

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ARTICLES VI, VII & VIII



Rider Packet Articles VI, VII & VIII Article XI

March 16, 2017

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: R.D. 'Bobby' Guerra

Affected Agency: Texas Department of Agriculture

Purpose: This rider seeks to continue funding for the Border Agricultural Inspection Grant Program that was established by the 84th Legislature under SB 797. The rider authorizes the TDA to award grants to reduce wait times for agricultural inspections of vehicles at points of entry along the Texas-Mexico border.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$500,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated to the Department of Agriculture in Strategy A.1.1 Trade & Economic Development, appropriate \$250,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$250,000 in fiscal year 2019 for the purposes of awarding the grants under the Border Agricultural Inspection Grant Program.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Springer

Affected Agency: Texas Department of Agriculture

Purpose: To Move the Seed Certification Program from the Texas Department of Agriculture to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Amount Requested (if applicable): Click here to enter text.

Method of Finance (if applicable): Click here to enter text.

Rider Language: On enactment of legislation that moves the Seed Certification Program from the Texas Department of Agriculture to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, move any proceeds and fee revenue given to the Texas Department of Agriculture to operate the Seed Certification Program to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service with the purpose to operate the Seed Certification Program.

By: Paddie

Animal Health Commission, Article VI
Proposed Rider
Fee Revenue Reporting Requirement

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/06/2017

Overview

This rider would require the Animal Health Commission to review all fees the agency is authorized or required to assess and produce a report for the preceding fiscal year that lists all fees assessed, fee amounts, annual revenue collected for each fee, and, where applicable, an explanation of why the agency elected not to assess fees as set forth in statute or administrative rule. The report would be sent to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor no later than November 1st of each year of the biennium.

Required Action

On page VI-16 of the Animal Health Commission bill pattern, add the following rider:

9. Reporting of Fees. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Central Administration, the Animal Health Commission shall review all fees the agency is authorized or required to assess and produce a report for the preceding fiscal year ending August 31st that lists all fees assessed, fee amounts, annual revenue collected for each fee, and, where applicable, an explanation of why the agency elected not to assess fees as set forth in statute or administrative rule. The Animal Health Commission shall provide a copy of the report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor no later than November 1st of each year of the biennium.

Rider Request

Member Name: Trent Ashby

Affected Agency: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Purpose: Provide an additional appropriation for the implementation of a registration program to meet minimum federal criteria for certain nonhazardous industrial solid wastes.

Amount Requested: \$780,000

Method of Finance: Dedicated General Revenue; Waste Management Account No. 549.

Rider Language:

TCEQ Registration Program for Certain Nonhazardous Industrial Solid Wastes

In addition to the amounts appropriated above under Strategy A.2.3, Waste Management and Permitting, \$780,000 from the Waste Management Account No. 549 is appropriated for the biennium beginning September 1, 2017. The agency is also authorized to increase its cap on full time equivalents (FTEs) by 4 FTEs.

Representative Burrows

Overview

The proposed rider and funding would appropriate \$8,300,000 for fiscal year 2018 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Account No. 550 to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in House Bill 1 for the purposes of cleaning up a closed recycling center in the City of Lubbock.

Required Action

1. On page VI-17 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in House Bill 1, increase appropriations out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Account No. 550 and in Strategy D.1.2, Hazardous Materials Cleanup, by \$8,300,000 in fiscal year 2018.
2. On page VI-28 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in House Bill 1, add the following rider:

_____. **Remediation of Hazardous Waste Site in Lubbock.** Amounts appropriated above out of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Account No. 550 in Strategy D.1.2, Hazardous Materials Cleanup, include \$8,300,000 in fiscal year 2018 to fund the cleanup of a closed recycling facility in the City of Lubbock.

By: Rodriguez of Bexar

Texas Commission Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Proposed Funding and Rider
Municipal Solid Waste Disposal Grant Funding

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/08/2017

Overview

The proposed rider and funding would appropriate \$4,000,000 each fiscal year from the General Revenue-Dedicated Solid Waste Disposal Account No. 5000 to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in Senate Bill 1 for the purposes of funding local and regional solid waste planning and management activities.

Required Action

1. On page VI-16 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, increase appropriations out of the General Revenue-Dedicated Solid Waste Disposal Account No. 5000 and in Strategy A.1.3, Waste Assessment and Planning by \$4,000,000 each fiscal year.
2. On page VI-28 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in Senate Bill 1, add the following rider:

_____. **Local and Regional Solid Waste Planning and Management Activities.** Amounts appropriated above out of the Waste Disposal Account No. 5000 in Strategy A.1.3, Waste Assessment and Planning, include \$9,493,162 in fiscal year 2018 and \$9,493,162 in fiscal year 2019 to fund grants for local and regional municipal solid waste planning and management activities.

By: WALLE

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Proposed Funding and Rider
Fund 5000: Solid Waste Disposal Program**

Overview

The Regional Solid Waste Grants Program is currently funded at \$5.4 million per year. During Fiscal Years 2014/2015, the program funded 226 projects through regional councils. As a General Revenue-Dedicated account, the full appropriation has not been made to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for the intended purpose and programs, leaving the Solid Waste Disposal Account No. 5000 with an estimated balance of \$130.2 million.

In addition to amounts recommended in House Bill 1, this rider seeks appropriation of the full amount collected for its intended purpose and in compliance with current law with no less than 33.3% for local and regional waste reduction programs. The full collection is estimated at \$18.9 million per biennia which would add approximately \$8 million in 2018-2019 and prevent an increase to the General Revenue-Dedicated account balance.

Required Action

In addition to the amounts appropriated above, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is hereby appropriated \$4,000,000 each year of the biennium beginning on September 1, 2017, out of Solid Waste Disposal Account No. 5000 for the purpose of funding activities associated with local and regional solid waste diversion projects, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 361.014(b).

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Lyle Larson

Affected Agency: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Purpose: Developing updated datasets for water availability modeling in the Sulphur River Basin, Brazos River Basin, Neches River Basin, Red River Basin, and the Rio Grande River Basin.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$2,491,492 in FY 18 and \$77,292 in FY 19 for a total of \$2,568,784 for the 2018-2019 biennium

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

Appropriation: Water Availability Models. In addition to the amounts appropriated above, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is hereby appropriated \$2,491,492 in FY 18 and \$77,292 in FY 19 from the General Revenue Fund 0001 for the purpose of obtaining or developing updated datasets for water availability modeling in the Sulphur River Basin, Brazos River Basin, Neches River Basin, Red River Basin, and the Rio Grande River Basin. In addition, the Number of Full-Time Equivalents positions for the TCEQ is increased by 1.0 in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium.

