

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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

**February 21, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Kel Seliger, Chair, Senate Committee on Higher Education

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

**IN RE: SB18** by Seliger (Relating to eliminating provisions requiring public institutions of higher education to set aside portions of designated tuition for student financial assistance.), **As Introduced**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would repeal the requirement that public institutions of higher education set aside portions of designated tuition for student financial assistance. Since the bill would only impact the use of institutional funds (designated tuition), there would be no impact to the State. The Higher Education Coordinating Board has estimated that if institutions did not replace this source of financial aid, the number of students impacted and the amount of financial aid lost would be 105,962 and \$238.8 million, respectively, in fiscal year 2018, increasing to 118,838 and \$267.9 million by fiscal year 2022. However, several institutions responded that they would continue to dedicate these funds for financial aid.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration

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