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TO: Honorable Rodney Ellis, Chair, Senate Committee on Open Government

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1409 by Patrick (Relating to public information regarding facilities of school districts and open-enrollment charter schools.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB1409, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$478,792) 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:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2014	(\$239,396)
2015	(\$239,396)
2016	(\$239,396)
2017	(\$239,396)
2018	(\$239,396)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund
	1
2014	(\$239,396)
2015	(\$239,396)
2016	(\$239,396)
2017	(\$239,396)
2018	(\$239,396)

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would require the Commissioner of Education to determine and periodically update information regarding the average cost per square foot in each region of the state of constructing instructional facilities and other school district or open-enrollment charter school facilities.

Methodology

Based on information provided by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), the agency would need to enter a contract for average construction costs information use. The agency estimates cost of the contract to be \$239,396 per fiscal year based on a per license fee of \$194 for a software product for 1,234 school districts and open-enrollment charter schools.

Technology

Technology costs for TEA are estimated to be \$239,396 per year to license construction software.

Local Government Impact

The bill would require a school district or open-enrollment charter school to post an inventory of the district's or school's existing facilities on its website. The bill would require a school district or open-enrollment charter school to post information regarding each construction or renovation project on its website. School districts and open-enrollment charter schools would incur administrative costs to implement the provisions of the bill, but these costs would vary.

Source Agencies: 701 Central Education Agency

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