### **Rider Comparison Packet**

**Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1** 

**2014-15 General Appropriations Bill** 

**Article VI - Natural Resources** 

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- **13. Appropriation: Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.2.1, Nutrition Assistance, is \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2014 to be used to fund the Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program to offset the costs of harvesting, gleaning and transporting agricultural products to Texas food banks.
- **20. Equine Incentive Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above, any fees collected in accordance with Section 12.044 of the Agriculture Code in fiscal year 2014 and fiscal year 2015 (estimated to be \$25,000 in each fiscal year) are hereby appropriated to the Department of Agriculture, from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy A.1.1, Economic Development.
- 27. Colonia Set-Aside Program Allocation. The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) shall continue the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Colonia Set-Aside Program by allocating not less than 10 percent of the yearly allocation of CDBG funds for eligible activities to assist in providing for the housing, planning, and infrastructure needs in colonias. From this 10 percent yearly allocation, 34 percent of the Colonia Set-Aside Allocation shall be reserved to provide financial assistance to units of general local government located in economically distressed areas as defined by §17.921, Water Code, to pay for residential service lines, hookups, and plumbing improvements associated with being connected to a water supply or sewer service system, any part of which is financed under the economically distressed areas program established under Subchapter J, Chapter 16, Water Code and Subchapter K, Chapter 17, Water Code.

In addition, TDA shall allocate 2.5 percent of the CDBG monies to support the operation of the Colonia Self-Help Centers and shall transfer such funds to the Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

- **13. Appropriation: Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.2.1, Nutrition Assistance, is \$2,900,000 in fiscal year 2014 to be used to fund the Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program to offset the costs of harvesting, gleaning and transporting agricultural products to Texas food banks.
- **20. Equine Incentive Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Economic Development, are any fees collected in accordance with Section 12.044 of the Agriculture Code in fiscal year 2014 and fiscal year 2015 (estimated to be \$25,000 in each fiscal year).
- 27. Colonia Set-Aside Program Allocation. The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) shall continue the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Colonia Set-Aside Program by allocating not less than 10 percent of the yearly allocation of CDBG funds for eligible activities to assist in providing for the housing, planning, and infrastructure needs in colonias. From this 10 percent yearly allocation, \$2,000,000 shall be reserved to provide financial assistance to units of general local government located in economically distressed areas as defined by § 17.921, Water Code, to pay for residential service lines, hookups, and plumbing improvements associated with being connected to a water supply or sewer service system, any part of which is financed under the economically distressed areas program established under Subchapter J, Chapter 16, Water Code and Subchapter K, Chapter 17, Water Code.

In addition, TDA shall allocate 2.5 percent of the CDBG monies to support the operation of the Colonia Self-Help Centers and shall transfer such funds to the Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

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**34. ACE for Health Pilot Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.2.1, Nutrition Assistance, is \$300,000 in fiscal year 2014 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2015, to be used to fund an Access, Continuity and Education with Fruits and Vegetables for our Youth or ACE for Health pilot program.

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- 8. Appropriation: Air Quality Planning. Included in amounts appropriated above out of the Clean Air Account No. 151 in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$3,537,500 for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013 for air quality planning activities to reduce ozone in areas not designated as nonattainment areas during the 2012-13 biennium and as approved by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). These areas may include Waco, El Paso, Beaumont, Austin, Corpus Christi, Longview-Tyler-Marshall, San Antonio, and Victoria. These activities may be carried out through interlocal agreements or contracts and may include: identifying, inventorying, and monitoring of pollution levels; modeling pollution levels; and the identification, quantification, and implementation of appropriate locally enforceable pollution reduction controls. The TCEQ shall allocate these funds in such a way as to channel the funds to those projects most useful for the State Implementation Plan (SIP). The areas receiving funds shall submit work plans for TCEQ approval describing the work they will complete with those funds.
- 8. Appropriation: Air Quality Planning. Included in amounts appropriated above out of the Clean Air Account No. 151 in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$5,000,500 for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013 for air quality planning activities to reduce ozone in areas not designated as nonattainment areas during the 2012-13 biennium and as approved by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). These areas may include Waco, El Paso, Beaumont, Austin, Corpus Christi, Granbury, Longview-Tyler-Marshall, San Antonio, and Victoria. These activities may be carried out through interlocal agreements or contracts and may include: identifying, inventorying, and monitoring of pollution levels; modeling pollution levels; and the identification, quantification, and implementation of appropriate locally enforceable pollution reduction controls. The TCEQ shall allocate these funds in such a way as to channel the funds to those projects most useful for the State Implementation Plan (SIP). The areas receiving funds shall submit work plans for TCEQ approval describing the work they will complete with those funds.
- 17. Environmental Health Institute. Out of amounts appropriated above, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) shall use up to \$500,000 out of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Fee Account No. 550 during the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013 for the support of the Texas Environmental Health Institute (TEHI) established in conjunction with the Department of State Health Services in Health and Safety Code, Chapter 427.

Any penalty amounts generated during the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013 from the TCEQ's administrative or civil enforcement actions that are invested in a Supplemental Environmental Project conducted by the TEHI or by any other organization in association with the TEHI, shall be considered an expenditure of the TCEQ for the purpose of supporting the TEHI.

