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TO: Honorable Sid Miller, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

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

IN RE: HB86 by Simpson (Relating to the carrying of concealed handguns on the campuses of institutions of higher education.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would allow license holder's to carry a concealed handgun on the campus of an institution of higher education, restrict an institution of higher education from adopting rules prohibiting the carrying of licensed concealed handguns on its campus, and allow an institution of higher education to establish rules governing the storage of handguns in residential campus buildings. The bill amends both the Government Code and Penal Code and would take effect September 1, 2011. Changes to the Penal Code apply only to an offense committed on or after the bill's effective date.

Institutions of higher education reported that the bill's provisions could increase costs related to campus police operations, security programs, and staff training. Adaptation of campus facilities to accommodate the storage of handguns could result in new costs for institutions.

For this analysis it is assumed implementing the provisions of the bill would not result in a significant impact on the programs and workload of State corrections agencies or on the demand for resources of those agencies.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 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, 719 Texas State Technical College System Administration

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