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TO: Honorable Mike Jackson, Chair, Senate Committee on Economic Development

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

IN RE: SB1472 by Shapiro (Relating to the coordinated dissemination of online information regarding the operation and performance of certain for-profit educational entities.),
Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

<p>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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Under provisions of the bill, the Higher Education Coordinating Board and Texas Workforce Commission would develop a comprehensive strategy to improve and coordinate the dissemination of online information regarding the operation and performance of for-profit private postsecondary educational institutions and for-profit career schools or colleges in this state. As part of the comprehensive strategy, the Board and the Commission would compile, share, and compare existing data and other applicable information under the control of each agency and would organize the information as nearly as possible according to the categories of information required for the online resumes of lower-division public institutions. The bill would require that for each for-profit private postsecondary educational institution or for-profit career school or college that the Board or Commission identifies as doing business in this state, the Board and Commission shall each publish on the agency's Internet website information that the Board and Commission jointly determine would assist a person in deciding whether to enroll in the institution, school, or college or in identifying or choosing which institution, school, or college to attend. The bill provides guidance on what information, including on-line reporting of complaints, would be included on the website. Provisions of the bill would be implemented within current resources.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 320 Texas Workforce Commission, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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