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TO: Honorable Judith Zaffirini, Chair, Senate Committee on S/C on Higher Education

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

IN RE: **SB128** by West, Royce (Relating to the eligibility of a high school graduate for automatic admission to an institution of higher education.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would revise automatic admission requirements under Section 51.803, Education Code to add a requirement that eligibility for automatic enrollment require students to graduate under the recommended or advanced high school program unless such coursework was unavailable due to circumstances beyond the student's control. Students would be considered to have complied with these curriculum requirements if they could not complete the recommended or advanced program due to the lack of courses available at the appropriate times in a student's high school career as a result of course scheduling or lack of enrollment capacity or other cause outside the control of the student.

The bill would direct the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to consult with the Texas Education Agency to adopt rules establishing standards applicable to private high schools. The bill has no direct fiscal implications for the Foundation School Program, the Texas Education Agency or the Texas higher Education Coordinating Board.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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