

# **Issue Docket**

**Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1**

**2014-15 General Appropriations Bill**

**Article VII - Business and Economic Development**

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<b><u>DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS</u></b>		VII-I		VII-I		
A.1.3 HOUSING TRUST FUND	\$ 6,023,027	\$ 6,053,496	\$ 5,688,027	\$ 5,718,496	\$ 670,000	Senate provides \$1,170,000 in General Revenue for the Texas Veterans Housing Assistance Program (see also Senate Rider #16 below).  House provides \$500,000 in General Revenue for Low Income Manufacturing Housing Down Payment Grant Assistance (see Also House Rider #16 below).

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Transfer of the Veterans Housing Assistance Program		VII-7, Rider #16 Rider Packet, page VII-1				Senate adopts a rider requiring TDHCA to establish an Interagency Contract and transfer 10 percent of appropriations in Strategy A.1.3, not to exceed \$4,300,110 for the 2014-15 biennium (\$4,200,110 for grants and \$100,000 for administration), to the appropriate fund or account with the Texas Veterans Commission for the purpose of administering a Veterans Housing Assistance Program that will assist Texas veterans and their families in obtaining, maintaining or improving housing.
Low Income Manufacturing Housing Down Payment Grant Assistance				VII-7, Rider #16 Rider Packet, page VII-1		House adopts a rider requiring \$250,000 each fiscal year in General Revenue to be used to provide down payment grant assistance to eligible low income households purchasing a manufactured home for the purpose of acquiring safe, decent, and sanitary affordable housing.
See also Article XI				See also Article XI, House, page XI-12		

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<b><u>TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION</u></b>						
Technical Correction		VII-7		VII-7		Amend Rider #8, Local Bingo Prize Fees by changing statutory reference from Texas Occupations Code, Section 2001.504 to Texas Occupations Code, Section 2001.502 (see attached rider).
Appropriations Made in Riders	\$ 14,195,500	\$ 14,195,500	\$ 12,635,500	\$ 12,635,500	\$ 3,120,000	Senate provides: a. \$3,000,000 in General Revenue to reimburse the General Revenue-Dedicated Lottery Account for the cost of indirect support provided to the Bingo Program (see also Senate Rider #15 below).  b. \$120,000 in General Revenue for third party reimbursements collected for Bingo audit and investigation costs (see also Senate Rider #16 below).

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Contingent Revenue.	VII-11, Rider #14 Rider Packet, Page VII-2		VII-11, Rider #14 Rider Packet, Page VII-2			<p>Senate makes \$3,983,744 in General Revenue appropriations and 47.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2015 contingent upon the agency assessing or increasing fees sufficient to generate \$2,813,912 in excess of \$5,913,000 contained in the Comptroller of Public Accounts Biennial Revenue Estimate for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Goal B, Enforce Bingo Laws;</li> <li>b. Rider 8, Local Bingo Prize Fees;</li> <li>c. Rider 15, Appropriation to Reimburse the Lottery Dedicated Fund for the Cost of Bingo Indirect Costs; and</li> <li>d. Rider 16, Bingo Third Party Reimbursements</li> </ul> <p>House makes \$612,438 in fiscal year 2014 and \$612,438 in fiscal year 2015 in General Revenue contingent upon the agency assessing or increasing fees sufficient to generate \$1,563,912 in excess of \$5,913,000 contained in the Comptroller of Public Accounts Biennial Revenue Estimate.</p>

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Appropriations to Reimburse the Lottery Dedicated Fund for the Cost of Bingo Indirect Costs.		VII-12, Rider #15 Rider Packet, Page VII-2				Senate includes a rider increasing General Revenue appropriations by \$3,000,000 for the purpose of reimbursing the General Revenue-Dedicated Lottery Account for the cost of indirect support provided to the Bingo program.
Bingo Third Party Reimbursements.		VII-12, Rider #16 Rider Packet, Page VII-3				Senate includes a rider that appropriates General Revenue funds from third party reimbursements collected by the Bingo Division, estimated to be \$60,000 each fiscal year.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Texas Lottery Commission**  
**Technical Correction**  
**Amend Rider 8, Local Bingo Prize Fees**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 4/17/2013

**Overview**

Amend Rider 8, Local Bingo Prize Fees in the Texas Lottery Commission's bill pattern to correctly reflect the appropriate statutory reference. This change will not change the intent or impact of the existing rider or the overall appropriation authority for this purpose.

