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**TO:** Honorable Allan Ritter, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB841** by Callegari (Relating to the establishment of the Texas Center for Innovative Desalination Technology at the University of Houston in partnership with The University of Texas at El Paso.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill amends the Education Code relating to the establishment of the Texas Center for Innovative Desalination Technology ("Center") at the University of Houston in partnership with The University of Texas at El Paso. Under the provisions of the bill, the Center is established as a partnership between the two institutions with control and management vested with the board of regents of the University of Houston System. Under the provisions of the bill, certain faculty from either institution may participate in the Center's activities and the board of regents may solicit, accept, and administer gifts and grants from any public or private sources. The provisions of this bill expire on September 1, 2023.

Based on a revised analysis provided by The University of Texas System Administration and University of Houston System, it is assumed the two institutions can absorb the cost of implementation of the bill within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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