Priority	River Basin	Number Gages (Existing WAM)	Estimated Cost (\$)			Biennium
			WAM Extension	Peer Review (10%)	Total Cost	
1	Sulphur	6	225,000	23,000	248,000	2018-2019

2	Brazos	77	250,000	25,000	275,000	2018- 2019
3	Neches	20	440,000	44,000	484,000	2018- 2019
4	Red	31	575,000	58,000	633,000	2018- 2019
5	Rio Grande	43	700,000	70,000	770,000	2018- 2019
Total			2,190,000	220,000	2,410,000	

By Rodriguez of Bexar

**TCEQ:
Funds Transfer Directive for Low-Level Radioactive Waste and Perpetual Care**

Overview

The following rider re-directs past funding streams to the appropriate pre-existing GRD funds in order to make those funds whole. The funds are being transferred from Fund 1 to Fund 5158 (Environmental Radiation and Perpetual Care) and Fund 88 (Low-Level Radioactive Waste Fund). The amounts are being re-directed from a fund eligible for budget certification to two funds which are also eligible for budget certification. No express expenditure of funds is being authorized by this transfer.

Required Action

On page VI-___ of the Commission on Environmental Quality's bill pattern, add the following appropriately numbered rider to read as follows:

- ____. **Reallocation of Balances for Radioactive Waste and Radiation Perpetual Care.** From amounts collected in Fund 1 pursuant to previously enacted legislation, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is appropriated \$13,100,000 from Fund 1 and is directed to transfer that amount to fund No. 5158, the Environmental Radiation and Perpetual Care Account. Additionally, from funds collected in Fund 1 pursuant to previously enacted legislation, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is appropriated \$1,200,000 from Fund 1 and is directed to transfer that amount to fund No. 88, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Fund.

Representative Walle

Overview

The proposed rider would require \$300,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Water Resource Management Account No. 153 funding each fiscal year to be spent for the purpose of funding research grants regarding wastewater treatment technology. Texas Health and Safety Code, §367.008(b) allows the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to use the revenue generated from a \$10 fee collected for each on-site wastewater treatment permit application processed for the purposes of funding competitive grants to support research regarding on-site wastewater treatment technology or educational courses, seminars, symposia, publications, and other forms of information dissemination to enhance technology transfer regarding on-site wastewater treatment.

Required Action

On page VI-28 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in House Bill 1, add the following rider:

31. **Wastewater Treatment Research.** Amounts appropriated above out of the Water Resource Management Account No. 153 in Strategy A.1.2, Water Assessment and Planning, include \$300,000 in each fiscal year in fee revenues from on-site wastewater treatment permit applications processed pursuant to Health and Safety Code, §§367.008(b) and 367.010, to fund competitive research grants regarding on-site wastewater treatment technology and systems.

By: Rodriguez

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Article VI
Proposed Funding and Rider Amendment
New Technology Implementation Grant Funding

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/09/2017

Overview

Amend Rider 19 in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's bill pattern in House Bill 1 to appropriate an additional \$5,456,055 in General Revenue each fiscal year for the purpose of funding New Technology Implementation Grants to projects that focus on advanced supercritical CO₂ power generation technology.

Required Action

1. On page VI-16 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in House Bill 1, increase appropriations out of the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP) Account No. 5071 in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, in each fiscal year by \$5,456,055.
 2. On page VI-25 of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality bill pattern in House Bill 1, amend the following rider:
19. **Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Grants and Administration.**
- a. Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, include \$118,131,504 in fiscal year 2018 and \$118,131,503 in fiscal year 2019 out of the Texas Emissions Reduction 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 2018-19 biennium.

<u>PROGRAMS</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
TERP Administration	\$ 4,725,260	\$ 4,725,260
Regional Air Monitoring Program	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000
Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants	\$ 92,451,834	\$ 98,358,408
Clean School Bus (maximum)	\$ 4,725,260	\$ 4,725,260
Fueling Facilities Program	\$ 5,906,575	\$ 0
New Technology Implementation Grants (maximum)	\$ 3,543,945	\$ 3,543,945
Health Effects Study (maximum)	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
Research	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
Energy Systems Laboratory Contract (maximum)	\$ 216,000	\$ 216,000
Drayage Truck Incentive Program (minimum)	\$ 2,362,630	\$ 2,362,630
TOTAL	\$ 118,131,504	\$ 118,131,503

The TCEQ is 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.

- b. In addition to amounts in subsection (a) above, \$5,456,055 in the Texas Emissions Reduction

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Dade Phelan

Affected Agency: TCEQ

Purpose: Authorizing funds for TCEQ to conduct necessary air quality research and data collection regarding atmospheric exceptional events and trans-boundary emissions research for long term TERP utilization assessment.

Amount Requested (if applicable): N/A

Method of Finance (if applicable): N/A

Rider Language: The following rider directs the TCEQ to expend TERP funds for various air quality programs, and adds additional funding specific to scientific research air quality planning for data collection, atmospheric exceptional events, long term TERP utilization assessment, and trans-boundary emission research.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Dade Phelan

Affected Agency: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Purpose: To authorize TCEQ to be able to transfer the fund balance from the Used Oil Recycling Account fund 0146 to the Water Resource Management Account Fund 0153 at the end of each fiscal year to be used for the same purposes for which Account Fund 0153 is authorized.

Amount Requested (if applicable): N/A


Method of Finance (if applicable): N/A

Rider Language:

Authorization: Transfer of Fund Balance. To protect the water resources of the state, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is hereby authorized to transfer the fund balance from the Used Oil Recycling Account Fund 0146 to the Water Resource Management Account Fund 0153 at the end of each fiscal year to be used for the same purposes for which Account Fund 0153 is authorized, unless, as a result of other legislation, Fund 0146 has been abolished. The TCEQ, upon completion of the Annual Financial Report, shall furnish information supporting the ending fund balance of Fund 0146 to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. Upon confirming the sufficiency of the information to support the ending fund balance, the Comptroller shall transfer the fund balance from the Used Oil Recycling Account Fund 0146 to the Water Resource Management Account Fund 0153.

