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TO: Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

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

IN RE: SB333 by West, Royce (Relating to the eligibility of a high school graduate for automatic admission to an institution of higher education.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would revise automatic admission requirements under Section 51.803, Education Code to add a requirement that a student graduate under the recommended or advanced high school program unless such coursework was unavailable due to circumstances beyond the student's control. The bill would direct the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) to consult with the Texas Education Agency to adopt rules establishing standards applicable to private high schools. THECB could absorb costs associated with passage of the bill within existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency, 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

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