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TO: Honorable Dan Huberty, Chair, House Committee on Public Education

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2395 by Collier (Relating to testing for lead contamination in public school drinking water.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Health and Safety Code relating to testing for lead contamination in public school drinking water. Based on the LBB's analysis of the Department of State Health Services and the Texas Education Agency, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

The Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO) estimates the cost to test the potable water sources per building would be \$2,000 to \$3,000. TEA estimates the statewide cost would be approximately \$22.0 million (\$2,500 X 8,685 campuses) each year. The bill's provision would require additional testing and remediation as necessary; the remediation cost could be substantial.

Source Agencies: 537 State Health Services, Department of, 701 Texas Education Agency

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