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TO: Honorable Harold V. Dutton, Jr., Chair, House Committee on Public Education

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB24 by Dominguez (Relating to funding for school districts to provide inclusive and accessible playgrounds.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB24, As Introduced : a negative impact of (\$212,625,000) through the biennium ending August 31, 2023.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five- Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</i>
2022	(\$212,625,000)
2023	\$0
2024	\$0
2025	\$0
2026	\$0

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund 1</i>
2022	(\$212,625,000)
2023	\$0
2024	\$0
2025	\$0
2026	\$0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill's provisions would require the commissioner distribute funds to each school district to provide at least one playground in each district that is inclusive and accessible for students with disabilities, from funds appropriated for the purpose or any other available funds.

Methodology

TEA estimates the median cost of a playground that meets the bill's requirements to be \$350,000. The number of districts that do not have at least one inclusive and accessible playground is unknown. This estimate assumes

half of the 1,215 school districts would qualify for funding for an inclusive and accessible playground. The estimated statewide cost for playgrounds would be \$212,625,000 ($1/2 * 1,215 * \$350,000$).

Local Government Impact

School districts that do not have an inclusive and accessible playground would receive funds to offset the cost to upgrade or build a playground.

Source Agencies: 701 Texas Education Agency

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