

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

**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 28, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

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

**IN RE: HB746** by Brown, Fred (Relating to expanding the availability of classrooms and other facilities for use by public colleges and universities.), **As Passed 2nd House**

|   |
|---|
| <b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b> |
|---|

Under provisions of the bill, a public institution of higher education may make the institution's classrooms not scheduled for use by the institution, student organizations, or faculty available to other institutions from 5pm to 10pm during the weekdays or on Saturday available to another public junior college to teach courses in the core curriculum. The institutions could not charge the other institution for the use of their classroom. It is assumed that any savings associated with the bill would be offset by operational costs (such things as utilities) and formula increases generated by the increase in weighted semester credit hours.

**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

**LBB Staff:** JOB, KK, RT, GO