- **Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Grants and Administration.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$90,759,951 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the Texas Emissions Reduction
- **22. Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Grants and Administration.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$63,700,876 in fiscal year 2014 and \$65,163,876 in fiscal year 2015 biennium out of the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) Account No. 5071. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code

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Plan (TERP) Account No. 5071. Pursuant to Health and Safety Code §386.252, the table below provides an estimated allocation for the TERP Account No. 5071 appropriations for each authorized use of the funds for the 2014-15 biennium.

| PROGRAM   | FY 2014      | FY 2015      |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| TCEQ Administration                               | \$ 3,400,000 | \$ 3,400,000 |
| Regional Air Monitoring Program                   | \$ 3,000,000 | \$ 3,000,000 |
| Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants              | \$54,870,366 | \$54,870,366 |
| Texas Clean Fleet Program                         | \$ 4,537,998 | \$ 4,537,998 |
| Texas Clean School Bus (maximum)                  | \$ 3,630,398 | \$ 3,630,398 |
| Texas Natural Gas Vehicle Grant Program (minimum) | \$14,521,592 | \$14,521,592 |
| Clean Transportation Triangle Program (maximum)   | \$ 3,630,398 | \$ 3,630,398 |
| Alternative Fueling Facilities Program (maximum)  | \$ 1,815,200 | \$ 1,815,200 |
| Health Effects Study (maximum)                    | \$ 200,000   | \$ 200,000   |
| Research  | \$ 1,000,000 | \$ 1,000,000 |
| Energy Systems Laboratory Contract (maximum)      | \$ 216,000   | \$ 216,000   |
| TOTAL   | \$90,759,951 | \$90,759,951 |
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The TCEQ is hereby authorized to reallocate unexpended balances between programs to meet the objectives of the TERP program, provided such reallocations are within the statutory limitations on the use of TERP Account No. 5071 as set forth in Health and Safety Code §386.252.

25. Low-Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP). Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the Clean Air Account No. 151 in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$5,625,000 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium in estimated fee revenues from vehicle inspection and maintenance fees generated pursuant to Health and Safety Code, §§382.202 and 382.302, to fund the Low-income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP). Of the amounts, not more than \$40,375 in each fiscal year shall be used by

§386.252, the table below provides an estimated allocation for the TERP Account No. 5071 appropriations for each authorized use of the funds for the 2014-15 biennium. **PROGRAM** FY 2014 FY 2015 \$ 3,200,000 **TCEO** Administration \$ 3,200,000 Regional Air Monitoring Program \$ 2,268,500 \$ 3,000,000 **Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants** \$36,615,574 \$37,347,074 Texas Clean Fleet Program \$ 3,258,194 \$ 3,258,194 Texas Clean School Bus (maximum) \$ 2,606,555 \$ 2,606,555 Texas Natural Gas Vehicle Grant Program (maximum) \$10,426,220 \$10,426,220 Clean Transportation Triangle Program (maximum) \$ 2,606,555 \$ 2,606,555 Alternative Fueling Facilities Program (maximum) \$ 1.303.278 \$ 1.303,278 Health Effects Study (maximum) \$ 200,000 \$ 200,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 Research Energy Systems Laboratory Contract (maximum) \$ 216,000 \$ 216,000 TOTAL \$63,700,876 \$65,163,876

The TCEQ is hereby authorized to reallocate unexpended balances between programs to meet the objectives of the TERP program, provided such reallocations are within the statutory limitations on the use of TERP Account No. 5071 as set forth in Health and Safety Code §386.252.

26. Low-Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP). Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the Clean Air Account No. 151 in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$7,039,640 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium in estimated fee revenues from vehicle inspection and maintenance fees generated pursuant to Health and Safety Code, \$\$382.202 and 382.302, to fund the Low-income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP). Of the amounts, not more than \$40,375 in each fiscal year shall be used by

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the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for costs associated with administering the LIRAP as authorized in Health and Safety Code, §382.202, and all remaining funds shall be used as LIRAP grants to local governments.

Also included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$625,000 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the Clean Air Account No. 151 to be used only for purposes authorized in Chapter 382 of the Health and Safety Code for county-implemented local initiatives projects to reduce air emissions, including but not limited to the following: the expansion of AirCheck Texas Repair and Replacement Assistance Program; development and implementation of remote emissionssensing systems, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ) Smoking Vehicle program, and the enhancement of transportation system improvements; and coordination with local law enforcement to reduce counterfeit inspection stickers.

In addition to the amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the TCEQ for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013 any additional revenues from vehicle inspection and maintenance fees generated from additional counties participating in the LIRAP beginning on or after September 1, 2013. Such funds shall be used to provide grants to local governments and to cover administrative costs of the TCEQ in administering the LIRAP.

the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for costs associated with administering the LIRAP as authorized in Health and Safety Code, §382.202, and all remaining funds shall be used as LIRAP grants to local governments.

Also included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, is \$625,000 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the Clean Air Account No. 151 to be used only for purposes authorized in Chapter 382 of the Health and Safety Code for county-implemented local initiatives projects to reduce air emissions, including but not limited to the following: the expansion of AirCheck Texas Repair and Replacement Assistance Program; development and implementation of remote emissionssensing systems, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ) Smoking Vehicle program, and the enhancement of transportation system improvements; and coordination with local law enforcement to reduce counterfeit inspection stickers.

