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TO: Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Chair, House Committee on Ways & Means

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HJR34 by Murphy (Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation real property leased to certain schools organized and operated primarily for the purpose of engaging in educational functions.), **As Introduced**

The resolution alone would have no fiscal implication to the State, other than the cost of publication. Any additional fiscal implication would be attributable to the corresponding enabling legislation.

The cost to the State for publication of the resolution is \$114,369.

The resolution would propose an amendment to Section 2(a), Article VIII, of the Texas Constitution, to add any real property that is leased to a person for use as a statutorily defined school that operates under a charter granted by the State Board of Education, the commissioner of education, or any other state agency or officer to the list of property tax exemptions the Legislature is permitted to grant.

Voter approval of the proposed constitutional amendment alone would have no fiscal impact on the state or units of local government. Any fiscal impact would depend on the corresponding enabling legislation (HB 382).

The proposed amendment would be submitted to voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017, and would take effect beginning with the tax year that begins January 1, 2018 if approved by the voters.

Local Government Impact

The proposed constitutional amendment alone would have no fiscal implication to units of local government. Any fiscal implication would be attributable to the corresponding enabling legislation.

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