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TO: Honorable John Zerwas, Chair, House Committee on Higher Education

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1502 by Murphy (Relating to the elimination of certain formula funding and dropped course restrictions for students enrolled in accelerated, affordable baccalaureate programs at public institutions of higher education.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Education Code relating to the elimination of certain formula funding and dropped course restrictions for students enrolled in accelerated, affordable baccalaureate programs at public institutions of higher education. According to information provided by the Higher Education Coordinating Board, only Texas A&M University - Commerce and South Texas College offer accelerated baccalaureate programs as described by the bill. This estimate assumes any impact to formula funding would not be significant. Additionally, any impact would not be seen until fiscal year 2018 as formula funding is provided to institutions based on student data prior to the biennium that will be funded. As such, formula funding in fiscal years 2016 and 2017 will be based on students that are enrolled during fiscal year 2015.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 719 Texas State Technical College System Administration, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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