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TO: Honorable Brad Buckley, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4514 by Allison (Relating to public school accountability, including the assessment of academic performance, and district and campus performance standards and sanctions.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB4514, As Introduced : a negative impact of (\$12,051,007) through the biennium ending August 31, 2025.

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>	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2024	(\$2,566,021)
2025	(\$8,684,986)
2026	(\$8,536,894)
2027	(\$7,736,894)
2028	(\$7,736,894)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	Probable Savings/(Cost) from General Revenue Fund 1	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2023
2024	(\$2,566,021)	7.0
2025	(\$8,684,986)	7.0
2026	(\$8,536,894)	7.0
2027	(\$7,736,894)	7.0
2028	(\$7,736,894)	7.0

Fiscal Analysis

This bill would eliminate the grade 8 social studies assessment and require the agency to conduct an alignment study of the assessments adopted under Section 39.023(a), the general academic assessments for students in grades 3 to 8. The bill would make changes to the state's accountability system and require the commissioner to conduct a student safety and climate survey.

Methodology

This analysis assumes that TEA would require an additional 7.0 full-time-equivalent (FTE) positions to

implement provisions of the bill at a cost of \$0.8 million in fiscal year 2024 and \$0.9 million in fiscal years 2025-2028, inclusive of salary, benefits, and startup costs.

TEA estimates that elimination of the grade 8 social studies assessment would result in annual savings of \$1.6 million.

The bill would require the development and administration of a statewide student safety and climate survey. TEA estimates that development of the survey, stakeholder engagement, reporting, and analysis would cost \$3.0 million in fiscal year 2024 and \$8.5 million in subsequent fiscal years.

TEA estimates the cost to perform required research studies on the new indicators to be \$0.8 million in fiscal years 2025 and 2026.

This analysis assumes that the cost to conduct a required alignment study on assessments for grades 3 to 8 would be \$0.3 million in fiscal year 2024.

Technology

The agency estimates the cost to develop and implement requirements of the bill in the Texas Student Data System would be approximately \$0.2 over the biennium for initial development.

Local Government Impact

This analysis assumes that new indicators would create significant data reporting and tracking responsibility for districts. While these costs cannot be determined, this analysis assumes they could be significant.

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