

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: HB2708** by Naishtat (Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds for The University of Texas at Austin.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB2708, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$13,077,684) through the biennium ending August 31, 2007.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2006	(\$6,538,842)
2007	(\$6,538,842)
2008	(\$6,538,842)
2009	(\$6,538,842)
2010	(\$6,538,842)

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable (Cost) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</i> 1
2006	(\$6,538,842)
2007	(\$6,538,842)
2008	(\$6,538,842)
2009	(\$6,538,842)
2010	(\$6,538,842)

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would authorize the issuance of a maximum of \$75,000,000 in revenue bonds by the University of Texas System for The University of Texas at Austin to finance capital improvements for campus fire and life safety upgrades and for the Experimental Science Building.

The bonds would be payable from pledged revenue plus tuition. The bonds would not be general obligations of the State. However, the issued bonds would have fiscal implications for the State. Although tuition income is pledged against the bonds, historically the Legislature has appropriated General Revenue to reimburse institutions for the tuition used to pay the debt service. This policy is assumed to continue.

**Methodology**

It is assumed the bonds would be issued on September 1, 2005, at a 6.0 percent interest rate with a 20-

year debt service amortization. Based on calculations prepared by the University of Texas System, the amount of debt service payments would be \$6,538,842 for fiscal year 2006 and \$6,538,842 for fiscal year 2007. The total estimated amount of debt service (principal and interest) from fiscal year 2006 to fiscal year 2025 is estimated to be \$130,776,840.

### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 352 Bond Review Board, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 347 Public Finance Authority, 758 Board of Regents, Texas State University System Central Office

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