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TO: Honorable Larry Taylor, Chair, Senate Committee on Education

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB481 by Kolkhorst (Relating to the entitlement of certain public school students to transfer to a school district offering in-person instruction.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would allow a student enrolled in a school district offering exclusively virtual instruction for at part of the school year to transfer to another school district offering in-person instruction during the school year.

It is assumed that the costs associated with the bill's provisions relating to authorizing certain students to transfer to a school district offering in-person instruction could be absorbed using the existing resources of the Texas Education Agency.

Local Government Impact

To the extent that a school district has a student who transfers to a separate district, as authorized by the bill, the district from which the student transfers would see a loss in average daily attendance funding. The loss of revenue associated with the transferring student would be partially offset due to reduced administrative and, potentially, staffing costs.

A school to which a student transfers would see an increase in average daily attendance funding. The increased revenue would be partially offset due to increased administrative and, potentially, staffing costs.

Source Agencies: 701 Texas Education Agency

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