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TO: Honorable Rob Eissler, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

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

IN RE: HB1257 by Eissler (Relating to physical activity requirements and physical fitness

assessment for certain public school students.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would affect the operations of the Texas Education Agency but anticipated costs would not rise to significant levels. Costs would be incurred mainly in association with the requirements for collection of aggregated physical fitness assessment data and analysis to correlate the data to academic achievement, attendance, obesity, disciplinary problems, and school meal programs.

Local Government Impact

The Texas Education Agency assumes that physical assessments for students through grade eight can be conducted as part of already designated physical education classes or extracurricular activities. Assessments for high school students who are enrolled in a physical education class or extracurricular activity would be expected to be conducted in like manner.

School districts could experience varying levels of additional workload and associated cost with semiannual assessments of high school students who are not enrolled in physical education class or extracurricular activity. School districts would be anticipated to experience additional cost associated with the collection, summarization and submission of semi-annual physical assessment data. Costs associated with these activities would vary depending upon local practice and the availability of automated processes for data reporting and aggregation.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency

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