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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2442 by King, Ken (Relating to the minimum amount of student instruction required to be provided by public schools and education programs and calculation of average daily attendance for public school students.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Education Code to provide school districts the choice of basing each school year on a minimum of 75,600 minutes, or 180 days, of instruction. The bill would require a school day to be at least seven hours each day unless the campus operates a program authorized as a half-day program or a charter school operating under Chapter 12, of the Education Code.

The bill would require the Commissioner of Education to adopt rules to calculate average daily attendance for students participating in a blended learning program in which classroom instruction is supplemented with applied workforce learning opportunities, including participation of students in internships, externships, and apprenticeships.

The bill would amend the Education Code to provide for a minimum number of minutes or days of instruction based on the type of educational program provided.

Based on information provided by the Texas Education Agency, this analysis assumes that any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within existing resources.

The bill would apply beginning with the 2017-18 school year.

Local Government Impact

Local education agencies and charter schools would have additional flexibility in their operations.

Source Agencies: 701 Texas Education Agency

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