

Issue Docket

Conference Committee on House Bill 1

2012-13 General Appropriations Bill

Article VI - Natural Resources

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<u>Department of Agriculture</u>	VI-1		VI-1			
A.1.1, Economic Development	\$ 8,988,037	\$ 7,129,953	\$ 12,788,037	\$ 7,129,953	\$ 3,800,000	Senate provides \$2,800,000 in funds from the General Revenue-Dedicated - GO TEXAN Partner Program Account No. 5051. Senate provides additional \$1,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the Rural Economic Development Program.
A.1.3, Integrated Pest Management	\$ 10,003,129	\$ 10,053,422	\$ 9,503,129	\$ 10,053,422	\$ 500,000	House provides additional \$500,000 in General Revenue Funds for Integrated Pest Management.
A.1.5, Agricultural Production Development	\$ 4,576,337	\$ 3,839,039	\$ 3,576,337	\$ 3,839,039	\$ 1,000,000	House provides \$1.0 million in General Revenue Funds for the Feral Hog Abatement Program. (See also House Rider #23, VI-8).

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Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders:						
Equine Incentive Program (House Riders #26 and #27, Senate Rider #25)	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 62,260	\$ 25,000	\$ 12,740	a. House provides additional \$50,000 in each fiscal year in General Revenue Funds for the Equine Incentive Program. (See also House Riders #26 and #27, VI-9). b. Senate provides \$62,260 in fiscal year 2012 and \$25,000 in fiscal year 2013 in General Revenue Funds for the Equine Incentive Program. (See also Senate Rider #25, VI-8).
Hostable Cotton Fee (House Rider #29, Senate Rider #26)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 70,000	Senate provides \$35,000 in each fiscal year in General Revenue Funds from the Hostable Cotton Fee. (See also Senate Rider #26, VI-8).
Zebra Chip Research (Senate Rider #27)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,000	\$ -	\$ 800,000	Senate provides \$800,000 in General Revenue Funds for Zebra Chip Research. (See also Senate Rider #27, VI-9).

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Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Regulatory	VI-7, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VI-1		VI-7, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VI-1			<p>a. House provides revenue required to be collected for the listed regulatory programs. House also provides LBB authority to reduce agency's FTE cap if revenue collected for listed programs does not meet cost recovery requirement.</p> <p>b. Senate exempts Mediterranean and Mexican fruit fly programs and Obliqua program and partially exempts the Prescribed Burn Program from revenue collections requirement.</p>
Appropriation: Feral Hog Abatement Program	VI-8, Rider #23 Rider Packet, page VI-2					House provides \$1.0 million in General Revenue Funds for the Feral Hog Abatement Program.
Additional Appropriation Authority: Selected Regulatory Programs	VI-8, Rider #25 Rider Packet, page VI-3		VI-8, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VI-3			House provides LBB the authority to decrease the agency's FTE cap if the revenue collected for the listed programs does not meet cost recovery requirements.

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Equine Incentive Program	VI-9, Riders #26 and #27 Rider Packet, pages VI-4 and VI-5		VI-8, Rider #25 Rider Packet, page VI-4			a. House provides \$50,000 in each fiscal year in General Revenue Funds for the Equine Incentive Program. b. Senate provides \$62,260 in fiscal year 2012 and \$25,000 in fiscal year 2013 in General Revenue Funds for the Equine Incentive Program.
Zebra Chip Research			VI-9, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VI-5			Senate provides \$800,000 in General Revenue Funds for Zebra Chip Research.

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Farm to School Coordinator		VI-9, Rider #28 Rider Packet, page VI-5				House provides 1.0 FTE below the line for a 100 percent federally funded Farm to School Coordinator.
Appropriation: Hostable Cotton Fee		VI-9, Rider #29 Rider Packet, page VI-5	VI-8, Rider #26 Rider Packet, page VI-5			a. House appropriates revenue above the Biennial Revenue Estimate for the Hostable Cotton Fee. b. Senate provides \$35,000 in each fiscal year in General Revenue Funds from the Hostable Cotton Fee.
Contingent Increase of Number of Full-Time-Equivalents		VI-9, Rider #30 Rider Packet, page VI-6 See also Article XI, page XI-6				House provides authority to increase the agency's number of FTEs contingent on receiving gifts or grants.

