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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1543 by Perry (Relating to the admission of undergraduate students with nontraditional secondary education to public institutions of higher education.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill would amend Education Code by adding a requirement that institutions must treat an applicant who has successfully completed a nontraditional secondary education equivalent to the same general standards, including specific standardized testing score requirements, as other applicants who have graduated from a public high school. The changes would apply beginning with admissions to a public institution of higher education for the 2016 fall semester. This analysis assumes that any costs for institutions of higher education 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: 701 Central Education Agency, 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, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University

of Houston System Administration

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