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TO: Honorable Dan Branch, Chair, House Committee on Higher Education

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB891 by Bell (Relating to the intercollegiate athletics fee at Prairie View A&M

University; authorizing an increase in the fee.), As Introduced

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill amends the Education Code relating to an intercollegiate athletics fee at Prairie View A&M University. Under provisions of the bill, Prairie View A&M University would be authorized to charge students an intercollegiate athletics fee of \$12.60 per semester credit hour. Provisions of the bill allow that if certain conditions are met, the fee may exceed \$12.60. The bill repeals the section of the Education Code specifying the expiration date of September 1, 2013 unless certain conditions are met for the authorization of this fee.

Under current law, the fee may not exceed \$10 per semester credit hour. It is assumed that the fee will continue to be charged in the future due to certain conditions being met by the institution and Texas A&M University System estimates that if the fee was collected at \$12.60 per semester credit hour, the fee would generate additional revenue in the amount of \$500,000 per fiscal year over current amounts.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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