Of the amounts appropriated above for LIRAP grants and local initiative projects is an estimated \$1,196,172 each fiscal year in estimated fee revenue generated from Travis County and \$483,736 each fiscal year in estimated LIRAP fee revenue generated from Williamson County. The TCEQ shall allocate, at a minimum, the estimated revenue amounts collected in each of the counties during the 2014-15 biennium to provide LIRAP grants and local initiatives projects in those counties.

In addition to the amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the TCEQ for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013 any additional revenues from vehicle inspection and maintenance fees generated from additional counties participating in the LIRAP beginning on or after September 1, 2013. Such funds shall be used to provide grants to local governments and to cover administrative costs of the TCEQ in administering the LIRAP.

- **29. Appropriation: Fee Revenue for Newly-Created Watermaster Program.** Contingent upon the creation of a watermaster office that was not existence as of January 1, 2013, and in addition to amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the Commission on
- **30. Appropriation: Fee Revenues for Newly-Created Watermaster Programs.** Contingent upon the creation of a watermaster office that was not in existence as of January 1, 2013, and in addition to amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the Commission on

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Environmental Quality for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013, an amount not to exceed \$674,431 in fiscal year 2014 and not to exceed \$595,977 in fiscal year 2015 in Strategy A.2.2, Water Resource Permitting, in fee revenues collected and deposited to the Watermaster Administration Account No. 158 resulting from the establishment of not more than one newly created watermaster program. This appropriation shall be limited to amounts deposited to the Watermaster Administration Account No. 158 in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2014-15. The funds shall be used to cover costs related to the new watermaster program.

Environmental Quality for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013, all fee revenues collected and deposited to the Watermaster Administration Account No. 158 resulting from the establishment of any such newly created watermaster programs and in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for 2014-15 (estimated to be \$0). The funds shall be used to cover costs related to the new watermaster program. In addition, the agency's Capital Budget authority is hereby increased by the amount necessary to cover the purchase of Capital Budget items needed to support the new program, including vehicles and water monitoring equipment.

The Commission on Environmental Quality is hereby exempt from limitations on the Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) positions contained in the General Provisions of this Act to the extent that the additional FTEs are necessary to implement any newly-created watermaster program.

- 30. Appropriation: Unexpended Balances from Cost Recovery for Site Remediation and Cleanups. In addition to amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the Commission on Environmental Quality for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013, any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2013, remaining in the Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Account No. 550 which were received from responsible parties as cost recovery payments for site remediations and cleanups undertaken by the agency (estimated to be \$0). The funds shall be used to pay the cost of site cleanups and remediations during the biennium beginning on September 1, 2014.
- 31. Appropriation: Unexpended Balances from Cost Recovery for Site Remediation and Cleanups. In addition to amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the Commission on Environmental Quality for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013, any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2013 (estimated to be \$0), remaining in the Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Fee Account No. 550 which were received from responsible parties as cost recovery payments for site remediations and cleanups undertaken by the agency. The funds shall be used to pay the cost of site cleanups and remediations during the biennium beginning on September 1, 2013.
- **32. Appropriation:** Environmental Remediation of a Closed Battery Recycling Facility. Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.1.2, Hazardous Materials Cleanup, is \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2014. The funds shall be used for environmental remediation at a site of a closed battery recycling facility in a city with a population in excess of 120,000 which has within its limits a closed battery recycling facility,

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and which has submitted to the Commission on Environmental Quality a Voluntary Cleanup Plan related to the site.

Any unexpended balances remaining in this appropriation on August 31, 2014, are hereby appropriated for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2014.

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- 5. Appropriation of Receipts: Land Sales Expenses. Pursuant to §§ 31.1571, 31.158 and 32.112, Natural Resources Code, there is hereby appropriated to the General Land Office all Appropriated Receipts from land sales sufficient to cover the usual and customary costs of conducting real estate transactions as authorized to be retained by the General Land Office and the School Land Board (estimated to be \$0 during the 2014-15 biennium).
- 10. Real Property Investment Reporting. The General Land Office shall submit to the Governor and the Legislature not later than September 1 of each even-numbered year and not later than January 1 of each odd-numbered year a report on investment activity in the Real Estate Special Fund Account of the Permanent School Fund No. 44 as prescribed in Natural Resources Code § 51.412 (a) and (b).
- Natural Resources Code, § 51.412 (a) and (b), on or before January 1 of each year, the General Land Office shall submit to the Governor and Legislature a report on investment activity and fund performance of the Real Estate Special Fund Account (RESFA) of the Permanent School Fund (PSF) No. 44 of the most recently completed fiscal year. The report shall include the amount of funds invested each year in the acquisition of real property, as well as the amount the GLO expects to invest on real property acquisitions in the following fiscal year. The report shall include the amount of funds expended from the RESFA of the PSF No. 44 as well as the amount of funds deposited to the RESFA of the PSF No. 44 as a result of real property sales, leases, or other investment income. The report required by January 1 of an odd-numbered year may be submitted in conjunction with the report required in Natural Resources Code § 51.412 (b) that assesses the return and economic impact of investments.

