

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**

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

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

**IN RE: HB2128** by Murphy (Relating to sexual abuse and child molestation prevention training for certain public or private institutions of higher education employees and volunteers who work at programs for minors.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

Under provisions of the bill, an institution of higher education or a private or independent institution of higher education may not operate a program for minors unless each employee and volunteer of the institution who will be in contact with a participant of the program who is a minor completes a training and examination program on prevention of sexual abuse and child molestation. The employee or volunteer must complete the training and examination program at least once every two years and may satisfy that requirement by completing a program approved by the Department of State Health Services. An institution that operates a program for minors must submit proof of employee and volunteer compliance to the Higher Education Coordinating Board. Institutions of Higher Education would implement provisions of the bill within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 537 State Health Services, Department of, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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