undergraduate students who meet the following criteria: (1) graduated from high school within four years before the academic year for which the applicant seeks admission, and qualified for automatic admission under the “top 10 percent” law at the time of graduation; (2) first enrolled in an institution of higher education not earlier than the second academic year before the academic year for which the applicant seeks admission; (3) completed the core curriculum at the prior institution with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25; and (4) submitted an application as a transfer student before the deadline established by the institution. Higher education institutions would implement provisions of the bill within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Board of Regents, Texas State University System Central Office, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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