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TO: Honorable Florence Shapiro, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

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

IN RE: SB866 by Deuell (Relating to the education of public school students with dyslexia, the education and training of educators who teach students with dyslexia, and the assessment of students with dyslexia attending an institution of higher education.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Education Agency to develop a plan to integrate technology into classrooms for students with dyslexia, provide ongoing training for the educator preparation programs, and evaluate current and future provides for continuing education.

Funding for agency personnel costs related to professional educator curricula development and training, the expert panel for certification standards, and the updates to the automated EdCert software system would be paid from certification fees. These costs, and other costs at the agency to support the provisions of the bill, are not expected to be significant.

Local Government Impact

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

The Texas Education Agency indicates that districts could incur administrative costs related to dyslexia testing and reporting requirements.

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