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<u>Animal Health Commission</u>	VI-9		VI-9			
A.1.1, Field Operations	\$ 6,438,139	\$ 6,061,364	\$ 6,683,138	\$ 6,306,364	\$ 489,999	Technical correction: Senate amounts include funding to reverse reductions to Strategy A.1.2, Diagnostic/Epidemiological Support House is correct.
A.1.2, Diagnostic/Epidemiological Support	\$ 1,755,329	\$ 1,755,329	\$ 1,510,329	\$ 1,510,329	\$ 490,000	Technical Correction: Senate amounts include reductions intended for allocation to Strategy A.1.1, Field Operations House is correct.
Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders:						

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Contingency Appropriation: Cost Recovery for Animal Health Programs (House Rider #9, Senate Rider #10)	\$ 5,219,911	\$ 5,219,911	\$ 4,989,643	\$ 4,954,520	\$ 495,659	House amount includes funding for merit increases for livestock inspectors. (See House, Rider #9, VI-11)
Capital Budget			VI-10, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VI -7			Senate provides capital budget authority for information technology (\$150,000 in each fiscal year) and vehicle purchases (\$150,000 in each fiscal year)
Collection of Revenue from Laboratory Testing Fees Applied to Out-of-State Clients	VI-11, Rider #8 Rider Packet, page VI -7		VI-11, Rider #9 Rider Packet, page VI -7			Senate provides estimated appropriation authority for all fees collected. House provides no specific appropriation amount. Cost recovery contingency appropriation (House, Rider #9, VI-11; and Senate, Rider #10, VI-11) includes estimated receipts from fees generated by out-of-state laboratory tests.
Contingency Appropriation: Cost Recovery for Animal Health Programs	VI-11, Rider #9 Rider Packet, page VI -8		VI-11, Rider #10 Rider Packet, page VI -8			House amount includes funding for merit increases for livestock inspectors.

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						<p>Technical correction: Senate amounts include \$16,857 in "other direct and indirect costs" treated as agency appropriations.</p>

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<u>Commission on Environmental Quality</u>	VI-12		VI-12			
A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning	\$ 96,046,069	\$ 92,422,977	\$ 108,546,069	\$ 104,922,977	\$ 25,000,000	a. House provides \$89,330,094 out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) Account No. 5071. b. Senate provides \$114,330,094 out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) Account No. 5071.
Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders:						
Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Grants and Administration (Rider #21)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 16,000,000	Senate appropriates revenues to the General Revenue-Dedicated TERP Account No. 5071 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 in an amount not to exceed \$8.0 million per fiscal year. (See Senate Rider #21, VI-20.)

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Appropriation: Operating Costs of the Low-Level Waste Disposal Compact Commission (House Rider #26, Senate Rider #31)	\$483,289	\$ 483,289	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 516,578	<p>a. House provides a direct appropriation of \$966,578 out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Low-Level Waste Account No. 88 for operating costs of the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission (LLRWDC), and appropriation authority to the TCEQ to restore \$966,578 in biennial reductions to the agency's Radioactive Materials Management programs from revenues in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13. (See House Rider #26, VI-21.)</p> <p>b. Senate provides \$450,000 out of the Low-Level Waste Account No. 88 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for operating costs of the LLRWDC. (See Senate Rider #31, VI-22.)</p>

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Contingency Appropriation: Revenues in Excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for the Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094 (House Rider #29, Senate Rider #28)	\$2,424,344	\$ 2,414,256	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,838,600	<p>a. House provides \$4.8 million in revenues to the General Revenue-Dedicated Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for the agency's Title V air quality programs. This additional funding would restore appropriations out of the Operating Permit Fees Account no. 5094 to 2010-11 levels. (See House Rider #29, VI-22).</p> <p>b. Senate provides \$3.0 million in revenues to the General Revenue-Dedicated Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for the agency's Title V air quality programs. (See Senate Rider #28, VI-21).</p>
Contingent Appropriation: Revenue to the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Account No. 5065 in Excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 (Senate Rider #33)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 500,000	Senate provides \$500,000 in revenues to the General Revenue-Dedicated Laboratory Accreditation Fee Account No. 5093 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13. (See Senate Rider #33, VI-22.)

