

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

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

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**TO:** Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor, Senate

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

**IN RE:** SB260 by Davis (Relating to the absence of a student from school to visit with a parent or guardian who will be or has been deployed on military duty. ), **As Passed 2nd House**

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

The bill would require a school district to excuse for a maximum of five days the absence of a student whose active duty military parent, stepparent, or guardian has been called for duty, is on leave from, or has immediately returned from continuous deployment of at least four months outside of the area in which they regularly reside. These excused absences must be taken within 60 days of the date of deployment or within 30 days after the return of the parent, stepparent, or legal guardian from deployment.

**Local Government Impact**

According to an analysis by the Texas Education Agency, the extent to which school districts currently lose funding when students miss school to visit with parents, stepparents, or guardians under these circumstances is not known. However, the fiscal impact is not anticipated to be significant.

**Source Agencies:** 701 Central Education Agency

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