Representative Guillen

Rider _____

By:  _____

March _____ 2017

Article VI, Natural Resources General Land Office and Veterans Board – <i>Items not Included in HB 1 as Introduced</i>	Items not included in HB 1 2018 -19 Biennium Total GR & GR Dedicated	All Funds
New Rider		
<p>1. <i>Coastal Lands Resource Center, Laguna Madre.</i> General Revenue funding from receipts received for economic damages related to the BP Deepwater Horizon settlement for the installation of the Laguna Madre Interpretive Center at Port Mansfield, Willacy County to include indoor/outdoor science learning and raise awareness about ocelot habitat loss as a listed US endangered species. The rider would not make an appropriation, but would authorize a one-time biennium appropriation for its purpose.</p>	\$1,600,000	\$1,600,000

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Alma Allen

Affected Agency: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Purpose: Renovation and replacement of existing facilities at Townwood Park, as well as implementing new facilities.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$1,000,000.00

Method of Finance (if applicable): Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467

Rider Language:

Local Park Grant for City of Houston. In addition to funds appropriated above in Strategy B.2.1, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is appropriated \$1,000,000.00 from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467 for the purpose of providing matching funds to the City of Houston for redevelopment of Wild Heather Park. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 in funds allocated are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: R.D. 'Bobby' Guerra

Affected Agency: Texas Parks & Wildlife

Purpose: Create The Center for Urban Ecology at Quinta Mazatlan in McAllen Texas for students, ecologists, and urban planners that will foster ecological education and create an environment that will motivate students and enhance preservation and conservation. The Center will also draw tourists to the region thereby expanding eco-tourism.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$5,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

On page VI-38 of the Parks and Wildlife's bill pattern, add the following new rider:

____. **Center for Urban Ecology at Quinta Mazatlán.** Included in amounts appropriated in Strategy B.2.1, Local Park Grants and Strategy B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants, is \$2,500,000 from Strategy B.2.1 and \$2,500,000 from Strategy B.2.2 in fiscal year 2018 from the Sporting Good Sales Tax Transfer to the State Parks Account No. 64 shall be used for a grant to Quinta Mazatlán to construct a Center for Urban Ecology.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: R.D. 'Bobby' Guerra

Affected Agency: Texas Parks & Wildlife

Purpose: Seeking matching funds to implement the Josefa Garcia Park master plan in Alton, Texas. By creating a safe park environment, the city hopes to enhance community wellness and health outcomes.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$500,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Strategy B.2.1 Local Park Grants, in FY 2018 appropriate \$500,000 to the city of Alton to establish the Josefa Garcia park.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Oscar Longoria

Affected Agency: Parks and Wildlife Department

Purpose: Funds to replace equipment that was destroyed/used beyond life expectancy during participation in DPS Border Operations. Funding request includes:

- (6) vessels (boats) \$220,000
- (4) vehicles (trucks) \$204,000
- (24) radios \$ 192,000
- (8) ATVs \$ 120,000
- Non-capital equipment \$ 425,000
- Vehicle and vessel up fitting \$60,000

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$1,221,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue Fund 01

Rider Language:

In addition to funds appropriated above, \$1,221,000 in General Revenue Funds is appropriated in fiscal year 2018 in Strategy B.1.2, Routine Operations, for the purchase of capital transportation items, riverine vessels, and equipment to replace items damaged or destroyed during participation in Operation Border Star.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Phelan

Affected Agency: Parks and Wildlife Department

Purpose: Allowing Parks and Wildlife Department to use payments from the Department of Public Safety for capital expenditures related to border security.

Amount Requested (if applicable): N/A

Method of Finance (if applicable): N/A

Rider Language:

On page VI-52 of the Parks and Wildlife Department bill pattern, add the following new rider:
Use of funds received via memorandum of understanding. Authorize the Parks and Wildlife Department to use funds received from a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of capital expenditures related to border security and game warden needs.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Dade Phelan

Affected Agency: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Purpose: Funds to replace equipment that was destroyed / used beyond life expectancy during participation in DPS border operations. Funding request includes

- (6) vessels (boats) \$220,000
- (4) vehicles (trucks) \$204,000
- (24) radios \$192,000
- (8) ATVs \$120,000
- Non-capital equipment \$425,000
- Vehicle and vessel up fitting \$60,000

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$1,221,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue Fund 01

Rider Language: In addition to funds appropriated above, \$1,221,000 in General Revenue Funds is appropriated in fiscal year 2018 in Strategy B.1.2, Routine Operations, for the purchase of capital transportation items, riverine vessels, and equipment to replace items damaged or destroyed during participation in Operation Border Star.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Eddie Lucio, III

Affected Agency: Parks and Wildlife Department

Purpose: The Bahia Grande Trail segment is a 21.5-mile trail that would connect the Palo Alto National Park to the Bahia Grande National Wildlife Refuge (Bahia Grande) and to Laguna Vista. It would also connect to the existing Brownsville Battlefield Trail that stretches from Fort Brown to Palo Alto along the old Southern Pacific Railroad Line. Given the two anchors of Bahia Grande and Palo Alto this is an area that people throughout the world would come to enjoy and experience the unique habitat and rare bird species in the area. The construction estimates for this trail are around 15 million. The construction of this trail will support 167 full-time jobs and \$5.3 million in labor income. Total economic impact will be \$20.6 million, generating \$795,000 in local and state taxes and \$1.2 million in federal taxes. By the tenth year of operation non local visitor spending created off Bahia Grande Trail would support 158 full time jobs, total economic impact would be 16.3 million, and would generate 1.4 million in local and state taxes and 1.2 million in federal taxes.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$15,000,000.00

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated above in strategy B.2.1, include in the amount of \$7,500,000 in FY 2018 and \$7,500,000 in FY 2019 for the proposed Bahia Grande Trail.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Eddie Lucio, III

Affected Agency: Parks and Wildlife Department

Purpose: Monte Bella Park is proposed 50 acre park located in North Brownsville off of Alton Gloor Boulevard. About 10 acres are currently being used for Mountain Bike Trails that are considered to be some of the best trails in the Rio Grande Valley. The City of Brownsville envisions to transforming these 50 acres of prime park land into a first class multi-purpose park consisting of athletic fields and facilities, frisbee golf, nature trails, and mountain bike trails. Allocated Funding would go towards developing a master plan that would emphasize citizen engagement through the process in order to determine community wants and needs but also appropriate phasing of this project and also developing Phase I facilities.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$2,000,000.00

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated above in strategy B.2.1, include in the amount of \$1,000,000 in FY 2018 and \$1,000,000 in FY 2019 for the proposed 50 acre park located in North Brownsville.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Dade Phelan

Affected Agency: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Purpose: To appropriate \$6,000,000 from General Revenue for the purpose of making a grant to the Texas State Aquarium in order for them to finish the project.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$6,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

Texas State Aquarium. Out of amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants, the Parks and Wildlife Department is appropriated \$6,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2017 for the purpose of making a grant to the Texas State Aquarium.

Representative Anderson, Charles "Doc"

Overview

The proposed rider would require the Parks and Wildlife Department to maintain the longhorn herd at Big Bend Ranch State Park and develop and maintain areas for camping and hiking.

Required Action

On page VI-52 of the Parks and Wildlife Department bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **Big Bend Ranch State Park.** Out of amounts appropriated above, the Parks and Wildlife Department shall maintain the longhorn herd at Big Bend Ranch State Park and develop and maintain areas for camping and hiking.

