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TO: Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor, Senate

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **SB719** by Zaffirini (Relating to requiring the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to collect and study data on the participation of persons with intellectual disabilities in workforce education programs.), **As Passed 2nd House**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Education Code relating to the collection and maintenance of data related to the participation of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities in workforce education programs. The bill would also amend the Education Code to require the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) to develop, in consultation with public junior college districts, and implement a pilot program to develop minimum reporting language for financial and instructional cost information, including information on instruction of students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Junior college districts participating in the pilot program would, in consultation with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB), study best practices for reporting such information. THECB and junior college districts participating in the program would report to the LBB information in a template developed as part of the program.

This analysis assumes that duties and responsibilities associated with the bill could be accomplished using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

This analysis assumes that any additional costs for public junior colleges related to the bill would be paid with institutional funds.

Source Agencies: 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

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