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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB2614** by Huberty (Relating to school district discretion to administer college preparation assessment instruments to public school students at state cost.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Under existing law, a school district is required at state cost to administer a college preparation assessment instrument to students in the spring of their eighth grade year and in their tenth grade year. The bill would no longer require a district to administer such an assessment in grades eight and ten, but would instead allow a district to administer such an assessment.

The bill would take immediate effect if it receives a two-thirds vote in each house of the Legislature. Otherwise it would take effect September 1, 2017. The bill would apply beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

To the extent that school districts chooses not to administer college preparatory assessments as a result of the bill, the state could realize some savings. It is unknown how many districts would choose not to administer an assessment; however, any savings are not anticipated to be significant.

Local Government Impact

To the extent that a school district chooses not to administer a college preparatory assessment the school district could eliminate additional expenses associated with the administration of assessments that had been paid by the district. However, these savings are not anticipated to be significant.

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