By: Perez

Parks and Wildlife Department, Article VI Proposed Rider

Funding for local park grants

Overview

Proposal would direct an additional \$550,000 each year, or \$1,100,000 for the biennium, from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax transfer to the Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467 be used for grants to local units of government or other eligible entities for local park development.

Required Action

On page VI - 639 of the Parks and Wildlife Department bill pattern, increase appropriation in Strategy B.2.1, Local Park Grants, by \$550,000 each fiscal Year from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Alma Allen

Affected Agency: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Purpose: Renovation and replacement of existing facilities at Post Oak Village Park, as well as implementing new facilities.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$1,000,000.00

Method of Finance (if applicable): Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467

Rider Language:

Local Park Grant for City of Houston. In addition to funds appropriated above in Strategy B.2.1, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is appropriated \$1,000,000.00 from the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467 for the purpose of providing matching funds to the City of Houston for redevelopment of Wild Heather Park. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 in funds allocated are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

Representative Walle

Overview

Amend Rider 11, Enforcement and Compliance Data and Public Information, in the bill pattern of the Railroad Commission in House Bill 1 to require the Railroad Commission to provide additional enforcement and compliance data and public information on its website in searchable format no later than January 1, 2019.

Required Action

On page VI-60 of the bill pattern for the Railroad Commission in House Bill 1, amend the following rider:

11. **Enforcement and Compliance Data and Public Information.** Out of the monies appropriated to the Railroad Commission in Strategy D.1.1, Public Information and Services, the agency shall publish information about enforcement data on its website, including inspection and enforcement activity, violations and the amount of final enforcement penalties assessed to the operator. The agency shall also make available on its website quarterly trends of enforcement data, including the number of complaints received and how the complaints were resolved, inspections conducted, including whether the inspection was complaint-initiated or Commission-initiated, the number and severity of violations sent for enforcement action, the number of violations sent for enforcement action for each Commission rule, and the number of repeat violations found for each operator, confirmed violations sent to the Attorney General's Office for further action, and an annual trends analysis of this complaint and enforcement information.

By January 1 of 2019, information required to be posted under this rider must be:

- a. in a searchable format;
- b. organized by county, company, operator and by well, if applicable; and
- c. capable of being downloaded in bulk.

The Railroad Commission shall provide information to the Legislative Budget Board on any additional steps that are needed if it is unable to comply with the deadlines above.

1. TWDB Rider for ASR study

Contingent on the passage of HB 2005 or similar legislation, in addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy 1.2.2 Water Resources Planning, the Texas Water Development Board is appropriated general revenue in the amounts of \$772,449 for fiscal year 2018 and \$225,999 for fiscal year 2019 for the purposes of studying aquifer storage and recovery projects identified in the 2017 State Water Plan as directed by HB 2005 or similar legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)" in the agency bill pattern is increased by 3.0 FTEs in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium contingent on enactment of such legislation.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Lyle Larson

Affected Agency: Texas Water Development Board

Purpose: Study aquifer storage and recovery projects identified in the 2017 State Water Plan as directed by HB 2005

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$772,449 for fiscal year 2018 and \$225,999 for fiscal year 2019 for a total of \$998,448 for the 2018-2019 biennium

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: Contingent on the passage of HB 2005 or similar legislation, in addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy 1.2.2 Water Resources Planning, the Texas Water Development Board is appropriated general revenue in the amounts of \$772,449 for fiscal year 2018 and \$225,999 for fiscal year 2019 for the purposes of studying aquifer storage and recovery projects identified in the 2017 State Water Plan as directed by HB 2005 or similar legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)" in the agency bill pattern is increased by 3.0 FTEs in each fiscal year of the 2018-19 biennium contingent on enactment of such legislation.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Paul Workman

Affected Agency: Water Development Board

Purpose: Flood Control within Onion Creek Watershed in Hays and Travis Counties

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$5,000,000 over biennium

Method of Finance (if applicable): Any available funds

Rider Language:

Flood Control.

Contingent upon HB 2851 becoming law, any funds appropriated in any strategy in the Texas Water Development Board budget containing funding for flood control, may be allocated to the Onion Creek Watershed Hays and Travis Counties Flood Control District No. 1, in an amount not to exceed \$5 million for the biennium, contingent upon \$5 million of matching funds from the City of Austin, Travis County and Hays County that have been or will be expended by the City of Austin, Travis County or Hays County for the purpose of planning or implementing flood control measures.

Representative Keough

Overview

Add a new rider which directs the Water Development Board to use funds appropriated in Strategy A.2.1, Technical Assistance and Modeling, in House Bill 1 to implement House Bill 3084, or similar legislation, relating to the collection, analysis, and dissemination of information regarding the availability and quality of the groundwater resources in this state by the Geo-Technology Research Institute contingent upon enactment by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session.

Required Action

On page VI-71 of the bill pattern for the Water Development Board in House Bill 1, add the following rider:

- _____. **Contingency for HB 3084.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 3084, or similar legislation relating to the collection, analysis, and dissemination of information regarding the availability and quality of the groundwater resources in this state by the Geo-Technology Research Institute, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the Water Development Board shall use \$600,000 in each year of the biennium from General Revenue funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Technical Assistance and Modeling, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

By: Keough

Water Development Board
Proposed Rider
Contingency for HB 3085

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/08/17

Overview

Add a new rider which directs the Water Development Board to use funds appropriated in Strategy A.1.2, Water Resources Data, in House Bill 1 to implement House Bill 3085, or similar legislation, relating to a study by the Geo-Technology Research Institute on the monitoring, prevention, and removal of floating trash contingent upon enactment of the legislation by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session.

Required Action

On page VI-72 of the bill pattern for the Water Development Board in House Bill 1, add the following rider:

_____. **Contingency for HB 3085.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 3085, or similar legislation relating a study by the Geo-Technology Research Institute on the monitoring, prevention, and removal of floating trash, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the Water Development Board shall use \$475,000 in each year of the biennium from General Revenue funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, Water Resources Data, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

By: Walle

Water Development Board, Article VI
Proposed Funding and Rider
Flood Planning Infrastructure Study for Harris and Galveston Counties

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/07/17

Overview

Provide appropriation of \$750,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium in General Revenue funds in Strategy A.4.1, Provide Community Assistance Pursuant to the National Flood Insurance Program, and add a new rider which directs the Water Development Board to use those funds to enter into an interagency contract with the University of Houston to conduct a flood planning infrastructure study related to flood mitigation and planning in Harris and Galveston Counties and to require a report on its findings to be delivered to the Legislature by December 1, 2018.