**Required Action**

1. On page VII-11 of the CSSB1 and HCSSB1 of the Texas Lottery Commission bill pattern, amend the following rider:

**8. Local Bingo Prize Fees.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.4, Bingo Prize Fee Collection and Accounting, bingo prize fees collected pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Section 2001.504~~502~~502 for allocation to counties and municipalities as required by the Texas Occupations Code, Section 2001.503, are appropriated to the Texas Lottery Commission, estimated to be \$12,635,500 in fiscal year 2014 and \$12,635,500 in fiscal year 2015.

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<b><u>DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES</u></b>						
	VII-12		VII-12			
A.1.1 TITLES, REGISTRATIONS, AND PLATES	\$ 65,930,629	\$ 66,582,856	\$ 70,403,559	\$ 71,494,431	\$ 9,384,505	Senate provides \$813,000 for regional office security (see Article XI, House, page XI-12).  House provides: a. \$10,147,505 in State Highway Funds to provide funding for the TexasSure Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Verification Program at the Department of Insurance (see House Rider #6 below). b. \$50,000 in State Highway Funds to replace signs at regional offices (see Senate Rider #6 below).
A.1.4 TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT & AUTOMATION	\$ 25,025,751	\$ 1,599,755	\$ 45,358,595	\$ 1,599,755	\$ 20,332,844	House provides \$20,332,844 in State Highway Funds for the Motor Vehicle Enterprise System project (see also Article XI, Senate, page XI-6).



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B.2.1 AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION	\$ 16,394,775	\$ 16,394,774	\$ 14,904,341	\$ 14,904,340	\$ 2,980,868	Senate provides \$2,980,868 in General Revenue for Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority Grants.
Funding for Signs at Regional Office Buildings	VII-15, Rider #6 Rider Packet, page VII-4					Senate requires the agency to use \$50,000 in Strategy A.1.1, Titles, Registrations, and Plates, to replace signs at regional offices.
TexasSure Reimbursement.			VII-15, Rider #6 Rider Packet, page VII-4			House allocates \$10,147,505 in Strategy A.1.1, Titles, Registrations, and Plates, to provide funding for the TexasSure Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Verification Program at the Department of Insurance.
See also Article XI	See also Article XI, Senate, page XI-6		See also Article XI, House, page XI-12			

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<b><u>DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u></b>						
<b>Cross-Strategy Issue - Federal Reimbursements</b>						House includes \$202,000,000 in Federal Reimbursements in fiscal year 2015 for contracted planning and design, right-of-way acquisition, new construction contracts, and new maintenance contracts contingent on the continuation of federal transportation funding at federal fiscal year 2014 levels.
		VII-15		VII-15		
<b>Contingency for Travel Information Center Appropriations</b>						House includes:
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs) in Riders	0.0	0.0	0.0	(58.0)		a. a reduction of 58.0 FTEs contingent upon the enactment of legislation authorizing travel information centers to be operated by an entity other than the Department of Transportation (see also House Rider #41 below).

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Appropriations Made in Riders	\$ -	\$ -	(\$ (3,500,000))	(\$ (3,500,000))	\$ 7,000,000	b. a reduction of \$7,000,000 in State Highway Funds contingent upon the enactment of legislation authorizing an alternative method of financing for travel information centers (see also House Rider #41 below).
A.1.2 CONTRACTED PLANNING AND DESIGN	\$ 422,457,562	\$ 372,610,814	\$ 422,457,562	\$ 432,610,814	\$ 60,000,000	Cross-Strategy Issue - see above
A.1.3 RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION	\$ 521,445,837	\$ 205,055,686	\$ 521,445,837	\$ 235,055,686	\$ 30,000,000	Cross-Strategy Issue - see above
B.1.2 NEW CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS	\$ 346,136,633	\$ 881,101,153	\$ 346,136,633	\$ 955,101,153	\$ 74,000,000	Cross-Strategy Issue - see above
C.1.2 NEW MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	\$ 636,043,546	\$ 1,595,988,075	\$ 636,043,546	\$ 1,633,988,075	\$ 38,000,000	Cross-Strategy Issue - see above
Capital Budget	VII-19, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VII-5		VII-19, Rider #2 Rider Packet, page VII-5			Senate requires Legislative Budget Board (LBB) approval to lease rather than purchase of certain capital budget items.
Transfer Authority	VII-20, Rider #3 Rider Packet, page VII-5		VII-20, Rider #3 Rider Packet, page VII-5			Senate requires LBB authorization prior to the transfer of appropriations among strategies for contracted transportation planning and design, right-of-way acquisition, construction, and maintenance.

