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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB915 by Kolkhorst (Relating to the establishment and administration by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board of a textbook affordability pilot program at a public institution of higher education.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Higher Education Coordinating Board (Board) to establish and administer a textbook affordability pilot program at a public institution of higher education. The Board shall designate one academic department of the selected eligible institution to implement the pilot program. Under provisions of the bill, the Board would be required to report on the success of the pilot program. On request by the Board, the institution selected to participate in the pilot program shall assist in preparing the report. This analysis assumes that any costs for selected institution and the Higher Education Coordinating Board to implement the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 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, 783 University of Houston System Administration, 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 781 Higher Education Coordinating

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