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Federal Funds and Capital Budget Expenditures	VI-18, Rider #12 Rider Packet, Page VI-10		VI-18, Rider #12 Rider Packet, Page VI-10			House includes language stating that the expenditure of funds pursuant to the rider shall not create any ongoing operating costs.
Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Grants and Administration	VI-20, Rider #21 Rider Packet, Page VI-10		VI-20, Rider #21 Rider Packet, Page VI-10			<p>a. House rider language reflects a funding level of \$89.3 million out of the General Revenue-Dedicated TERP Account No. 5071, including \$43.7 million for Diesel Emissions Reduction Program incentive payments, of which \$1.7 million is provided for the Clean School Bus Initiative, and \$2.2 million is provided for the Clean Fleet Program; and \$914,192 is available each fiscal year for program administration.</p> <p>b. Senate rider language reflects a funding level of \$114.3 million out of the General Revenue-Dedicated TERP Account No. 5071, including \$56.0 million for Diesel Emissions Reduction Program incentive payments, of which \$2.2 million is provided for the Clean School Bus Initiative, and \$2.8 million is provided for the Clean Fleet Program; and \$1.2 million is available each fiscal year for program administration. (See also, Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders, TERP.)</p>

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Appropriation: Low-level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission	VI-21, Rider #26 Rider Packet, Page VI-11		VI-21, Rider #26 Rider Packet, Page VI-11			<p>a. House allocates \$966,518 (\$483,289 each fiscal year) in appropriations out of the Low-Level Waste Account No. 88 to the Low Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Compact Commission (LLRWDC) for operating expenses; and provides an additional \$966,518 in revenues in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for the TCEQ's Low-Level Radioactive Waste and Radioactive Materials programs.</p> <p>b. Senate allocates \$100,000 in funding out of the Low-Level Waste Account No. 88 for operating costs of the LLRWDC. (See also Senate Rider # 31, VI-22.)</p>
Contingency Appropriation: Revenues in Excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for the Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094	VI-22, Rider #29 Rider Packet, Page VI-12		VI-21, Rider #28 Rider Packet, Page VI-12			<p>a. House provides \$4.8 million in revenues to the General Revenue-Dedicated Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for the agency's Title V air quality programs. This additional funding would restore appropriations out of the Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094 to 2010-11 levels. House also includes language prohibiting the use of additional funds for FTEs.</p>

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Appropriation: Revenue in Excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for the Low-Level Waste Account No. 88				VI-22, Rider #31 Rider Packet, Page VI-13		b. Senate provides \$3.0 million in revenues to the General Revenue-Dedicated Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for the agency's Title V air quality programs. Senate language requires the agency to cover "Other direct and indirect costs" and to provide information to the Comptroller regarding the fee structure to make the appropriation available to the agency. Senate provides \$450,000 (\$225,000 each fiscal year) in revenues to the Low-Level Waste Account No. 88 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13 for operating costs of the LLRWDC once the disposal site in Andrews County becomes operational.
Barnett Shale Permit By Rule Study		VI-23, Rider #33 Rider Packet, Page VI-13				House includes rider language prohibiting the TCEQ from expending funds to develop a rule that would apply to counties outside the Barnett Shale region until after the completion of a study on the economic impact of such a rule; and specifies the elements such a study must contain.

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Contingent Appropriation: Revenue to the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Account No. 5065 in Excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13			VI-22, Rider #33 Rider Packet, Page VI-14			Senate provides an appropriation of \$500,000 (\$250,000 each fiscal year) out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Fee Account No. 5065 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13.
	See Also, Article XI, Page XI-6		See Also, Article XI, Page XI-4			

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<u>GENERAL LAND OFFICE AND VETERANS' LAND BOARD</u>		VI-23		VI-23		
Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	584.2	584.2	598.2	598.2	14.0	Senate provides 14.0 FTEs for coastal management and coastal erosion control. House includes these FTEs in Contingency Appropriation of New Funding to Implement the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (see below).
B.1.2, Coastal Erosion Control Grants	\$ 10,054,770	\$ 11,734,790	\$ 16,805,248	\$ 19,485,268	\$ 14,500,956	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. House provides \$11,966,964 in funding out of the General Revenue Fund for coastal management and coastal erosion programs. b. Senate provides \$22,467,920 in funding derived from an Interagency Contract with the Department of Parks and Wildlife (Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer--General Revenue) and \$4.0 million in Federal Funds for coastal management and coastal erosion control programs.
Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders:						