19. Appropriation: Coastal Management and Coastal Erosion Control. Included in amounts appropriated above out of Interagency Contracts is \$309,669 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium in Strategy A.1.5, Coastal Leasing and Inspection, \$2,119,659 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium in Strategy B.1.1, Coastal Management, and \$8,804,632 in each fiscal year in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium in Strategy B.1.2, Coastal Erosion Control Grants. The General Land Office (GLO) shall enter into an Interagency Contract with the Parks and Wildlife Department for coastal management and coastal erosion control purposes from proceeds of the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 in the amount of \$11,233,960 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium.

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- **20. Appropriation: Preservation and Maintenance of the Alamo.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain Alamo Complex, is \$5,931,342 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the Alamo Complex Account No. 5152 from revenues derived to the account pursuant to Natural Resources Code, §31.454. In addition to amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the General Land Office in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain Alamo Complex, any revenues received to the Alamo Complex Account in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE) for 2014-15. The funds shall be used during the 2014-15 biennium for the administration, preservation, repair, renovation, improvement, expansion, equipping, operation, and maintenance of the Alamo Complex or to acquire historical items appropriate to the Complex, as authorized in Natural Resources Code, Chapter 31, Subchapter I.
- appropriation: Preservation and Maintenance of the Alamo. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain Alamo Complex, is \$750,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium. Also included is \$5,931,342 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the Alamo Complex Account No. 5152 from revenues derived to the account pursuant to Natural Resources Code, § 31.454. In addition to amounts appropriated above, there is hereby appropriated to the General Land Office in Strategy A.3.1, Preserve and Maintain Alamo Complex, any revenues received to the Alamo Complex Account in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE) for 2014-15. The funds shall be used during the 2014-15 biennium for the administration, preservation, repair, renovation, improvement, expansion, equipping, operation, and maintenance of the Alamo Complex or to acquire historical items appropriate to the Complex, as authorized in Natural Resources Code, Chapter 31, Subchapter I.
- 21. Report of Cost-Benefit Analysis of State Power Program. The General Land Office in administering the State Power Program using funds appropriated by this Act shall perform a cost-benefit analysis of outcome performances for the program and, not later than December 31, 2013, shall submit a report of the analysis to the Legislative Budget Board.

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9. Appropriation: State-owned Housing Authorized. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) shall recover at least 20 percent of the established fair market rental value of housing from persons residing in state-owned housing first employed before September 1, 2005 and 100 percent of the established fair market rental value of housing from persons residing in state-owned housing employed on or after September 1, 2005. If the TPWD requires an employee to live on-site in state-owned housing as a condition of employment, then the TPWD shall recover at least 20 percent of the established market rental value of housing regardless of the date of employment.

Included in the amounts appropriated above is rental income collected from employee housing (estimated to be \$25,000 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation; estimated to be \$21,000 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy A.2.2, Inland Hatcheries Operations; estimated to be \$5,500 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy A.2.4, Coastal Hatcheries Operations; and, estimated to be \$250,000 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy B.1.2, Parks Minor Repair Program, and estimated to be \$3,200 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy C.1.2, Texas Game Warden Training Center.) The recovered funds are appropriated to the TPWD for maintenance or replacement of employee housing.

Additionally, notwithstanding the provisions in Article IX of this Act, the TPWD is authorized to expend amounts in excess of \$25,000 per residence for the biennium as necessary to purchase, remodel, repair or replace state-owned housing, provided that the agency submits advanced notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor.

17. Informational Listing - Appropriation of Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST). Included in amounts appropriated in this Act are \$65,853,909 in fiscal year 2014 and \$64,213,383 in fiscal year 2015, or \$130,067,292 for the 2014-15 biennium, in sales tax receipts deposited to the General Revenue Fund estimated to be generated by sales of sporting goods items.

The following is an informational listing of Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST) receipts appropriated in this Act by agency, account and strategy.

9. Appropriation: State-owned Housing Authorized. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) shall recover at least 20 percent of the established fair market rental value of housing from persons residing in state-owned housing first employed before September 1, 2005 and 100 percent of the established fair market rental value of housing from persons residing in state-owned housing employed on or after September 1, 2005. If the TPWD requires an employee to live on-site in state-owned housing as a condition of employment, then the TPWD shall recover at least 20 percent of the established market rental value of housing regardless of the date of employment.

Included in the amounts appropriated above is rental income collected from employee housing (estimated to be \$25,000 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation; estimated to be \$21,000 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy A.2.2, Inland Hatcheries Operations; estimated to be \$5,500 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy A.2.4, Coastal Hatcheries Operations; and, estimated to be \$250,000 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy B.1.2, Parks Minor Repair Program, and estimated to be \$3,200 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year in Strategy C.1.2, Texas Game Warden Training Center). The recovered funds are appropriated to the TPWD for maintenance or replacement of employee housing.

Additionally, notwithstanding the provisions in Article IX of this Act, the TPWD is authorized to expend amounts in excess of \$100,000 per residence for the biennium as necessary to purchase, remodel, repair or replace state-owned housing, provided that the agency submits advanced notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor.

17. Informational Listing - Appropriation of Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST). Included in amounts appropriated in this Act are \$58,427,939 in fiscal year 2014 and \$53,703,023 in fiscal year 2015, or \$112,130,962 for the 2014-15 biennium, in sales tax receipts deposited to the General Revenue Fund estimated to be generated by sales of sporting goods items.

