

**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:** **SB857** by Seliger (Relating to the authority of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board regarding the initiation, consolidation, or elimination of a degree or certificate program offered by a public institution of higher education.), **As Introduced**

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

The bill relates to the authority of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (board) regarding the initiation, consolidation, or elimination of a degree or certificate program offered by a public institution of higher education. Under provisions of the bill, the board may not order the consolidation or elimination of any degree or certificate program offered by an institution of higher education but may make recommendations to the institution regarding consolidation or elimination. 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:** 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration

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