The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (Coordinating Board) proposes the repeal of Section 13.187 concerning Reporting that relates to the Texas Fund for Geography Education. Senate Bill 5, passed by the 82nd Legislature, repealed Texas Education Code (TEC) Section 61.968, which required the board to report to the governor and legislature each even-numbered year the value of the Texas Fund for Geography Education, the membership of the advisory committee, a summary of each project supported by a grant during the preceding state fiscal biennium and other information the Coordinating Board deemed appropriate. The repeal of Texas Education Code Section 61.9685 requires the Coordinating Board to repeal this section in order to be in compliance with Senate Bill 5.

Dr. Judith Loredo, Assistant Commissioner for P-16 Initiatives, has determined that for the first five years the repeal of the section is in effect there will be no fiscal implications for state or local governments as a result of repealing the rule listed above.

Dr. Loredo has also determined that the public benefit anticipated as a result of administering the repeal of the section will be a cost-saving in terms of staff time in preparing the report. There is no effect on small businesses. There are no anticipated economic costs to persons or impacts on local employment.

Comments on the proposed repeal may be submitted by mail to Dr. Judith Loredo, Assistant Commissioner, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, P.O. Box 12788, Austin, Texas, 78711 or via email at judith.loredo@thecb.state.tx.us. Comments will be accepted for 30 days following publication of the proposal in the *Texas Register*.

The repeal is proposed under Texas Education Code, Sections 130.0012, 61.002(a) and (b), and Section 61.051(d) and (e), which authorize Coordinating Board to adopt rules Applying to Public Universities and Health-Related Institutions of Higher Education in Texas.

The repeal affects Texas Education Code, Chapter 61, Subchapter BB, Section 61.9685.

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