The following is an informational listing of Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST) receipts appropriated in this Act by agency, account and strategy.

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|---|----------------------|-------------------|---|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|   |                      | ears Ending       |   | August 31,             | August 31,                           |
|   | August 31,           | August 31,        |   | 2014                   | 2015                                 |
|   | 2014                 | 2015              | Article I   |                        |                                      |
| Article I   |                      |                   | Texas Historical Commission (THC)                               |                        |                                      |
| Texas Historical Commission (THC)                 |                      |                   | General Revenue (Sporting Goods Sales Tax)                      |                        |                                      |
| General Revenue (Sporting Goods Sales Tax)        |                      |                   |   | <b>4.4.022.020</b>     | <b>*</b> 4 0 <b>2 2</b> 0 <b>2</b> 0 |
|   |                      | 4.0.0             | A.1.4, Historic Sites   | \$4,932,929            | \$4,932,929                          |
| A.1.4, Historic Sites                             | \$4,962,929          | \$4,962,929       | A.2.1, Development Assistance                                   | \$ 69,586              | \$ 69,585                            |
| A.2.1, Development Assistance                     | \$ 69,586            | \$ 69,585         | Subtotal  | \$5,002,515            | \$5,002,514                          |
| Subtotal  | \$5,032,515          | \$5,032,514       |   |                        |                                      |
|   |                      |                   | Article VI  |                        |                                      |
| Article VI  |                      |                   | Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD)                      |                        |                                      |
| Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD)        |                      |                   | SGST Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated                  | State Parks Account No | . 64                                 |
| SGST Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated S  | tate Parks Account N | o. 64             |   |                        |                                      |
|   |                      |                   | B.1.1, State Park Operations                                    | \$41,283,088           | \$40,636,592                         |
| B.1.1, State Park Operations                      | \$40,381,088         | \$39,734,591      | B.1.2, Park Minor Repair  | \$ 109,315             | \$ 109,315                           |
| B.1.2, Park Minor Repair                          | \$ 109,315           | \$ 109,315        | B.1.3, Parks Support  | \$ 3,507               | \$ 3,507                             |
| B.1.3, Parks Support                              | \$ 3,507             | \$ 3,507          | C.2.2, Promote TPWD Efforts                                     | \$ 4,283               | \$ 12,850                            |
| C.2.2, Promote TPWD Efforts                       | \$ 4,283             | \$ 12,849         | D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs                           | \$ 3,500,000           | \$ 0                                 |
| D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs             | \$11,433,960         | \$11,233,960      | D.1.3, Infrastructure Administration                            | \$ 77,586              | \$ 67,308                            |
| D.1.3, Infrastructure Administration              | \$ 77,586            | \$ 67,308         | E.1.2, Information Resources                                    | <u>\$ 904,303</u>      | <u>\$ 300,000</u>                    |
| E.1.2, Information Resources                      | \$ 1,058,479         | <u>\$ 448,402</u> | Subtotal  | \$45,882,082           | \$41,129,572                         |
| Subtotal  | \$53,068,218         | \$51,609,932      |   |                        |                                      |
|   |                      |                   | SGST Transfer to the Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467 |                        |                                      |
| SGST Transfer to the Texas Recreation and Parks A | ccount No. 467       |                   |   |                        |                                      |
|   |                      |                   | B.2.1, Local Park Grants  | \$260,688              | \$260,688                            |
| B.2.1, Local Park Grants                          | \$260,688            | \$260,688         | B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants                          | <u>\$160,249</u>       | <u>\$160,249</u>                     |
| B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants            | <u>\$160,249</u>     | <u>\$160,249</u>  | Subtotal  | \$420,937              | \$420,937                            |
| Subtotal  | \$420,937            | \$420,937         |   |                        |                                      |

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SGST Transfer to the Large County and Municipality Recreation and Parks Account No. 5150

| B.2.1, Local Park Grants               | \$173,792        | \$173,792 |
|--|------------------|-----------|
| B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants | <u>\$128,293</u> | \$128,293 |
| Subtotal                               | \$302,085        | \$302,085 |

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SGST Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64

A.1.1, Bond Debt Service Payments \$7,030,154 \$6,847,915

- **26.** Coastal Erosion Interagency Contract. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Improvements and Repairs, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department shall use \$11,233,960 each fiscal year out of the Sporting Goods Sales Tax transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 to contract with the General Land Office for coastal erosion projects. Payments shall be made to the General Land Office in two equal installments in December and June of each fiscal year after sufficient Sporting Goods Sales Tax revenue has been deposited into the State Parks Account No. 64 by the Comptroller.
- 27. Appropriation of Receipts out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Accounts. For the biennium beginning September 1, 2013, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is appropriated, in estimated amounts included above, any additional revenues that are earned in excess of the amounts reflected in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimates for fiscal year 2013 (published in January 2011) and for fiscal year 2014 (published in January 2013). Unexpended balances of certified amounts carried forward from fiscal year 2013 to fiscal year 2014 are not to exceed \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water

SGST Transfer to the Large County and Municipality Recreation and Parks Account No. 5150

| B.2.1, Local Park Grants               | \$173,792        | \$173,792 |
|--|------------------|-----------|
| B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants | <u>\$128,293</u> | \$128,293 |
| Subtotal                               | \$302,085        | \$302,085 |

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SGST Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64

A.1.1, Bond Debt Service Payments \$6,820,320 \$6,847,915

**27. Appropriation of Receipts out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Accounts.** For the biennium beginning September 1, 2013, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is hereby appropriated any additional revenues that are earned in excess of the amounts reflected in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for each year of the biennium from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9, and the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64.

