

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 25, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Dan Huberty, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3800** by Dutton (Relating to the applicability of certain laws to open-enrollment charter schools.), **As Introduced**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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This bill would specify that charter schools are not considered a political subdivision or local governmental entity unless a statute specifically says that it is applicable to charter schools, or unless a provision in the chapter states that a statute applies to a charter school. The bill would specify that administrators and staff of a charter school are public officials and public employees, and subject to collective bargaining prohibitions for public employees.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017, or immediately if passed with the necessary voting margins.

**Local Government Impact**

The bill would specify that open enrollment charter schools are subject to the collective bargaining prohibitions in Government Code Ch. 617.

**Source Agencies:** 701 Texas Education Agency

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