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Number of FTEs in Rider	14.0	14.0			14.0	House provides 14.0 FTEs for coastal management and coastal erosion control contingent upon passage of legislation creating a commercial landing fee. (See Rider #21, VI-29.)
Contingency Appropriation of New Funding to Implement the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (House Rider #21)	\$ 6,750,478	\$ 7,750,478	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,500,956	House includes an appropriation contingent upon the passage of legislation providing \$10,500,956 in new revenues from a commercial landing fee on marine vessels that would be deposited to a new General Revenue-dedicated account; \$4.0 million in Federal Funds; and 14.0 FTEs. In addition, \$11,966,964 in General Revenue Funds appropriated to Strategy A.1.1, Asset Management, Strategy B.1.1, Coastal Management, and Strategy B.1.2, Coastal Erosion Control Grants, would be replaced by existing revenues that would be redirected to the new General Revenue-dedicated account. (House Rider #21, VI-29.)
Capital Budget	VI-26, Rider #2 Rider Packet, Page VI-15		VI-25, Rider #2 Rider Packet, Page VI-15			a. House provides \$9,252,370 in Capital Budget authority for Coastal Erosion Response Construction, reflecting funding levels for coastal management and coastal erosion control.

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Appropriation: Coastal Management and Coastal Erosion Control			VI-28, Rider #20 Rider Packet, Page VI-16			<p>b. Senate provides \$17,394,456 in Capital Budget authority for Coastal Erosion Response Construction, reflecting base levels for coastal management and coastal erosion control.</p> <p>Senate includes rider directing the agency to enter into an Interagency Contract with the Department of Parks and Wildlife for \$22,467,920 for coastal management and coastal erosion control projects.</p>
Contingency Appropriation of New Funding to Implement the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act	VI-29, Rider #21 Rider Packet, Page VI-16					<p>House includes rider providing an appropriation of \$10,500,956 contingent on new revenues created by legislation and the replacement of \$11,966,964 in General Revenue for coastal management and coastal erosion programs with existing fee revenue that would be redirected to a new General Revenue-Dedicated account. The contingency rider also provides an additional \$4.0 million in Federal Funds and 14.0 FTEs.</p>

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<u>Parks and Wildlife Department</u>		VI-29		VI-28		
Total FTEs	2,915.7	2,921.0	2,945.9	2,945.7	30.2 / 24.7	
	Cross-Strategy Issues:					
	(1) Capital Budget Items					
	House suspends funding for vehicle, equipment, and information technology replacement cycles across all divisions; except \$8,823,641 is provided for Data Center Consolidation services.					
	Senate provides \$3,976,524 for capital budget items above levels in the House and introduced bills spread across several strategies and in the following amounts: information technology (\$904,603), transportation items (\$2,383,991), and capital equipment (\$687,930) from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 (\$1,583,165), the Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST) Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 (\$2,380,859), and the SGST Transfer to the Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467 (\$12,500).					
	(2) Law Enforcement					
	House provides \$89.5 million in All Funds for the 2012-13 biennium, including a reduction of 36.2 FTEs in fiscal year 2012 and 30.7 FTEs in fiscal year 2013.					
	Senate provides \$96.6 million in All Funds for the 2012-13 biennium, including a reduction of 8 FTEs each fiscal year.					

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A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation	\$ 16,857,043	\$ 16,996,128	\$ 16,857,043	\$ 17,206,128	\$ 210,000	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
A.2.1, Inland Fisheries Management	\$ 10,460,179	\$ 10,597,849	\$ 10,460,179	\$ 10,638,933	\$ 41,084	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
A.2.2., Inland Hatcheries Operations	\$ 5,726,194	\$ 5,726,194	\$ 5,726,194	\$ 5,755,694	\$ 29,500	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
A.2.3, Coastal Fisheries Management	\$ 10,923,958	\$ 11,061,408	\$ 10,923,958	\$ 11,111,242	\$ 49,834	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
A.2.4, Coastal Hatcheries Operations	\$ 3,460,343	\$ 3,460,343	\$ 3,460,343	\$ 3,480,343	\$ 20,000	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
B.1.1, State Park Operations	\$ 58,738,566	\$ 58,779,420	\$ 60,338,565	\$ 62,090,276	\$ 4,910,855	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
B.2.1, Local Park Grants	\$ 434,480	\$ 434,480	\$ 434,480	\$ 446,980	\$ 12,500	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants	\$ 327,896	\$ 327,896	\$ 497,896	\$ 497,896	\$ 340,000	Senate provides \$340,000 for the biennium, including 2 FTEs, for the Off-Highway Vehicle Trail and Recreational Area Program contingent on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission raising decal fees from \$8 to \$16.
C.1.1, Enforcement Programs	\$ 41,521,810	\$ 41,539,228	\$ 43,992,822	\$ 44,883,322	\$ 5,815,106	Senate provides: a. \$4,924,606 in All Funds, including 20.2 FTEs for law enforcement programs; and

