

# **Issue Docket**

**Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1**

## **2014-15 General Appropriations Bill**

**Article VII - Business and Economic Development**

**As of May 17, 2013**

Per the Final Directives to the LBB Staff for the Appropriations Bill during Production, adopted by the Senate Bill 1 conference committee on May 17, 2013, this docket has been edited to make adjustments to items in order to conform them to final committee decisions.

**ARTICLE VII - BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
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Agency/Item	<u>Senate</u>		<u>House</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2014	2015	2014	2015		
<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).
Reporting on Weatherization Efforts	VII-7, Rider #14 (See attached rider)					Senate amends rider and changes the due date for the annual report submission from January to March of each fiscal year.

Agency/Item	<u>Senate</u>		<u>House</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2014	2015	2014	2015		
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			

**Department of Housing and Community Affairs**  
**Amendment to Rider 14**  
**Reporting on Weatherization Efforts**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 4/30/2013

**Overview**

On page VIII-47, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1, of the bill pattern for the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, amend the following rider to change the due date for the annual report.

**Required Action**

1. On page VII-7 of the CSSB1 of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs bill pattern, amend the following rider:

**14 Reporting on Weatherization Efforts.** As part of its efforts to help low-income Texans eligible for weatherization to conserve energy and lower bills, Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) shall use funds appropriated above to coordinate with investor-owned utilities, from which TDHCA receives funds, and that offer energy efficiency programs for Texans meeting low-income eligibility criteria to make sure the monies available for low-income energy efficiency programs spent both through the agency and through utility programs are effectively and adequately spent. The TDHCA shall use funds appropriated above to produce an annual report with information about the number of low-income household benefiting from energy efficiency monies through state, federal and utility-funded programs, the total amount of federal, utility and state funds expended on the programs, the average amount spent per unit weatherized in each program, as well as the peak electricity demand reduction, the amount overall electric energy saved, the amount of money saved and the number of job and job years created. A copy of the annual report shall be delivered to the Lieutenant Governor, Speaker and Governor, as well as made available on TDHCA's website by January March 15th of 2014 and January March 15th of 2015.

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
<b><u>TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION</u></b>						
		VII-7		VII-7		
Technical Correction					<b>ADOPT</b>	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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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
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>

Agency/Item	<u>Senate</u>		<u>House</u>		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2014	2015	2014	2015		
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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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
<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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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
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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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
<b><u>DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u></b>						
		VII-15		VII-15		
<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.
<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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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
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
B.1.4. AVIATION SERVICES	\$ 109,457,820	\$ 84,452,592	\$ 109,457,820	\$ 84,452,592		
	<b>Increase Senate by \$2,500,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2014 (See Senate Rider #42, below)</b>					
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

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
G.1.1. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	\$ 193,277,343	\$ 257,772,993	\$ 193,277,343	\$ 257,722,993		
	<b>Decrease Senate by \$57,554,519 in General Revenue due to debt service savings</b>					
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 <b>As Amended (see attached rider)</b>			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.  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;

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
Bond Programs	VII-25, Rider #17 Rider Packet, page VII-7		VII-25, Rider #17 Rider Packet, page VII-7			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. requires LBB authorization prior to the transfer of amounts in excess of five percent of the appropriations out of strategies for contracted maintenance;</li> <li>c. requires LBB authorization prior to the transfer of appropriations into Goal F, Indirect Administration; and</li> <li>d. authorizes the LBB to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the agency.</li> </ul> <p>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.</p>
Comprehensive Development Agreements	VII-27, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VII-9		VII-27, Rider #22 Rider Packet, page VII-9			<p>House:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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;</li> </ul>

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
Limitation on Expenditures for Contracts						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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</li> <li>c. authorizes the LBB to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the agency.</li> </ul>
		VII-27, Rider #23 Rider Packet, page VII-10		VII-27, Rider #23 Rider Packet, page VII-10		<p>House:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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;</li> <li>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</li> <li>c. authorizes the LBB to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the agency.</li> </ul>

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
Sale of Surplus Property	VII-28, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VII-11	:	VII-28, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VII-11			Senate limits the amount of proceeds that may be spent on all types of 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.
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Agency/Item	Senate		House		Biennial Difference	Explanation
	2014	2015	2014	2015		
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 <b>As Amended (see attached rider)</b>					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 <b>As Amended (see attached rider)</b>			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.
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.

