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TO: Honorable Larry Taylor, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB213 by Birdwell (Relating to the functions and duties of the University Interscholastic League.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for SB213, As Introduced: based on the level of state cost related to this provision in the current biennium, a positive impact of \$1,000,000 through the biennium ending August 31, 2017.

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
2016	\$500,000
2017	\$500,000
2018	\$500,000
2019	\$500,000
2020	\$500,000

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund
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2016	\$500,000
2017	\$500,000
2018	\$500,000
2019	\$500,000
2020	\$500,000

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would implement the Sunset Advisory Commission recommendations concerning the functions of the University Interscholastic League (UIL). The bill would define the league as a state agency that is part of the University of Texas at Austin, specify the functions of the league,

and require the league to submit all rules and procedures to the Commissioner of Education for approval or disapproval.

The bill would discontinue the statewide steroid testing program and abolish the Interscholastic League Advisory Council.

The bill would require school districts and open-enrollment charter schools participating in UIL athletic activities to report certain concussion-related information.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2015.

Methodology

The steroid testing program, which subjects students participating in UIL athletic activities to random anabolic steroid testing, is funded solely by an appropriation to the Texas Education Agency for transfer to the UIL. Based on the level of appropriation in the 2014-15 biennium, discontinuing the steroid testing program is anticipated to result in an annual savings of \$500,000.

Local Government Impact

The bill would require superintendents to provide the UIL a notarized statement reporting certain concussion-related information. This requirement is not expected to result in a significant fiscal impact to school districts or open-enrollment charter schools since the statements are submitted annually and the concussion information should be readily available to schools.

Source Agencies: 116 Sunset Advisory Commission, 701 Central Education Agency, 720 The University of Texas System Administration

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