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TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee On Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB1896** by King, Phil (Relating to firearm training and the authority of certain employees of a school district or open-enrollment charter school to carry or possess a handgun on certain school premises; authorizing a fee.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB1896, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2015.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2014	\$0
2015	\$0
2016	\$0
2017	\$0
2018	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from Law Officer Stds & Ed Ac 116	Probable Revenue Gain from Appropriated Receipts 666	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2013
2014	(\$93,413)	\$140,000	2.0
2015	(\$93,413)	\$140,000	2.0
2016	(\$93,413)	\$140,000	2.0
2017	(\$93,413)	\$140,000	2.0
2018	(\$93,413)	\$140,000	2.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Education Code by authorizing the board of trustees of a school district or governing body of an open-enrollment charter school to authorize an employee with a concealed handgun license to attend school employee firearm training. The bill would amend the

Occupations Code to require the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) to establish and maintain a firearm training program for authorized employees who held a license to carry a concealed handgun. The training program would be conducted by TCLEOSE or TCLEOSE-approved agencies and institutions. TCLEOSE would issue a certification to a person who successfully completed the training program and would charge a fee to cover the cost of conducting the program.

TCLEOSE would be required to submit the name, date of birth, concealed handgun license number, and address of employment for each person issued a certification to the Department of Public Safety and other officials.

This bill would take effect immediately upon a vote of two-thirds of all members of both chambers; otherwise the bill would take effect September 1, 2013.

Methodology

TCLEOSE estimates this bill would generate \$140,000 per fiscal year in revenues for the agency (Appropriated Receipts). This estimate assumes an annual pool of 4,000 individuals seeking TCLEOSE certification at a fee cost of \$35 per certification, generating an estimated revenue of \$140,000 per fiscal year.

TCLEOSE estimates implementing the provisions of the bill would require two FTEs per fiscal year at a total cost of \$93,413 per fiscal year (\$36,000 in salary per FTE, plus \$10,706 in associated benefits per FTE).

It is assumed the costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill for state agencies other than TCLEOSE could be absorbed within current appropriation levels.

Technology

The bill would have no significant effect on state agency technology costs.

Local Government Impact

A school district or open-enrollment charter school could authorize a person to take firearm training and to carry and possess a handgun on school premises. Costs of fees for training are not anticipated to be significant, and it is assumed that a school would only choose to provide such training only if sufficient funds were available.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 405 Department of Public Safety, 407 Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education, 701 Central Education Agency

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