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TO: Honorable Brandon Creighton, Chair, Senate Committee on Education K-16

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB1716 by Middleton (Relating to measures to support the enrollment of students with a nontraditional secondary education at public institutions of higher education, including eligibility for certain student financial assistance programs.), **As Introduced**

The fiscal implications of the bill cannot be determined due to a lack of data on the number of students who would be eligible for TEXAS Grants Program awards under the provisions of the bill.

The bill would amend certain provisions related to the undergraduate admission review process at an institution of higher education for applicants who completed a nontraditional secondary education and amend eligibility requirements for the TEXAS Grants Program to include a graduate who presents evidence of successful completion of a nontraditional secondary education.

The Higher Education Coordinating Board has indicated that it lacks available data to assess the number of students that would be made eligible for TEXAS Grants as a result of such changes to student eligibility, therefore, any related fiscal impact cannot be determined. It is assumed that any costs associated with the admission review process could be absorbed within existing resources at institutions of higher education.

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, 717 Texas Southern University, 719 Texas State Technical College System Administration, 720 The University of Texas System Administration, 758 Texas State University System, 768 Texas Tech University System Administration, 769 University of North Texas System Administration, 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board, 783 University of Houston System Administration, 966 Howard College, 978 San Jacinto College

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