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C.1.2, Texas Game Warden Training Center	\$ 921,741	\$ 1,696,095	\$ 1,696,095	\$ 1,696,095	\$ 774,354	b. \$890,500 for capital budget items. Senate provides \$774,354 in All Funds, including 5.5 FTEs to fund 12 months of training in fiscal year 2012.
C.1.3, Law Enforcement Support	\$ 1,903,446	\$ 1,903,446	\$ 2,164,113	\$ 2,164,113	\$ 521,334	Senate provides \$521,334 in All Funds, including 2.5 FTEs for law enforcement
C.2.3, Promote TPWD Efforts	\$ 2,337,259	\$ 2,337,258	\$ 2,337,259	\$ 2,355,758	\$ 18,500	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs	\$ 19,795,149	\$ 33,415,188	\$ 88,036,839	\$ 19,991,418	\$ 54,817,920	Senate provides: a. \$32,350,000 in new GO bonds for new infrastructure repairs. b. \$22,467,920 from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 in pass-through funds to the General Land Office for coastal erosion projects Debt service differences between House and Senate total \$2,214,961 and include: a. \$714,961 in debt service savings from General Revenue related to deferring GO bonds proceeds for the Battleship TEXAS from fiscal year 2011 to 2013 are included in the House.

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						b. \$1,500,000 in debt service costs from General Revenue related to the \$32,350,000 in new GO bonds for new infrastructure repairs are included in the Senate.
D.1.3 Infrastructure Administration	\$ 3,527,236	\$ 3,527,236	\$ 3,527,236	\$ 3,616,383	\$ 89,147	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
E.1.2, Information Resources	\$ 9,356,911	\$ 9,356,911	\$ 9,356,911	\$ 10,261,514	\$ 904,603	Senate provides funding for capital budget items.
						Technical Correction: A method of finance change in Strategy E.1.2, Information Resources which includes an increase of \$1,215,445 in fiscal year 2012 and \$1,663,556 in fiscal year 2013 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9, offset by a corresponding decrease in the State Parks Account No. 64.
Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders:						
(a) Number of FTEs in Riders		0.0		60.3	60.3	Senate adds 60.3 FTEs, contingent on \$11 million in receipts in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate into the State Parks Account No. 64 and the Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9.

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(b) Appropriation of Receipts out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Accounts (House Rider #27, Senate Rider #27)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,500,000	\$ 5,500,000	\$ 11,000,000	<p>a. House provides estimated appropriation authority out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 and the State Parks Account No. 64 for amounts in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for each year of the biennium (estimated to be \$0). (House Rider #27. VI-38)</p> <p>b. Senate provides appropriation authority not to exceed \$5 million for the biennium out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 and \$6 million for the biennium out of the State Parks Account No. 64, including 60.3 FTEs for amounts in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for each year of the biennium. (Senate Rider #27, VI-38)</p> <p>Senate amounts from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 are allocated as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) \$1 million in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation; 2) \$666,660 in Strategy A.1.3, Hunting and Wildlife Recreation;

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Capital Budget	VI-33, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VI-18		VI-32, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VI-18			<p>3) \$1 million in Strategy A.2.1, Inland Fisheries Management;</p> <p>4) \$1 million in Strategy A.2.3, Coastal Fisheries Management;</p> <p>5) \$666,660 in Strategy C.2.3, Promote TPWD Efforts; and,</p> <p>6) \$666,680 in Strategy E.1.2, Information Resources.</p> <p>Senate amounts from the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64 are allocated as follows:</p> <p>1) \$5.5 million in Strategy B.1.1, State Park Operations; and,</p> <p>2) \$500,000 in Strategy B.1.2, Parks Minor Repairs.</p> <p>Senate provides \$3,976,524 for capital budget items above House level.</p>
Appropriation: Unexpended Balance for Construction Projects	VI-34, Rider #4 Rider Packet, page VI-20		VI-33, Rider #4 Rider Packet, page VI-20			House provides \$24,675,730 in unexpended balances (UBs) for the Battleship TEXAS carried forward from fiscal year 2011 to 2013.