Required Action

- 1) On page VI-65 of the Water Development Board bill pattern in House Bill 1, increase funding in Strategy A.4.1, Provide Community Assistance Pursuant to the National Flood Insurance Program, by \$750,000 in each fiscal each fiscal year of the biennium in General Revenue.

- 2) On page VI-72 of the Water Development Board bill pattern in House Bill 1, add the following rider:

— **Flood Planning Infrastructure Study for Harris and Galveston Counties.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.4.1, Provide Community Assistance Pursuant to the National Flood Insurance Program, include \$750,000 in each year of the 2018-19 biennium out of General Revenue funds for an interagency contract with the University of Houston to conduct a study and issue recommendations related to flood mitigation and planning in Harris and Galveston Counties. A report on the study and recommendations shall be provided to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2018.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Charles "Doc" Anderson

Affected Agency: Texas Water Development Board

Purpose: to provide funding for the Rural Water Assistance Fund

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$150,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: In addition to amounts appropriated above, the Water Development Board is appropriated \$150,000 for the 2018-19 biennium for the Rural Water Assistance Fund.

Rider - Rep. Dean

Art. VI - Texas Water Development

Rider Language: In addition to the amounts appropriated above, the Water Development Board is appropriated \$150,000 for the 2018-2019 biennium for the Rural Water Assistance Fund.

Representative Rodriguez, Justin

Overview

Add a new rider which directs the Water Development Board to use General Revenue funds appropriated in Strategy A.3.1, Water Conservation Education and Assistance, in House Bill 1 to prepare a report on the potential benefits for meeting water needs that would result from appropriating \$3,000,000 or more annually for the implementation of the statewide water conservation public awareness program and to require the report on its findings to be delivered to the Legislature by December 1, 2018.

Required Action

On page VI-72 of the Water Development Board bill pattern in House Bill 1, add the following rider:

- **Study of Benefits from Implementation of the Statewide Water Conservation Public Awareness Program.** Out of amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Water Conservation Education and Assistance, the agency shall study the potential benefits for meeting water needs that would result from an appropriation of \$3,000,000 or more annually for the implementation of the Statewide Water Conservation Public Awareness Program established in Water Code Sec. 16.401. A report on the study and the agency's findings shall be provided to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2018.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Oscar Longoria

Affected Agency: Water Development Board

Purpose: Amend Rider 26, Regional Drainage and Water Assistance, in the Water Development Board bill pattern to provide grant funding to the Hidalgo County Drainage District No.1 to implement a flood control project authorized and designated by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Amount Requested (if applicable): N/A

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

Required Action

On page VI-72 of the Water Development Board's bill pattern, amend the following existing rider:

26. **Regional Drainage and Water Assistance.** General Revenue appropriations above in each fiscal year in Goal A, Water Resources Planning, Goal B, Water Project Financing, and Goal C, Non-Self Supporting G.O. Debt Service, and any unobligated and unexpended balances from appropriations from the General Revenue Fund in the strategies in those goals may be used by the Water Development Board to provide grant funding to the Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 to implement ~~the Delta Region~~ project authorized and designated by the

Representative Rodriguez, Eddie

Overview

The following action adds a new contingency rider that directs \$2.5 million each fiscal year for the purpose of establishing a Texas grocery access investment fund program.

Required Action

On page VII-8 of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs' bill pattern, add the following rider::

- _____. **Contingency for HB xxxx.** Contingent on enactment of HB 3324, or similar legislation relating to relating to the establishment of a Texas grocery access investment fund program by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs is appropriated \$2,500,000 in General Revenue each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2018 in appropriations made to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

By: Representative Ramon Romero

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Article VII
Proposed Funding and Rider
Migrant Labor Housing Fees

Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/7/2017

Overview

Increase to General Revenue funding by \$20,500 for the 2018-19 biennium and add a rider to the bill pattern for the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs directing the agency to expend licensing and inspection fees collected through the migrant labor housing inspection program on the operations of the program. The rider provides authority for additional fees collected above the estimated amounts of \$10,250 per fiscal year.

Required Action

- 1) Increase General Revenue funds in Strategy D.1.1, Monitor Housing Requirements, by the amounts of \$10,250 in fiscal year 2018 and \$10,250 in fiscal year 2019.
 - 2) On page VII-8 of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs bill pattern, add the following rider:
15. **Migrant Labor Housing Funding.** Out of the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs in Strategy D.1.1, Monitor Housing Requirements, collected as licensing and inspection fees of the migrant labor housing program, the amounts of \$10,250 in fiscal year 2018 and \$10,250 in fiscal year 2019 out of the General Revenue Fund are to be deposited to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the purpose of inspections and enforcement of the migrant labor housing program, pursuant to Subchapter LL, Chapter 2306, Government Code.

In addition to the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs in Strategy D.1.1, Monitoring Housing Requirements, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs is appropriated any additional revenues (estimated to be \$0) collected as licensing and inspection fees through the migrant labor housing inspection program and deposited to the credit of the General Revenue fund (Object Code 3573) in excess of \$10,250 in fiscal year 2018 and \$10,250 in fiscal year 2019 contained in the Comptroller of Public Accounts Biennial Revenue Estimate. These funds shall be used for the inspection and licensing of migrant labor housing facilities.

By: Simmons

**Texas Lottery Commission, Article VII
Proposed New Rider
Scratch Ticket Production and Services Contract(s)**

Overview

Add a new rider to provide for an estimated funding mechanism to accompany Strategy A.1.7, Scratch Ticket Production and Services Contract(s). The rider would provide for an increase to the Scratch Ticket Production Strategy in an amount equal to 1.1 percent of scratch ticket sales, once and only if expenditures exceed the baseline amount. Adding the new rider would address the growth in the scratch ticket product category. There is no cost to the bill as the GR-D Fund 5025 is not subject to the Comptroller's certification of the General Appropriations Act.

Required Action

On page VII-12 of the Texas Lottery Commission bill pattern, add the following new rider:

Scratch Ticket Production and Services Contract(s). The amounts included above in Strategy A.1.7, Scratch Ticket Production and Services Contract(s), are estimated appropriations out of the State Lottery Account in the General Revenue Fund and may only be used for payment of scratch ticket production and services. The estimated amount appropriated for fiscal year 2018 is an amount equal to 1.1 percent of scratch ticket sales in fiscal year 2018; and the estimated amount appropriated in fiscal year 2019 is an amount equal to 1.1 percent of scratch ticket sales in fiscal year 2019.

Representative VanDeaver

Overview

Increase General Revenue funding by \$19,300,000 for the Department of Transportation and add a rider directing the use of these funds for the rehabilitation of the Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District (NETEX) rail line from Greenville to Mount Pleasant to continue providing freight rail service.

