

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 83RD LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 15, 2013**

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

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

**IN RE: HB945** by Riddle (Relating to abolishing certain county boards of education, boards of county school trustees, and offices of county school superintendent.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB945, As Introduced: a positive impact of \$1,937,610 through the biennium ending August 31, 2015.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</b>
2014	\$968,805
2015	\$968,805
2016	\$968,805
2017	\$968,805
2018	\$968,805

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Probable Savings/(Cost) from Foundation School Fund 193</b>
2014	\$968,805
2015	\$968,805
2016	\$968,805
2017	\$968,805
2018	\$968,805

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would abolish the Harris County Department of Education and transfer all assets, liabilities, and contracts of the department to the commissioner's court of the county.

## **Methodology**

Based on information provided by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), the Harris County Department of Education receives \$968,805 in annual state funding, primarily for employee benefits, that would be saved if the Department were to be abolished.

TEA contracts with the Harris County Department of Education to administer the Adult Basic Education program. For the purpose of this analysis, it is assumed that TEA would contract with a different organization to administer the program at a similar funding level.

## **Local Government Impact**

Under the provisions of the bill, all assets, liabilities, and contracts of the Harris County Department of Education would transfer to the Harris County commissioners court.

**Source Agencies:** 701 Central Education Agency

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