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Safety Account No. 9, and \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64.

For fiscal year 2014, an analysis of actual revenues earned in excess of the amounts reflected in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate will be submitted to the Comptroller, the Legislative Budget Board, and the Governor at the end of fiscal year 2014 with the increase in appropriation being utilized in fiscal year 2014. Any fiscal year 2014 revenue collections in excess of the Biennial Revenue Estimate (published January 2013) as of August 31, 2014 are appropriated for fiscal year 2015 in amounts not to exceed \$200,000 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9, and \$1,853,000 from the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64.

Estimated unexpended balances and contingent amounts in this provision from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 are included above in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation and from the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64 are included above in Strategy B.1.1, State Park Operations, but may be allocated as the agency deems appropriate to any strategy with appropriations from the Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 or the State Parks Account No. 64.

TPWD is authorized to expend these funds for purposes authorized by the Parks and Wildlife Code, including capital budget purposes. Such expenditures must comply with limitations established for salary, capital expenditures, employment levels, and other provisions contained in Article IX of this Act.

An analysis of actual revenues earned in excess of the amounts reflected in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate will be submitted to the Comptroller, the Legislative Budget Board, and the Governor at the end of each fiscal year with the increase in appropriation being utilized in the following fiscal year. Any fiscal year 2013 revenue collections as of August 31, 2013 that are in excess of amounts certified by the Comptroller are appropriated for fiscal year 2014. Any fiscal year 2013 unexpended balances from additional revenue collections in excess of the Biennial Revenue Estimate (published January 2013) as of August 31, 2014 are appropriated for fiscal year 2015.

TPWD is authorized to expend these funds for purposes authorized by the Parks and Wildlife Code, including capital budget purposes. Such expenditures must comply with limitations established for salary and capital expenditures, employment levels, and other provisions contained in Article IX of this Act.

- **28. Exception for Game Warden Cadet Meals.** Notwithstanding any restrictions on the purchase of food by a state agency, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is authorized to provide meals to cadets at the Texas Game Warden Training Center. In addition, the TPWD shall recover from cadets through payroll reductions the actual costs for providing meals at the training center. Such funds are hereby appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Texas Game Warden Training Center (estimated to be \$0 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year)
- **26. Exception for Game Warden Cadet Meals.** Notwithstanding any restrictions on the purchase of food by a state agency, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is authorized to provide meals to cadets at the Texas Game Warden Training Center. In addition, the TPWD may recover from cadets through payroll reductions the actual costs for providing meals at the training center. Such funds are hereby appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Texas Game Warden Training Center (estimated to be \$0 in Appropriated Receipts each fiscal year)

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to purchase meals or food services. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2014 are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014.

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- 35. Appropriation: Youth Sports Fitness and Recreation Programs. Included in amounts appropriated above, in Strategy B.2.1, Local Park Grants, is \$500,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in each year of the 2014-15 biennium to be used to establish a grant program for statewide non-profit organizations. Such organizations shall provide facility-based, after-school and summer programs for young people and be staffed by full-time trained youth development professionals. The funds shall be for an expansion of professionally-managed athletic leagues; outdoor recreation and nutrition education programs; and tested, proven, and nationally-recognized character and leadership programs. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department shall award the grants through a competitive process, which shall require grant applicants to provide 50 percent in matching funds.
- **38. Testing and Immunization of Employees.** Funds appropriated above may be expended for any immunization or testing which is required of employees at risk in the performance of the employee's duties.
- 38. Northern Bobwhite Quail Interagency Contract. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department shall use \$1,000,000 each fiscal year from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9. to contract with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service for the following purposes: develop educational resources and programs to reestablish growth of quail populations based on research-proven best management practices; investigations into the impact of parasites and toxins on quail populations; diagnostic tests for diseases impacting quail populations, genomic sequencing and bioinformatics studies; field tests to study how health factors interact with environmental factors to impact quail populations; and develop a centralized data repository of research findings.

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- 39. Franklin Mountains and Fort Boggy State Parks. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs is \$3,500,000 in fiscal year 2014 from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 to construct a visitors center at Franklin Mountains State Parks (\$3,000,000) and to fund capital repairs at Fort Boggy State Park (\$500,000). Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 in funds appropriated for this purpose are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014.
- **39. Wildlife Diversity Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Wildlife Conservation, is \$3,696,742 in fiscal year 2014 and \$3,384,242 in fiscal year 2015 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9, including 12 FTEs for the wildlife diversity program, with a focus on conservation strategies that would the prevent the need for a species to be listed as endangered by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Included in these amounts are \$2,320,000 in fiscal year 2014 and \$2,180,000 in fiscal year 2015 in pass-through grants for this same purpose.
- **40. Big Springs State Park.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs is \$200,000 in fiscal year 2014 from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 to repair or replace a Work Projects Administration (WPA) building at the park.
- **41. Statewide Aquatic Vegetation Management.** Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Inland Fisheries Management, \$150,137 in each fiscal year from General Revenue, \$263,346 in each fiscal year from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and
- **40. Statewide Aquatic Vegetation Management.** Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Inland Fisheries Management, \$750,000 in each fiscal year from General Revenue, \$263,346 in each fiscal year from the General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and

