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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: HB381 by Brown (Relating to the operation of a student health center of an institution of higher education.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Under provisions of the bill, the student health center of an institution of higher education would be required to assist students by filing or having a claim filed with the health benefit plan issuer on their behalf. An institution of higher education could contract with a health benefit plan issuer to provide health care services under the plan to students. Not later than January 15 of each year, the governing board of each institution of higher education would report to the Legislature the amount and sources of income for the funding the student health center including monies received from student fees and charges, health center pharmacy, claims filed under a health benefit plan sponsored by the institution, and claims filed under health benefit plans not sponsored by the institution. Several institutions indicated there could be additional administrative costs associated with implementing the legislation including filing claims and processing. The University of Texas System has indicated that these costs could be covered by increases in the student medical services fee.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 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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