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TO: Honorable Jimmie Don Aycock, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB284 by Zedler (Relating to the availability of certain school district financial information on districts' Internet websites.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Education Code to require the posting of an electronic checking account transaction register on districts' Internet websites. These postings would be required for school districts with a student enrollment of 500 or more.

The Texas Education Agency indicates the duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by using existing resources. The bill would take effect immediately upon approval by the appropriate voting majorities, or on September 1, 2013.

Local Government Impact

School districts with student enrollments of 500 or more would experience costs related to the required postings. Costs could be incurred to establish a website if the school district currently does not maintain a website. Costs could also be incurred to create and maintain checking account transactions in a searchable PDF format that could be downloaded from the website.

Administrative costs for school districts would vary depending on whether and how many additional staff members were required.

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