

**Senate Finance Committee**

**Workgroup on  
Articles VI, VII & VIII**

**Article XI Riders, Article VIII**

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**Weather Modification Grants**

**Overview**

The following action adds a new rider that directs \$3,762,000 for grants to the six regional weather modification programs. The money will be matched by the six current operational programs to rebuild infrastructure, including aircraft, avionics, communications, telemetry, flare racks, flares and other parts. Approximately 1 percent would be used by the TDLR for administration of the grant program.

**Required Action**

1. On page VIII-30 of Senate Bill 2 -Introduced, within the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation's bill pattern, add the following new General Revenue special item strategy: X.X.X Weather Modification Grants with total funding of \$3,762,000 for the biennium.
2. **Weather Modification Grants.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy X.X.X, the \$3,762,000 in General Revenue shall be used for a grant program that will be matched by the six current operational programs to rebuild infrastructure, including aircraft, avionics, communications, telemetry, flare racks, flares and other parts.

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