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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: SB1395 by Shapiro (Relating to the establishment of high school diploma programs by Job Corps training programs under the United States Department of Labor.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would establish high school diploma programs within Job Corps programs operated under contract with the United States Department of Labor.

The bill would authorize a Job Corps high school diploma program to offer a secondary school curriculum, a Texas high school diploma program, and a General Education Development (GED) program.

The bill would require the commissioner to develop and implement an accountability system to assign annual performance ratings to Jobs Corps diploma programs based on factors that must include student performance on secondary exit-level instruments and dropout rates. For purposes of this estimate, it is assumed that either the alternative accountability system could be adapted for this purpose or that a modified system could be established without significant additional cost to the state.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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