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Bond Programs	: VII-25, Rider #17 Rider Packet, page VII-7 :		: VII-25, Rider #17 Rider Packet, page VII-7 :			House: a. authorizes discretionary appropriation transfer authority among strategies for contracted transportation planning and design, right-of-way acquisition, construction, and maintenance, subject to the limitations in Article IX, General Provisions; b. requires LBB authorization prior to the transfer of amounts in excess of five percent of the appropriations out of strategies for contracted maintenance; c. requires LBB authorization prior to the transfer of appropriations into Goal F, Indirect Administration; and d. authorizes the LBB to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the agency.  House provides authority to pay debt service for notes issued or money borrowed on funds contained in the Texas Rail Relocation and Improvement Fund No. 0306.

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Comprehensive Development Agreements	VII-27, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VII-9		VII-27, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VII-9			House: a. requires LBB staff to conclude its review of a request for authorization to spend appropriations to execute a comprehensive development agreement (CDA) within 30 days of receiving the request; b. specifies that a request is to be considered approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 45 days of the date LBB staff receives the request; and c. authorizes the LBB to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the agency.
Limitation on Expenditures for Contracts	VII-27, Rider #23 Rider Packet, page VII-10		VII-27, Rider #23 Rider Packet, page VII-10			House: a. requires LBB staff to conclude its review of a request for authorization to spend appropriations to execute certain contracts within 30 days of receiving the request; b. specifies that a request is to be considered approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 45 days of the date LBB staff receives the request; and

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Sale of Surplus Property	VII-28, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VII-11		VII-28, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VII-11			c. authorizes the LBB to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the agency.  Senate limits the amount of proceeds that may be spent on all types of rail projects to \$500,000 in a fiscal year.  House limits the amount of proceeds that may be spent on passenger rail projects to \$500,000 in a fiscal year.
Federal Funding for the Texas Rail Plan	VII-29, Rider #35 Rider Packet, page VII-12		VII-29, Rider #35 Rider Packet, page VII-12			Senate appropriates federal rail-related funds to the Texas Rail Relocation and Improvement Fund for implementation of the Texas Rail Plan, contingent upon availability and receipt of such funds; and authorizes the allocation of up to \$50 million in non-constitutionally dedicated State Highway Funds for 2014-15 to the Texas Rail Relocation and Improvement Fund, subject to the approval of the Governor and the LBB, if the federal funds require state matching funds or the commitment of state funds.  House appropriates federal rail-related funds to the Department of Transportation for implementation of the Texas Rail Plan.

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Additional Appropriations Made for New Construction and New Maintenance		VII-29, Rider #39 Rider Packet, page VII-12				Senate specifies the uses of any appropriated funds that are in excess of the amounts included in the in Strategy B.1.2, New Construction Contracts, and C.1.2, New Maintenance Contracts.
Contingency for Travel Information Center Appropriations				VII-30, Rider #41 Rider Packet, page VII-13		See Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs) in Riders and Appropriations Made in Riders above.
Allocation for Emergency and First Responder Airport Facilities		VII-30, Rider #42 Rider Packet, page VII-14				Senate authorizes the use of up to \$5,000,000 to assist in airport runway expansion for airports used by the Department of Public Safety for emergency and first responder purposes.
Debt Reduction Report				VII-30, Rider #42 Rider Packet, page VII-14		House requires an annual report on the outcome of the agency's efforts to refinance, restructure, defease, or obtain refunds of outstanding bond indebtedness issued for transportation programs.

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Study on Transportation Technology			VII-30, Rider #43 Rider Packet, page VII-14			House requires the agency to examine and evaluate transportation technologies for purposes of costs savings, reducing traffic congestion, promoting safety, and increasing economic productivity.
See also Article XI			See also Article XI, House, page XI-12			



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<b><u>TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION</u></b>						
		VII-30		VII-30		
Professional Development Partnerships for Early Childhood Education		:		VII-38, Rider #26 Rider Packet, page VII-15		House adopts a rider requiring \$150,000 each year in federal Child Care Development funds to be transferred to the Texas Education Agency to fund the management of early childhood education partnerships projects.
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Professional Development for Early Childhood Education				VII-39, Rider #30 Rider Packet, page VII-15		House adopts a rider requiring \$850,000 each year in federal Child Care Development funds to be used for programs that encourage increased participation in continuing professional development for early childhood professionals.
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See also Article XI				See also Article XI, House, page XI-12		
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<u>REIMBURSEMENTS TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFIT ACCOUNT</u>		VII-39		VII-39		
No Issues						

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<b><u>SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u></b>						
No Issues		VII-42		VII-42		