

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Kel Seliger, Chair, Senate Committee on Higher Education

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

**IN RE: SB496** by Seliger (relating to the authority of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to review and approve capital projects and purchases of real property at public institutions of higher education in this state.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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

The bill amends various sections of the Education Code as it relates to the authority of the Higher Education Coordinating Board (Board) to review and approve capital projects and purchases of real property at public institutions of higher education in the state. Under provisions of the bill, the Board may review construction, repair, or rehabilitation of buildings and facilities at institutions of higher education to determine whether the construction, rehabilitation, or repair meets the standards adopted by board rule for cost, efficiency and space use, but the construction, rehabilitation, or repair is not contingent on Board review. The bill includes a similar provision related to the Board review of purchases of real property added to an institution's educational and general buildings and facilities inventory. Provisions of the bill would be implemented within existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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