Required Action

(1) On page VII-18 of the Department of Transportation's bill pattern in Strategy D.1.3, Rail Construction, add \$9,650,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$9,650,000 in fiscal year 2019 from General Revenue.

(2) On page VII-34 of the Department of Transportation bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **NETEX Rail Line Rehabilitation.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy D.1.3, Rail Construction, the amounts of \$9,650,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$9,650,000 in fiscal year 2019 from General Revenue shall be used for rehabilitation of the Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District (NETEX) freight rail line from Greenville to Mount Pleasant.

If this Act provides additional FTEs for contract management, execution and oversight, the department shall report publicly on a quarterly basis for each fiscal year the following goals and metrics for engineering contracts:

- (1) The percentage by number and dollar volume of contracts that are specific deliverable versus indefinite deliverable;
- (2) The percentage by number and dollar volume of specific deliverable contracts that meet a target of 120 calendar days from advertising to notice to proceed;
- (3) The percentage by number and dollar volume of indefinite deliverable contracts that meet a target of 120 calendar days from advertising to notice to proceed under an initial work authorization;
- (4) The percentage by number and dollar volume of indefinite deliverable contracts that have no work authorizations issued after 180 calendar days.
- (5) The percentage by number and dollar volume of indefinite deliverable contracts that are at least 75 percent utilized within 18 months.

bill by adding the following appropriately numbered rider following the appropriations to the Texas Department of Transportation:

____. Contingent Appropriation: Financial Assistance for Port Security, Transportation, or Facility Projects. Contingent on the enactment of House Bill No. 2195 or similar legislation of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, relating to financial assistance for port security, transportation, or facility projects, the amount of \$25 million is appropriated from the general revenue fund for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2019, to the Texas Department of Transportation for the purpose of providing grants for port security, transportation, or facility projects.

Representative Oliveira

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. _____ BY: Oliveira

Amend H.B. No. 1 (introduced version) in Article VII of the bill by adding the following appropriately numbered rider following the appropriations to the Texas Department of Transportation:

____. Contingent Appropriation: Port Capital Project Revolving Loan Program. Contingent on the enactment of House Bill No. 2197 or similar legislation of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, relating to the creation of a port capital project revolving loan program, the amount of \$25 million is appropriated from the general revenue fund for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2019, to the Texas Department of Transportation for the purpose of creating the port capital project revolving loan program.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY: Oliveira

Amend H.B. No. 1 (introduced version) in Article VII of the bill by adding the following appropriately numbered rider following the appropriations to the Texas Department of Transportation:

____. Contingent Appropriation: Seaport Preliminary Studies Grant Program. Contingent on the enactment of House Bill No. 2199 or similar legislation of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, relating to the establishment of a seaport preliminary studies grant program, the amount of \$1 million is appropriated from the general revenue dedicated account number 5003, Hotel Occupancy Tax for Economic Development Account, for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2019, to the Texas Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing the seaport preliminary studies grant program.

By Burkett

Department of Transportation
Contingency for HB 3551

Required Action

On page VII-__ of Department of Transportation bill pattern add the following rider:

____. **Contingency for HB 3551.** Contingent on enactment of HB 3551, or similar legislation relating to the Department of Transportation and live sound studies for the construction of sound barriers, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Transportation is appropriated \$3,000,000 for the 2018-19 biennium from General Revenue.

Representative Burrows

Overview

Prepare a rider to direct the use of \$1.5 million from State Highway Funds appropriated to the Texas Department of Transportation for the purposes of implementing the provisions of House Bill 869, or similar legislation, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

On page VII-34 of the bill pattern for the Department of Transportation, add the following new rider:

- _____. **Contingency for HB 869.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 869, or similar legislation relating to a study by the Department of Transportation of the feasibility of certain improvements to Interstate Highway 27, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Transportation shall use \$1,500,000 from State Highway Fund No. 006 appropriated above to conduct a feasibility study regarding the extension of Interstate 27 from Lubbock to Laredo.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY: Munoz, Jr.

1 Amend H.B. No. 1 (introduced version) in Article VII of
2 the bill by adding the following appropriately numbered rider
3 following the appropriations to the Texas Department of
4 Transportation:

5 ____. Rural Public Transportation. (a) In addition to the
6 amounts appropriated to the Texas Department of Transportation
7 for Strategy C.1.1, Public Transportation, the Texas Department
8 of Transportation may transfer the additional amount of
9 \$11,380,000 out of State Highway Fund No. 006 to fund
10 performance based grants to be used to provide additional
11 funding for transit projects that are funded by grants received
12 from the Federal Transit Administration under 49 U.S.C. Section
13 5311 and demonstrate the ability to close transit service
14 delivery gaps in rural areas and expand transit service hours.

15 (b) The transfer of money under Subsection (a) of this
16 rider does not include money in State Highway Fund No. 006 that
17 is limited to other purposes by a constitutional dedication.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Richard Raymond

Affected Agency: TxDOT

Purpose: to implement a fast lane, eight additional bridge lanes, additional exit booths and a weigh-in-motion exit system.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$5,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): GR

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy____, the Department shall make available to the City of Laredo \$5,000,000 for the purpose of constructing a fast lane, eight additional bridge lanes, additional exit booths and a weigh-in-motion exit system.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: State Representative Armando "Mando" Martinez

Affected Agency: Department of Transportation

Purpose: To commission a feasibility study to study passenger rail in the Rio Grande Valley which will focus on light and commuter rail as well as the current state of public transit in the area.

There has been a concerted effort for the counties in the Rio Grande Valley to work together as a region in order to address transportation issues in the area. Recently, discussions have centered around merging the Metropolitan Planning Organizations in the Valley, possibly merging the Regional Mobility Authorities, and even beginning a regional transit authority to coordinate the provision of mass transit for the public.

With a large and fast growing population, studying the various modalities of transportation in the region can provide for efficient and cost-effective planning in the future. A rail feasibility study which focuses on the entire Rio Grande Valley would jump start the process and push mass transit forward with the goal of providing passenger rail to the public.

Rider Language:

On page VII-34 of the Department of Transportation's bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **Study of Rail Feasibility in the Rio Grande Valley.**

- 1) Out of funds appropriated above, the Department of Transportation shall conduct a study regarding the feasibility of rail in the Rio Grande Valley. The study must include:
 - the feasibility of rail in Hidalgo, Cameron, and Willacy Counties;
 - the feasibility of light and commuter rail in Hidalgo, Cameron, and Willacy Counties; and

- the current state of public transit, including bus, pedestrian, and other modes of existing public transit in Hidalgo, Cameron, and Willacy Counties.
- 2) Not later than April 30, 2018, the department shall report the results of the study to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and each standing committee of the Senate and House of Representatives having primary jurisdiction over matters relating to transportation.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Charles "Doc" Anderson

Affected Agency: Texas Department of Transportation

Purpose: Funding to increase state grant funding for rural public transportation

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$7,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language: In addition to amounts appropriated above, the Texas Department of Transportation is appropriated \$7,000,000 for the biennium to increase state grant funding for rural public transportation.