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Capital Budget Expenditures from Federal and Other Funding Sources		VI-36, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VI-21		VI-35, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VI-21		Senate provides \$24,675,730 in unexpended balances (UBs) for the Battleship TEXAS carried forward from fiscal year 2011 to 2012. House authorizes new funding from federal and other sources for capital budget expenditures, including land acquisition, provided acquisition(s) do not create any ongoing operating costs.
Informational Listing - Appropriation of Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST)		VI-37, Rider #20 Rider Packet, page VI-22		VI-36, Rider #20 Rider Packet, page VI-22		Senate does not authorize new funding from federal or other sources for the purposes of land acquisition. House informational listing describes \$72,637,870 for the biennium in appropriations from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST). Senate informational listing describes \$97,488,599 for the biennium in appropriations from the SGST, which includes: a. \$22,467,920 from the SGST Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 for pass-through funds to the General Land Office for Coastal Erosion projects.

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Contingency Appropriation: Development Revenue	VI-38, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VI-24		VI-38, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VI-24			<p>b. \$2,393,359 from the SGST Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 (\$2,380,859) and the Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467 (\$12,500) for capital budget transportation items and equipment for the State Park and Local Park Grant divisions.</p> <p>House provision cites House Bill 1300, the legislation to implement recommendations from the Government Effectiveness and Efficiency Report for agency fund-raising and partnership development activities.</p> <p>Senate provision does not cite a particular bill.</p> <p>Technical Correction: Amend Rider 24 in keeping with the expansion of the legislation to allow the agency to develop fund-raising and partnerships with donors not only for the State Park division but also wildlife, fishery, and other agency divisions.</p>

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Contingency Appropriation Reduction for Coastal Erosion Interagency Contract and Method of Finance Change		VI-38, Rider #26 Rider Packet, page VI-24				House provides that contingent on enactment of legislation relating to sources of revenue for the General Land Office's Coastal Erosion Response Account, a decrease of \$5,983,482 each fiscal year in appropriations to the agency from the Unclaimed Refunds of Motor Boat Fuel Tax is offset by a corresponding increase in the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64.
Coastal Erosion Interagency Contract		VI-38, Rider #26 Rider Packet, page VI-25			Senate maintains \$22,467,920 for the biennium in the SGST Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 in pass-through funds to the General Land Office (GLO) for Coastal Erosion projects. House funds coastal erosion projects directly at GLO, rather than through an interagency contract. Amounts provided at GLO for this purpose total \$11,966,964 for the 2012-13 biennium.
Appropriation of Receipts out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Accounts		VI-38, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VI-25	VI-35, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VI-25			House provides an estimated appropriation. See Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders. Senate provides an appropriation not to exceed \$11 million. See description under Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders.
				

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Unexpended Balances Bond Proceeds	VI-39, Rider #28 Rider Packet, page VI-26		VI-38, Rider #28 Rider Packet, page VI-26			House provides \$24,675,730 in unexpended balances (UBs) for the Battleship TEXAS carried forward from fiscal year 2011 to 2013. Senate provides \$24,675,730 in unexpended balances (UBs) for the Battleship TEXAS carried forward from fiscal year 2011 to 2012.
Floating Cabin Clean-Up	VI-40, Rider #33 Rider Packet, page VI-27					House requires TPWD to remove and dispose of floating cabins and related debris, in the event the cabin is abandoned by its owner.
Clothing Provision			VI-39, Rider #33 Rider Packet, page VI-27			Senate authorizes TPWD to expend funds for a \$500 per employee cleaning allowance, in keeping with Senate decisions made for the Department of Public Safety and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
Appropriation of Receipts and Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Cap Contingency: Off-Highway Vehicle Trail and Recreational Area Program			VI-40, Rider #36 Rider Packet, page VI-27			Senate provides \$340,000 for the biennium, including 2 FTEs, for the Off-Highway Vehicle Trail and Recreational Area Program contingent on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission raising decal fees from \$8 to \$16.

