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**TO:** Honorable Dennis Bonnen, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

- **FROM:** John McGeady, Assistant Director Sarah Keyton, Assistant Director Legislative Budget Board
- **IN RE: HB3808** by Walle (Relating to the filing of a degree plan by students at public institutions of higher education.), **As Passed 2nd House**

### No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Texas College Work-Study Program and create the Texas Working Off-Campus: Reinforcing Knowledge and Skills (WORKS) Internship Program. The bill specifies the state's contribution toward the Texas WORKS internship program would be payable from funds appropriated to the Texas College Work-Study Program. The bill would allow the Higher Education Coordinating Board to maintain an online portal for use by students and participating entities in fulfilling their responsibilities for participation in the Texas WORKS internship program. The bill would require the Higher Education Coordinating Board (Board) to establish and maintain an online listing of Texas WORKs internship program employment opportunities available to students, sortable by department, and easily accessible to the public on the agency's website. Under provisions of the bill, the Board could use funds appropriated for the Texas College work-study program and the Texas WORKS internship program to cover the expenses and personnel costs of administering the program. This analysis assumes that there would be no additional fiscal year impact to the state or the Higher Education Coordinating Board since funding from the current Texas Work-Study appropriation would be utilized to support the new Texas WORKS internship program.

The bill requires each institution of higher education to designate at least one employee of the institution to act as a liaison officer for current or incoming students at the institution. The bill includes specific information that the liaison officer would be required to provide to students. The bill also requires certain students awarded dual credit by a public institution of higher education to complete and submit a financial aid application for higher education costs. This analysis assumes that any costs for institutions of higher education to implement these provisions of the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

### Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 710 Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher

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