Representative Phelan

It is the intent of the Legislature that new FTEs authorized by this act be used only to enhance staffing in

- (1) construction and inspection efforts in rural districts ;
- (2) maintenance; and
- (3) contract management, execution and oversight; project management; and portfolio management.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Oscar Longoria

Affected Agency: Department of Transportation

Purpose:

Add a new rider to direct the Department of Transportation to transfer funds towards hanger expansion and infrastructure preparation at the South Texas International Airport at Edinburg to enhance border security efforts by the Department of Public Safety utilizing emergency management and border security staging.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$3,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

Required Action

On page VII-35 of the Department of Transportation's bill pattern, add the following new rider:

_____. **Allocation for Emergency Management and Border Security Airport Facilities.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy C.5.1, Aviation Services, the amount of \$3,000,000 out of State Highway Fund No.006 shall be used to assist in hanger expansion and infrastructure preparations at the South Texas International Airport at Edinburg 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 emergency management preparations, border security staging and storage purposes.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Oscar Longoria

Affected Agency: Department of Transportation

Purpose:

Add a new rider to direct the Department of Transportation to allocate funds up to \$20,000,000 to provide funding for port capital improvement projects, including infrastructure and multi-modal connectivity improvements, selected by the Port Authority Advisory Committee and approved by the Texas Transportation Commission.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$20,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): N/A

Rider Language:

Required Action

On page VII-35 of the Department of Transportation's bill pattern, add the following new rider:

. **Port Capital Improvements.** Out of amounts appropriated to the Department of Transportation by this Act, an amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 for the 2018-19 biennium from Texas Mobility Fund No. 365 shall be allocated to provide funding for the construction and improvement of public roadways that will enhance connectivity to ports. The projects shall be selected by the Port Authority Advisory Committee and approved by the Texas Transportation Commission.

Rider Request

Member Name: Rep. Trent Ashby

Affected Agency: Department of Transportation

Purpose: Add a rider to the bill pattern for the Department of Transportation to prohibit the use of appropriations from state funds for the subsidizing or assisting in the planning, construction, maintenance, security, or operation of high-speed passenger rail.

Amount Requested (if applicable): Not applicable.

Method of Finance (if applicable): Not applicable.

Rider Language:

Limitation on Expenditures for High-speed Rail.

a. None of the funds appropriated above to the Department of Transportation from state funds may be used for the purposes of subsidizing or assisting in the planning, facility construction or maintenance, security for, or operation of highspeed rail operated by a private entity. If the Department of Transportation acts as a joint-lead agency with a federal agency under 40 C.F.R. Sec. 1506.2, this section does not prevent the Department of Transportation from using state funds to exercise its authority for oversight and coordination of federal processes and programs. For the purposes of this section, high-speed rail means intercity passenger rail service that is reasonably expected to reach speeds of at least 110 miles per hour.

b. The Department of Transportation shall prepare a report every six months summarizing the number of Full-Time-Equivalent (FTE) hours and expenses related to private high-speed rail work. The report shall be distributed to members of the Legislature whose districts include the potential high-speed rail projects and the chairs of relevant policy committees in each chamber.

c. Nothing in this provision is intended to preclude or limit the Department of Transportation from executing its responsibilities under state or federal law including regulatory responsibilities, oversight of transportation projects, environmental review, policy development, and communication with public

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Larry Gonzales

Affected Agency: Texas Department of Transportation

Purpose: Adjust appropriated amounts to TxDOT related to the Rail Safety Program.

Amount Requested (if applicable): (\$160,686)

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

On page VII-29 of the Department of Transportation bill pattern, adjust the amounts appropriated for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 as stated below.

20. Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Rail Safety. Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Rail Safety program pursuant to Section 111.101, Transportation Code, shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made above in Strategy D.1.4, Rail Safety, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with this program. direct costs for the Rail Safety program are estimated to be \$1,212,402 in fiscal year 2018 and \$1,212,402 in fical year 2019 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$335,973 for fiscal year 2018 and \$352,865 for fiscal year 2019.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Oscar Longoria

Affected Agency: Department of Transportation

Purpose:

Amend Rider 11, District Discretionary Funds, in the Department of Transportation bill pattern to include provisions regarding the allocation of discretionary funds to border districts to fund improvements designed to facilitate traffic and the movement of trade and cargo, and improve the efficiency of border inspection and security processes at international land ports of entry along the Texas-Mexico border.

Amount Requested (if applicable): N/A

Method of Finance (if applicable): N/A

Rider Language:

Required Action

On page VII-23 of the Department of Transportation's bill pattern, amend the following existing rider:

11. District Discretionary Funds.

- a. Out of the funds appropriated above in Goal A, Project Development and Delivery, the Department of Transportation shall allocate a minimum of \$2.5 million for each district to the State District Discretionary Category each fiscal year. In addition, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor an annual report no later than November 1st each fiscal year detailing the amount of District Discretionary category funds used by each district for project cost overruns.
- b. Out of the funds appropriated above in Goal A, Project Development and Delivery, the Department of Transportation shall allocate, in addition to the allocations made

traffic related to motor vehicles, cargo, and rail, and improve the efficiency of border inspection and security processes at international land ports of entry ~~located within 50 miles of~~ along the Texas-Mexico border. In making allocations under this subsection, the department shall consider factors related to the movement of people and goods through the international land border ports of entry within the boundaries of the state, including but not limited to the number of incoming commercial trucks and railcars, the number of incoming personal vehicles and buses, the weight of incoming cargo by commercial trucks, the number of cold storage facilities and the need for short-term storage of produce, and the number of international land border ports of entry connected to an interstate to facilitate the movement of trade and cargo.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Stickland

Affected Agency: Department of Transportation

Purpose: Prevent highway fund from being raided for tolls.

Amount Requested (if applicable): Click here to enter text.

Method of Finance (if applicable): Click here to enter text.

