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TO: Honorable Byron Cook, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

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

IN RE: HB2798 by Bonnen (Relating to discounted utility rates for school districts and open-enrollment charter schools; providing an administrative penalty.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Utilities Code relating to discounted utility rates for school districts and open-enrollment charter schools.

Based on the analysis of the Public Utility Commission it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

Local Government Impact

The bill would require electric utilities, including municipally owned utilities, to offer a 20 percent reduction in electricity rates for school districts and open-enrollment charter schools, exempting utilities for which the 20 percent reduction would equal or exceed one percent of annual revenues. This provision would provide for a decrease in revenues to municipally owned utilities; however, fiscal impact is not anticipated to be significant.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 473 Public Utility Commission of Texas

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