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Unexpended Balance Authority: Seized Assets		VI-40, Rider #36 Rider Packet, page VI-27				House authorizes TPWD to have unexpended balance authority within the biennium for any assets or sale of assets related to the department's participation in the seizure of controlled substances or contraband.
Receipts from the Sale of Eagle Mountain Lake		VI-40, Rider #37 Rider Packet, page VI-28		VI-40, Rider #37 Rider Packet, page VI-28		Both House and Senate riders designate that the proceeds from the sale of property at Eagle Mountain Lake be held in a dedicated subaccount for future acquisition and development of park land. Senate rider expressly provides that the funds are not appropriated for use during fiscal years 2012-13.
Appropriation Authority for General Obligation Bond Proceeds				VI-40, Rider #38 Rider Packet, page VI-28		Senate rider describes the new \$32,350,000 in General Obligation Bond proceeds provided for new infrastructure improvements and repairs.
		See also Article XI, page XI-6.				

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Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<u>RAILROAD COMMISSION</u>		VI-40		VI-40		
Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	635.5	635.5	631.4	631.4	4.1	House provides 4.1 FTEs for Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections, reflecting the restoration of funding.
C.1.2, Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections	\$ 3,302,431	\$ 3,298,699	\$ 3,193,106	\$ 3,193,348	\$ 214,676	<p>a. House includes \$387,688 in additional estimated Federal Funds expected from the restoration of funding for the Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspection program; and provides 4.1 FTEs for Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections.</p> <p>b. Senate provides \$173,012 in General Revenue for the Surface Mining and Uranium Mining Monitoring and Inspection programs.</p>
Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders:						

Agency/Item	House		Senate		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Number of FTEs in Riders:	80.6	80.6	70.9	70.9	9.7	House provides 9.7 FTEs for Energy Resource Development and Public Information reflecting an additional \$897,074 in appropriations out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Operating Permit Fee Account No. 5094 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-
Contingency Appropriation: Appropriation of New Fee Revenues for Oil and Gas-Related Activities (House Rider #15, Senate Rider #15)	\$ 7,482,438	\$ 7,479,248	\$ 7,033,395	\$ 7,031,217	\$ 897,074	<p>a. House provides \$15.0 million in funding contingent on the creation of a new dedicated account for the deposit of oil-and gas related fees, \$897,084 of which is for Energy Resource Development and Public Information; and includes an additional 59.6 FTEs. (See House Rider #15, VI-46.)</p> <p>b. Senate provides \$14.1 million in funding contingent on the creation of a new dedicated account for the deposit of oil and gas related fees and 49.9 FTEs. (See Senate Rider #15, VI-46.)</p>
Capital Budget	VI-43, Rider #2 Rider Packet, Page VI-29		VI-43, Rider #2 Rider Packet, Page VI-29			<p>a. Senate includes authority for \$1,249,654 in Vehicle Replacements (no additional funding).</p> <p>b. Technical correction: House includes \$147,455 for Personal Computer (PC) Refresh in 2012; Senate includes \$210,035. House amount is correct.</p>

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections and Contingent Revenue: LPG/CNG/LNG Fees	VI-44, Rider #5 Rider Packet, Page VI-30		VI-44, Rider #5 Rider Packet, Page VI-30			House provides rider language appropriating LPG/CNG/LNG Fees (General Revenue) in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13.
Appropriation for Pipeline Safety Fees	VI-45, Rider #10 Rider Packet, Page VI-31		VI-45, Rider #10 Rider Packet, Page VI-31			House provides rider language appropriating Pipeline Safety Fees (General Revenue) in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2012-13.
Capital Budget Expenditures: Federal Funds and Appropriated Receipts	VI-45, Rider #11 Rider Packet, Page VI-31		VI-45, Rider #11 Rider Packet, Page VI-31			House includes language stating that the expenditure of funds pursuant to the rider shall not create any ongoing operating costs.
Contingency Appropriation: Appropriation of New Fee Revenues for Oil and Gas-Related Activities	VI-46, Rider #15 Rider Packet, Page VI-32		VI-46, Rider #15 Rider Packet, Page VI-32			House provides \$897,074 in contingent appropriations to Strategy A.1.1, Energy Resource Development, and Strategy D.1.1, Public Information (including 9.7 FTEs) that is not included in the Senate rider. See also, Supplemental Appropriations Made in Rider above.
Oil and Gas Division Permitting Efficiencies			VI-46, Rider #16 Rider Packet, Page VI-33			Senate includes rider stating that the agency staff its Oil and Gas Division offices in a manner sufficient to respond to permits within 10 to 30 days of receipt and to provide final decisions on contested cases within 60 days of a hearing date.

