

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

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

**April 20, 2009**

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

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

**IN RE: HB3447** by Rodriguez (Relating to a study of the effectiveness for junior college students of the success initiative assessment and developmental coursework requirements regarding student readiness for college-level work.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB3447, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$333,612) through the biennium ending August 31, 2011.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2010	(\$178,405)
2011	(\$155,207)
2012	\$0
2013	\$0
2014	\$0

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1
2010	(\$178,405)
2011	(\$155,207)
2012	\$0
2013	\$0
2014	\$0

Fiscal Year	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2009
2010	2.0
2011	2.0
2012	0.0
2013	0.0
2014	0.0

**Fiscal Analysis**

Under provisions of the bill, the Higher Education Coordinating Board would be required to study the effectiveness of the Texas Success Initiative as applied to students enrolled in public junior college. The Board would be required to submit their findings to the legislature no later than November 1,

2010. The provision would expire on January 1, 2011.

### **Methodology**

The Higher Education Coordinating Board has indicated that they would need to hire two additional FTE's, one program director to handle the reporting changes, programming issues, and working with colleges on the changes in the reporting requirements, and one research specialist to design the studies, analyze results, and make recommendations to the institutions and legislature. The estimated cost to general revenue for the additional personnel is \$178,406 for fiscal year 2010 and \$155,207 for fiscal year 2011 for salaries and benefits. Since the provision expires in fiscal year 2011, there are no costs for fiscal year 2012-2014.

### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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