

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 80TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 16, 2007**

**TO:** Honorable Mike Krusee, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

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

**IN RE: HB3152** by Harper-Brown (Relating to driver training and safety courses for commercial driver's license recipients.), **As Introduced**

<b>Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</b> for HB3152, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$668,848) through the biennium ending August 31, 2009.
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**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2008	(\$349,424)
2009	(\$319,424)
2010	(\$319,424)
2011	(\$319,424)
2012	(\$319,424)

**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	(\$349,424)	6.0
2009	(\$319,424)	6.0
2010	(\$319,424)	6.0
2011	(\$319,424)	6.0
2012	(\$319,424)	6.0

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would create a safe drivers training program for commercial driver's license recipients. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would be required to establish and administer a safe drivers training program for persons seeking a commercial driver's license. TEA would be required to award grants to each person admitted to the program.

The agency could accept gifts, grants, and donations from any source to fund this program. TEA would be required to seek private, local, and federal funding to support the establishment and administration of the program.

The bill would take effect immediately upon passage of the necessary voting margins or September 1, 2007.

## **Methodology**

For the purposes of this fiscal note, it is assumed that gifts, grants, donations, and other private and federal funding would not represent a sufficient or stable revenue stream to support TEA's ongoing administrative expenses, and therefore they are represented as a state cost. However, it is assumed that the gifts, grants and donations the agency does receive would be used to fund grants to program participants under Texas Education Code section 1001.109(d), as added by the bill. TEA estimates that six new positions would be required to implement the program and to engage in fundraising activities, with a cost of \$349,424 in fiscal year 2008 and \$319,424 each year thereafter.

State costs could decrease to the extent that gifts, grants, donations, and other private and federal funding is available to offset the costs assumed by this fiscal note.

## **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 701 Central Education Agency

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