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
See also Article XI			See also Article XI, House, page XI-12			

**Department of Transportation**  
**Workgroup Amendment**  
**Amend House Rider 3, Transfer Authority**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 5/3/2013

**Overview**

Amend Rider 3, Transfer Authority, to require authorization from the Legislative Budget Board prior to the transfer of funds among the Department of Transportation's strategies for contracted planning and design, right-of-way, construction, and maintenance.

**Required Action**

Amend Rider 3, Transfer Authority, in the bill pattern for the Department of Transportation of the House Committee Substitute for SB1.

3. a. Pursuant to the appropriation transfer provisions in Article IX, Sec. 14.01, of this Act, the Department of Transportation may transfer appropriations from any Strategy into Strategies A.1.2, Contracted Planning and Design, A.1.3, Right-of-Way Acquisition, B.1.1, Existing Construction Contracts, B.1.2, New Construction Contracts, B.1.3, Construction Grants & Services, C.1.1, Existing Maintenance Contracts, C.1.2, New Maintenance Contracts, and C.1.3, Contracted Routine Maintenance. In addition, subject to Article IX, Sec. 14.01, of this Act, Subject to the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board, appropriations may be transferred in any amount among Strategies A.1.2, Contracted Planning and Design, A.1.3, Right-of-Way Acquisition, B.1.1, Existing Construction Contracts, B.1.2, New Construction Contracts, and B.1.3, Construction Grants & Services, C.1.1, Existing Maintenance Contracts, C.1.2, New Maintenance Contracts, and C.1.3, Contracted Routine Maintenance. No appropriations may be transferred out of any Strategy identified in this subsection to any strategy not identified in this subsection without prior authorization from the Legislative Budget Board.
- b. Notwithstanding subsection (a), and with the exception of transfers among Strategies C.1.1, Existing Maintenance Contracts, C.1.2, New Maintenance Contracts, or C.1.3, Contracted Routine Maintenance, no more than five percent of the amount appropriated for a fiscal year in C.1.1, Existing Maintenance Contracts, C.1.2, New Maintenance Contracts, or C.1.3, Contracted Routine Maintenance, may be transferred to another Strategy identified in subsection (a) without prior authorization from the Legislative Budget Board. Subject to the appropriation transfer provisions in Article IX, Sec. 14.01, of this Act, appropriations may be transferred out of any Strategy not identified in subsection (a) of this rider into any Strategy identified in subsection (a).
- c. Subject to Article IX, Sec. 14.01, of this Act, appropriations may be transferred among Strategies in Goal F, Indirect Administration. Except for transfers among strategies within Goal F, Indirect Administration, no appropriations may be transferred from any Strategy into Strategies in Goal F, Indirect Administration, without prior authorization from the Legislative Budget Board.
- d. The Department of Transportation may submit to the Legislative Budget Board a request to exceed the appropriation transfer limitations specified by this rider, in a format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, that provides information regarding the purposes and the projected impact of the transfers on transportation projects and future appropriation needs. A request submitted under this provision shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 15 business days of the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request to transfer appropriations and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board regarding a request submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this rider shall be provided in a timely manner. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this subsection, the Legislative Budget Board is authorized to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the Department of Transportation.

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

**Department of Transportation**  
**Workgroup Amendment**  
**Amend Senate Rider 42, Allocation for Emergency and First Responder Airport Facilities**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 5/3/2013

**Overview**

Amend Senate Rider 42, Allocation for Emergency and First Responder Airport Facilities, to specify that \$2.5 million out of General Revenue Funds in Strategy B.1.4, Aviation Services, is to be used for airport improvements at facilities used by the Department of Public Safety for emergency and first responders.

**Required Action**

1. On page VII-30 of the CSSB1 of the Department of Transportation bill pattern, amend the following rider:

**42. Allocation for Emergency and First Responder Airport Facilities.** Out of the amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy B.1.4, Aviation Services, the amount of \$2,500,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2014~~not to exceed \$5 million out of any available funding source for the 2014-15 biennium may~~ shall be used to assist in airport runway expansion for airport facilities used by the Department of Public Safety for emergency and first responders, including facilities where Department of Public Safety aircraft are used for staging and storage purposes.

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

**Department of Transportation**  
**Technical Correction**  
**Amend House Rider 42, Debt Reduction Report**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 4/26/2013

**Overview**

Amend House Rider 42, Debt Reduction Report, to make a technical correction to clarify the intent of the rider.

