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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: HB2217 by Eissler (Relating to grants for higher education and workforce readiness programs in public schools.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB2217, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$5,086,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2009.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2008	(\$2,468,000)
2009	(\$2,618,000)
2010	(\$2,468,000)
2011	(\$2,468,000)
2012	(\$2,468,000)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</i> 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2007
2008	(\$2,468,000)	1.0
2009	(\$2,618,000)	1.0
2010	(\$2,468,000)	1.0
2011	(\$2,468,000)	1.0
2012	(\$2,468,000)	1.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would allow the Commissioner of Education to award grants to organizations that provide volunteers who teach programs aimed at enhancing college readiness, workforce readiness, dropout prevention, or personal financial literacy. The bill would allow the Commissioner to accept gifts, grants, and donations from public or private entities and would allow for an evaluation of programs funded under the provisions of the bill.

Methodology

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) assumes the programs would serve 80,000 students at 24 sites, each funded with a \$100,000 grant, for total annual statewide grant award of \$2.4 million. TEA estimates that implementation would require 1 additional FTE at a cost of about \$68,000 a year to

administer the grant program and that the evaluation authorized by the bill would cost \$150,000 in FY2009.

Local Government Impact

Participating school districts would receive the volunteer services described by the bill.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency

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