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Enforcement and Compliance Data and Public Information			VI-46, Rider #17 Rider Packet, Page VI-33			Senate includes rider stating that the agency shall use funds in Strategy D.1.2, Public Information and Services, to publish information about enforcement data on the agency's website, including enforcement and violation data.
	See Also, Article XI, Page XI-6					

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Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<u>Soil and Water Conservation Board</u>						
		VI-47		VI-47		
A.1.1, Program Management and Assistance	\$ 3,922,663	\$ 3,922,662	\$ 5,922,663	\$ 5,922,662	\$ 4,000,000	Senate provides \$4,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the Flood Control Dam Grant Program. (See also Senate Rider #8).
Appropriation: Flood Control Dam Operation, Maintenance, and Structural Repair			VI-49, Rider #8 Rider Packet, page VI-34			Senate adopts rider specifying that \$2.0 million per fiscal year is appropriated for the flood control dam grant program.

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Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<u>Water Development Board</u>						
Capital Budget	VI-51, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VI-35	VI-49	VI-52, Rider #2, Rider Packet, page VI-35	VI-49		Senate provides additional non-General Revenue Capital Budget Authority for six projects: -PC and Server Replacement (\$217,064) -Strategic Mapping Pool (\$616,000) -TxWise (\$25,000) -Water Information Integration and Dissemination Project (\$279,524) -Vehicles and Boats (\$140,000) -Gauging and Other Equipment (\$9,000)
Transfer Authorized	VI-52, Rider #3 Rider Packet, page VI-36		VI-52, Rider #3 Rider Packet, page VI-36			Technical Correction: Rider 3 in Senate does not include accurate amounts for regional planning grants across strategies.

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	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Appropriation: Water Assistance Fund		VI-52, Rider #5 Rider Packet, page VI-36		VI-52, Rider #5 Rider Packet, page VI-36		Technical Correction: Rider 5 in Senate does not include accurate amount of appropriations out of the Water Assistance Fund.
Capital Budget Expenditures: Federal Funds and Appropriated Receipts Exemption		VI-53, Rider #15 Rider Packet, page VI-37		VI-54, Rider #15 Rider Packet, page VI-37		House includes provision stating it is the intent of the Legislature that the expenditure of funds pursuant to this rider not create any ongoing operating cost.
Playa Lakes Study				VI-55, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VI-37		Senate authorizes the Water Development Board to conduct a Playa Lakes Study up to \$69,000 in each fiscal year.
				See also Article XI, page XI-4		

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Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
<u>Debt Service Payments - Non-self Supporting G.O. Water Bonds</u>		VI-54		VI-55		
A.1.1, EDAP Debt Service	\$ 23,178,885	\$ 23,099,985	\$ 25,161,663	\$ 27,166,077	\$ 6,048,870	Senate provides \$6.0 million in debt service and the authority to issue \$100 million in G.O. bonds for the Economically Distressed Areas Program.
A.1.3, WIF Debt Service	\$ 67,395,537	\$ 66,828,500	\$ 71,351,370	\$ 71,678,846	\$ 8,806,179	Senate provides \$8.8 million in debt service and the authority to issue \$200 million in G.O. bonds for the Water Infrastructure Fund.
Payment of Debt Service: Economically Distressed Areas Bonds		VI-55, Rider #1 Rider Packet, page VI-38		VI-55, Rider #1 Rider Packet, page VI-38		Senate provides \$6.0 million in debt service and the authority to issue \$100 million in G.O. bonds for the Economically Distressed Areas Program.

Agency/Item	<u>House</u>		<u>Senate</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Payment of Debt Service: Water Infrastructure Fund Bonds	VI-56, Rider #3 Rider Packet, page VI-39		VI-56, Rider #3 Rider Packet, page VI-39			Senate provides \$8.8 million in debt service and the authority to issue \$200 million in G.O. bonds for the Water Infrastructure Fund.