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Water Safety Account No. 9, and \$156,654 in each fiscal year from federal funds and 5.0 FTEs shall be used to maintain boat lanes, general access, and outdoor recreational activities, and to improve fish and wildlife habitat on water bodies statewide. Any unexpended balances of these amounts as of August 31, 2014, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014. Use of the federal funds referenced above is contingent upon receipt of a federal boating access grant under the Sportfish Restoration Act by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

**42. Appropriation Authority for General Obligation Bond Proceeds.** Appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs, in fiscal year 2014 is \$28,068,000 in General Obligation Bond Proceeds for projects for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as described in Article IX, Sec. 17.02, Appropriation of Proposition 4 General Obligation Bond Proceeds.

All projects funded herein with general obligation bond proceeds are subject to approval by the Legislative Budget Board prior to issuance of the bond proceeds by the Texas Public Finance Authority. Any unexpended and unobligated balances in General Obligation Bond Proceeds described herein and remaining as of August 31, 2014 are hereby appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014 for the same purpose(s).

Water Safety Account No. 9, and \$156,654 in each fiscal year from federal funds and 5.0 FTEs shall be used to maintain boat lanes, general access, and outdoor recreational activities, and to improve fish and wildlife habitat on water bodies statewide. Any unexpended balances of these amounts as of August 31, 2014, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014. Use of the federal funds referenced above is contingent upon receipt of a federal boating access grant under the Sportfish Restoration Act by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

41. Appropriation Authority for General Obligation Bond Proceeds. Appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs, in fiscal year 2014 is \$11,000,000 in General Obligation Bond Proceeds for projects for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as described in Article IX, Sec. 17.02, Appropriation of Proposition 4 General Obligation Bond Proceeds.

All projects funded herein with general obligation bond proceeds are subject to approval by the Legislative Budget Board prior to issuance of the bond proceeds by the Texas Public Finance Authority. Any unexpended and unobligated balances in General Obligation Bond Proceeds described herein and remaining as of August 31, 2014 are hereby appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014 for the same purpose(s).

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16. Contingent Revenue Appropriation: General Counsel Enforcement. Included in the amounts appropriated above is \$80,620 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy B.1.2, Pipeline Damage Prevention, and \$204,860 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium out of the Oil and Gas Regulatory and Cleanup (OGRC) Account No. 5155 to supplement funding for activities related to the enforcement of Railroad Commission rules. In addition, included in the Number of Full-Time-Equivalent (FTE) positions indicated above includes 4.0 in each fiscal year of the 2014-15 biennium designated to supplement enforcement activities at the agency.

This appropriation and the 4.0 FTEs are contingent on the Railroad Commission increasing the Pipeline Safety Fee and the Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Fee Surcharge and is limited to amounts received in excess of the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE) for 2014-15 for Revenue Object Code 3533 in the General Revenue Fund pursuant to Utilities Code, Section 121.211, and Revenue Object Code 3310 in the OGRC Account No. 5155 pursuant to Natural Resources Code, Section 81.170.

This appropriation also is contingent upon the Railroad Commission assessing fees to generate during the 2014-15 biennium, revenue sufficient to cover the above appropriations as well as "Other direct and indirect costs" of the program appropriated elsewhere in this Act. "Other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$75,837 in fiscal year 2014 and \$75,837 in fiscal year 2015. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset these costs identified in this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts to reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

The Railroad Commission, upon completion of necessary actions to increase the Pipeline Safety Fee and the Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Fee Surcharge, shall furnish copies of the minutes and other information supporting the estimated revenues to be generated for the 2014-15 biennium under the revised fee structure to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. If the Comptroller finds the information sufficient to support the projection of increased revenues in excess of those estimated in the BRE for 2014-15, a finding of fact to that effect shall be issued and the contingency appropriation shall be made available for the intended purpose.

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17. **High-Cost Housing Salary Supplement.** Out of funds appropriated above, the Railroad Commission is hereby authorized to pay a salary supplement, not to exceed \$1,200 per month, to each Commission employee whose duty station is located in an area of the state in which the high cost of living is causing excessive employee turnover, as determined by the Commission. This salary supplement shall be in addition to the maximum salary rate authorized for that position elsewhere in this Act. In the event that an employee so assigned works on a less than full-time basis, the maximum salary supplement shall be set on a basis proportionate to the number of hours worked.

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21. Demonstration Projects for Near-Term Alternative Water Supplies. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.2, Water Resources Planning, the Water Development Board shall allocate \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2014 out of General Revenue, to fund grants for the construction of water reuse, desalination, aquifer storage and recovery or any other demonstration projects that will create new water supplies or otherwise increase the availability of water through use of innovative storage approaches that improve operational efficiencies. Such projects should be targeted to provide cost-effective water supplies within the next five years, and provide regional benefits estimated to increase by at least 10 percent the overall amount of reliable water supply that can be made available within a region to help meet the various competing demands for water, including those of agricultural, industrial, municipal and others.