**Required Action**

1. On page VII-30 of the HCSSB1 of the Department of Transportation bill pattern, amend the following rider:

**42. Debt Reduction Report.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the Texas Transportation Commission and the Department of Transportation look for any and all opportunities for savings that may be accomplished for the department and the state from efforts to refinance, restructure, defease, or obtain refunds of the outstanding bond indebtedness issued for its transportation programs under terms and conditions that the commission finds to be in the best interest of the state. The department shall report to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and the Legislature annually on the outcomes of these efforts with the first report due on or before August 31, 2014.

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<b><u>TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION</u></b>						
Professional Development Partnerships for Early Childhood Education		VII-30		VII-30	<b>Workgroup allocated \$500,000 each year to TWC and \$500,000 each year to be transferred to TEA.</b>  <b>ADOPT Riders as amended.</b>	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.
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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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
Employer and Community Based Organization Partnerships	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">           Adopt a new rider appropriating \$4,000,000 each fiscal year in General Revenue for employer and community based organization partnerships.            (See Attached Rider)         </div>					
See also Article XI			See also Article XI, House, page XI-12			

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

## **Texas Workforce Commission**

Amendment to Rider 26

Professional Development Partnerships for Early Childhood Education

Prepared by LBB Staff, 5/15/13

### **Overview**

Workforce Commission, amend the following rider to change the funding amounts each fiscal year.

### **Required Action**

On page VII-38 of CSSB1 of the Texas Workforce Commission's bill pattern, amend the following rider:

#### **26. Professional Development Partnerships for Early Childhood Education.**

Out of federal Child Care Development Funds (CCDF) appropriated above, the Texas Workforce Commission shall transfer via interagency contract ~~\$150,000~~ \$500,000 in fiscal year 2014 and ~~\$150,000~~ \$500,00 in fiscal year 2015 to the Texas Education Agency to fund the management of early childhood education partnerships projects, including the award of stipends, to facilitate increased participation in professional development by early childhood education professionals and encourage those professionals to seek additional education.



**Texas Workforce Commission**  
Amendment to Rider 30  
Professional Development for Early Childhood Education  
Prepared by LBB Staff, 5/15/13

**Overview**

On page VII-39, House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1, of the bill pattern for the Texas Workforce Commission, amend the following rider to change the funding amounts each fiscal year.

**Required Action**

On page VII-39, House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1, of the bill pattern for the Texas Workforce Commission, amend the following rider.

**30. Professional Development for Early Childhood Education**

Out of federal Child Care Development Funds (CCDF) appropriated above, the Texas Workforce Commission shall dedicate ~~\$850,000~~ \$500,000 in fiscal year 2014 and ~~\$850,000~~ \$500,000 in fiscal year 2015 for programs that encourage increased participation in continuing professional development for early childhood professionals. Funding may be used to fund teacher training programs, programs that lead to a national credential in early childhood education, or work-study programs in child care. Funding may also be used for pilot programs that utilize tools for individualized instruction coupled with professional development components that support ongoing learning for teachers.

## **Texas Workforce Commission**

New Rider

Employer and Community Based Organization Partnerships

Prepared by LBB Staff, 5/17/13

### **Overview**

On page VII-39, Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 1, of the bill pattern for the Texas Workforce Commission, add the following new rider.

### **Required Action**

On page VII-39 of CSSB1 of the Texas Workforce Commission's bill pattern, add the following new rider:

#### **Professional Development Partnerships for Early Childhood Education.**

Out of amounts appropriated above to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) in Strategy A.1.4, Employment and Community Services, \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2014 and \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2015 in General Revenue Funds shall be used to implement a program with community based organizations in partnership with employers to move Texans off of public benefits and into the workforce. This program will target residents without housing and employment and move them into permanent employment. In selecting a community based organization, the TWC shall consider:

- a. the number of persons served by a qualifying entity in the program year must be no fewer than 700 unique individuals;
- b. the number of persons served by a qualifying entity who have obtained regular employment at or above 125 percent of federal poverty income guidelines must be no fewer than 50 percent of the total number of individuals returned to the workforce; and
- c. the number of employers who will commit to hiring individuals upon exit of the program must be no fewer than 100 employers.

In implementing this provision, the TWC may use other requirements deemed appropriate and necessary.

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<u>REIMBURSEMENTS TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFIT ACCOUNT</u>		VII-39		VII-39		
No Issues						

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	2014	2015	2014	2015		
<b><u>SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u></b>						
No Issues		VII-42		VII-42		