

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Dan Branch, Chair, House Committee on Higher Education

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

**IN RE: HB52** by Branch (Relating to limitations on the automatic admission of undergraduate students to general academic teaching institutions.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill would amend Texas Education Code Section 51.803, relating to limitations on the automatic admission of undergraduate students to general academic teaching institutions. The bill would authorize a general academic institution to limit automatic admission to no less than 40 percent of its first-time resident undergraduate students. If the number of applicants exceeded the number of reserved spaces, the applicants would be offered admission by percentile rank. Remaining applicants would be considered for admission by criteria consistent with those used for other first time students.

There would be no significant fiscal impact on the state as this bill would not affect overall state enrollment in institutions of higher education and would not require significant changes to current enrollment processes.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 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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