The Water Development Board shall award the grants through a competitive process, which would require grant applicants to provide matching funds. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 out of appropriations made herein are appropriated to the Water Development Board for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014.

- 21. Water Conservation Education Grants. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Water Conservation and Assistance is \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2014 from General Revenue for the purpose of providing grants to water conservation education groups. The Water Development Board shall award the grants through a competitive process, which may require grant applicants to provide private matching funds. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 in funds appropriated for this purpose are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014.
- **22. Water Resources Planning.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.2.2., Water Resources Planning, is \$407,414 in fiscal year 2014 and \$326,474 in fiscal year 2015 from the General Revenue Fund to develop an online tool to consolidate reporting requirements related to the Water Use Survey, annual Water Loss Report, and annual Water Conservation Report. The agency shall also develop an online tool to quantify water conservation savings. The agency shall provide the ability for these reports to be completed,

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submitted and viewable by the public online. The agency's number of full-time equivalents is hereby increased by 4.8 in each year of the 2014-15 biennium.

**Texas Alliance for Water Conservation Demonstration Project.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Water Conservation Education and Assistance, is \$1,800,000 in each fiscal year from the Agricultural Water Conservation Fund No. 358, for the purpose of making grants to the Texas Alliance for Water Conservation Demonstration Project. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 in funds appropriated for this purpose are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2014.

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### ARTICLE VI - NATURAL RESOURCES 58A Debt Service Payments - Non-Self Supporting G.O. Water Bonds DIFFERENCES ONLY

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1. Payment of Debt Service: Economically Distressed Areas Bonds. All monies received by the Texas Water Development Board and deposited to the Economically Distressed Areas Bond Payment Account No. 357 are hereby appropriated for the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued to provide financial assistance for water and wastewater infrastructure through the Economically Distressed Areas Program that mature or become due during the biennium beginning with the effective date of this Act, pursuant to §§49-c, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, and 49-d-10 of Article III of the Texas Constitution and Water Code, Chapter 17, Subchapters C and L, including amounts issued prior to the effective date of this Act. The amounts identified above in the Method of Financing as the Economically Distressed Areas Bond Payment Account No. 357 are estimated amounts to be received from repayments of loan principal and interest on such bonds that mature or become due during the biennium.

Included in the amounts appropriated above, out of the General Revenue Fund, the Texas Water Development Board is also appropriated \$1,975,417 in fiscal year 2014 and \$2,090,675 in fiscal year 2015 for the payment of principal and interest on \$25,000,000 in Economically Distressed Areas Program Bonds hereby authorized to be issued and sold during the 2014-15 biennium to provide financial assistance for water and wastewater infrastructure through the Economically Distressed Areas Program pursuant to §§ 49-c, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, and 49-d-10 of Article III of the Texas Constitution and Water Code, Chapter 17, Subchapters C and L.

The actual amount of funds to be paid from the General Revenue Fund shall be the total amount of debt service obligations due in each fiscal year less the amount available in the Economically Distressed Areas Bond Payment Account No. 357 for Debt Service Payments for the Economically Distressed Areas Program. The provisions contained herein shall not be construed, however, to abrogate the obligation of the State under §§49-c, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, and 49-d-10 of Article III of the Texas Constitution to provide for the payment in full of the principal and interest on such bonds that mature or become due during the biennium.

Payment of Debt Service: Economically Distressed Areas Bonds. All monies received by the Texas Water Development Board and deposited to the Economically Distressed Areas Bond Payment Account No. 357 are hereby appropriated for the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued to provide financial assistance for water and wastewater infrastructure through the Economically Distressed Areas Program that mature or become due during the biennium beginning with the effective date of this Act, pursuant to §\$49-c, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, and 49-d-10 of Article III of the Texas Constitution and Water Code, Chapter 17, Subchapters C and L, including amounts issued prior to the effective date of this Act. The amounts identified above in the Method of Financing as the Economically Distressed Areas Bond Payment Account No. 357 are estimated amounts to be received from repayments of loan principal and interest on such bonds that mature or become due during the biennium.

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Included in the amounts appropriated above, out of the General Revenue Fund, the Texas Water Development Board is also appropriated \$1,975,417 in fiscal year 2014 and \$4,066,092 in fiscal year 2015 for the payment of principal and interest on \$50,000,000 in Economically Distressed Areas Program Bonds hereby authorized to be issued and sold during the 2014-15 biennium to provide financial assistance for water and wastewater infrastructure through the Economically Distressed Areas Program pursuant to §§ 49-c, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, and 49-d-10 of Article III of the Texas Constitution and Water Code, Chapter 17, Subchapters C and L.

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The actual amount of funds to be paid from the General Revenue Fund shall be the total amount of debt service obligations due in each fiscal year less the amount available in the Economically Distressed Areas Bond Payment Account No. 357 for Debt Service Payments for the Economically Distressed Areas Program. The provisions contained herein shall not be construed, however, to abrogate the obligation of the State under §§49-c, 49-d-7, 49-d-8, and 49-d-10 of Article III of the Texas Constitution to provide for the payment in full of the principal and interest on such bonds that mature or become due during the biennium.