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TO: Honorable Eddie Lucio, Jr., Chair, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB357** by Huberty (Relating to the eligibility of the children of certain first responders for free prekindergarten programs in public schools.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend Section 29.153(b), Education Code, to expand the eligibility criteria for enrollment in prekindergarten to include a child of a person eligible for the Star of Texas Award as a peace officer, firefighter, or emergency medical first responder.

This analysis assumes any additional cost to the Foundation School Program (FSP) resulting from the implementation of the provisions of the legislation would be minimal due to the number of individuals per year who are nominated for the Star of Texas Award. However, changes to the number of individuals nominated for the Star of Texas Award would result in additional eligible prekindergarten students and additional cost to the FSP.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 701 Texas Education Agency

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