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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB370 by Garcia (Relating to the discipline and behavior management of a student enrolled in a grade level below grade three at a school district or open-enrollment charter school.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Education Code related to the discipline and behavior management of certain students at a school district or open-enrollment charter school. The bill would allow schools to adopt positive behavior and early detection programs for certain students. The bill would require schools that choose to implement these programs to provide training for educators and submit procedures detailing program implementation to the Texas Education Agency (TEA). The bill would require the Commissioner of Education to adopt rules related to appropriate behavior management techniques and develop a database of positive behavior support systems.

TEA indicates that it could absorb the costs associated with the bill within its current resources.

The bill would take effect immediately if passed within the necessary voting margins, or September 1, 2017, and would apply beginning with school year 2018-19.

Local Government Impact

TEA anticipates that school districts would have administrative, training and implementation costs associated with the provisions of this bill. The costs will vary depending on the size of the district and current discipline programs in place. Costs are estimated to be approximately \$500 per elementary school campus.

Source Agencies: 701 Texas Education Agency

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