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TO: Honorable Briscoe Cain, Chair, House Committee on Agriculture & Livestock

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: **HB4746** by Bernal (Relating to the eligibility of a school district or open-enrollment charter school to receive a grant from the Department of Agriculture to provide surplus agricultural products to certain students.), **As Introduced**

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB4746, As Introduced : a negative impact of (\$194,806) 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 <i>General Revenue Related Funds</i>
2024	(\$100,539)
2025	(\$94,267)
2026	(\$94,267)
2027	(\$94,267)
2028	(\$94,267)

All Funds, Five-Year Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>General Revenue Fund</i> 1	<i>Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2023</i>
2024	(\$100,539)	1.0
2025	(\$94,267)	1.0
2026	(\$94,267)	1.0
2027	(\$94,267)	1.0
2028	(\$94,267)	1.0

Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend Section 21.001 of the Texas Agriculture Code to allow direct participation by school districts or open-enrollment charter schools in the surplus agricultural products grant program.

Methodology

Based on information provided by the Department of Agriculture (TDA), this analysis assumes TDA would need 1.0 FTE (Grant Specialist III) each year to administer the additional grant applications and recipient reporting

requirements. The estimated cost for the 1.0 FTE is \$195,267 in 2024 and \$182,723 in 2025.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated. The bill would authorize school districts and open enrollment charter schools to adopt a policy allowing them to apply for grants from TDA and to receive/donate surplus agricultural products. There would be a small operational impact for those districts that choose to participate.

Source Agencies: 551 Department of Agriculture, 701 Texas Education Agency

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