

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**TO:** Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Chair, House Committee on Environmental Regulation

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

**IN RE: HB2608** by Hughes (Relating to funding for applied research for a clean coal project in this state.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill amends the Education Code as it relates to the Advanced Technology Program. The bill specifies that the Higher Education Coordinating Board shall use money available for the purpose from legislative appropriations, including gifts, grants, and donations, to support at one or more eligible institutions applied research related to the development, construction, and operation in this state of a clean coal project, as defined by Section 5.001, Water Code. It is assumed that the Higher Education Coordinating Board will implement the provisions of the bill with current resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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