Rider Language:

No funds from the State Highway Fund may be utilized for toll roads.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Richard Raymond

Affected Agency: TxDOT

Purpose: to support development and construction of the Hachar-Reuthinger Parkway/Highway

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$21,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): GR

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy____, the Department shall make available to the City of Laredo \$21,000,000 for the purpose of development and construction of the Hachar-Reuthinger Parkway/Highway.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Richard Raymond

Affected Agency: TxDOT

Purpose: to support the completion of the US 59/I-69 West Corridor project

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$25,000,000

Method of Finance (if applicable): GR

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy____, the Department shall make available to the City of Laredo \$25,000,000 for the purpose of completing construction of the US 59/I-69 West Corridor project.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Richard Raymond

Affected Agency: Texas Department of Transportation

Purpose: replacement of aging bus fleet

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$4.9 million

Method of Finance (if applicable): GR

Rider Language: Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy___, the Department shall provide \$4,90,000 to the City of Laredo for the purpose of replacing their aging bus fleet.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Larry Gonzales

Affected Agency: Texas Workforce Commission

Purpose:

The Skills Development Fund is designed to increase skill levels and wages of the Texas workforce. Over 35,000 high school students last year earned an industry certification, acquiring skills/ trade thereby increasing their post-secondary readiness. This rider seeks to reimburse ISDs for certification exam fees for students who successfully passed their industry certification exam.

Amount Requested (if applicable): \$500,000 per biennium

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

The Texas Workforce Commission shall transfer to the Texas Education Agency \$500,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2019 from Strategy A.3.1, Skills Development from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of Section 29.190 of the Texas Education Code.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Drew Darby

Affected Agency: Texas Workforce Commission

Purpose: Currently, non-profit retailers that sell donated goods submit sales taxes to the state. Many non-profit retailers across the state have training centers that provide job training and placement to people with disabilities and other barriers to employment. These workforce training community centers (WTCC) provide educational, vocational and job training, mental health counseling, and they maintain a relationship after a job placement is secured to ensure clients are able to perform and to keep their job. People helped by these initiatives include veterans who may be struggling to become employed, persons of low educational attainment, ex-offenders, the homeless, and those with mental health related issues. The individuals who are trained and placed by WTCCs gain employment or better employment than they previously had. House Bill 518 allows these non-profit retailers to retain a portion of their sales tax for qualified expenses as administered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts. This rider reduces Strategy A.3.1 Skills Development by a corresponding amount on the House Bill 518 fiscal note.

Amount Requested: \$5,900,000

Method of Finance: General Revenue Fund

Rider Language:

- 1.) On page VII-50 of the Texas Workforce Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

Contingency for House Bill 518. Reduce amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1 Skills Development by \$5,900,000 in fiscal year 2019 in General Revenue contingent upon House Bill 518, or similar legislation relating to the retention and use of sales tax revenue collected by certain retailers to provide job training and placement services to certain persons becoming effective September 1, 2018.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Rep. Larry Gonzales

Affected Agency: Texas Workforce Commission

Purpose:

Transfer the Business Assistance Center Rider in the University of North Texas Health Science Center to the Texas Workforce Commission bill pattern to support small business development and jobs in Texas.

Amount Requested (if applicable): (\$1,569,000)

Method of Finance (if applicable): General Revenue

Rider Language:

On page III-196, reduce \$1,534,500 in 2018 and \$1,534,500 in Strategy D.2.2. Econ Dev.& Tech Commercialization.

On page VII-36, add \$750,000 in 2018 and \$750,000 in 2019 to A.3.2. Strategy: Self Sufficiency for a net overall reduction to HB 1 of \$1,569,000.

On page VII-__ of the Texas Workforce Commission bill pattern, add the following rider:

Business Assistance Center. Of the amounts appropriated above in A.3.2. Self Sufficiency, the Texas Workforce Commission shall allocate \$750,000 in 2018 and \$750,000 in 2019 to the City of Fort Worth Business Assistance Center to assist entrepreneurs through the delivery of programs designed for emerging and established small businesses with the goals of creating businesses, new jobs or the development, incubation and acceleration of innovative technology for purposes of commercialization.

By: Representative Canales

Texas House of Representatives
Proposed Funding and Rider for
Texas Workforce Commission

Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/9/2017

Overview

The following rider would appropriate \$50,000 in General Revenue funding to the Texas Workforce Commission by providing \$50,000 in fiscal year 2018 for use in conducting a Hidalgo County technical training needs report.

Required Action

1) On page VII-36 of the A.1.1. Strategy: Workforce Innovation & Opportunity, increase appropriations out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2018.

2) On page VII-49 of the House of Representatives bill pattern within the Texas Workforce Commission bill pattern, add the following rider:

- **Hidalgo County Technical Training Needs Report.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Workforce Innovation & Opportunity, is \$50,000 in General Revenue for fiscal year 2018 that may not be used for any other purpose than a study on Hidalgo County technical training.

By: Simmons

Texas Workforce Commission, Article VII
Proposed New Rider
Vocational Rehabilitation

Overview:

The first three goals articulated in the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) Combined State Plan under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) for the State of Texas for Program Years 2016–2019 (the Plan) are as follows:

Foster a dynamic, integrated, and market-driven workforce development system that gives employers and individuals ready access to a network of high-quality information and services.

Provide Texans access to literacy, education, vocational rehabilitation, and in-demand workplace skills necessary for self-sufficient employment and advancement.

Empower the current and future Texas workforce with the career information, knowledge, and skills necessary for employment and career advancement in high-skilled, high-wage careers.

The Plan states that “approximately 12 percent of the Texas population is estimated to have some type of disability. TWC is committed to providing services to this population; TWC promotes competitive employment of individuals with disabilities coupled with the expectation that they are able to meet the same employment standards and responsibilities as other working-age adults,” and “providing today’s youth with education, training, and workplace opportunities is essential to the state’s future growth and success.”

RIDER TEXT

From amounts appropriated above to the TWC in Strategies A.2.1 and B.1.2, \$1.5 million in FY2018 and \$1.5 million FY 2019 shall be used to implement, coordinate and/or provide the delivery of capital matching funds for an innovative pilot facility and program that is developed by a leading non-profit provider of services for people with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) nationally, implemented through a network of local chapter community rehab providers (CRP), including multiple chapters in Texas, to provide job training, job placement, and transition services to adolescents, young adults, and working age adults on the ASD. The TWC shall also provide contract-based program funds, consistent with existing TWC program structures and parameters, and the program shall demonstrate effectiveness through established outcomes.

By: Representative Donna Howard

Texas Department of Insurance, Article VIII
Proposed Funding and Rider
Workers' Compensation Fraud Prosecution

Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/2/2017

Overview

Increase to General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Department of Insurance Operating Fund 36 (GR-D Fund 36) funding by \$675,826 for the 2018-19 biennium, increase of 4.0 Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE) each fiscal year, and addition of a rider to the bill pattern for the Texas Department of Insurance directing the agency to expend workers' compensation maintenance taxes collected from regulated entities for workers' compensation fraud prosecution in the Travis County District Attorney's office.

Required Action

- 1) Increase GR-D Fund 36 funds in Strategy A.2.4, Workers Compensation Fraud, by the amounts of \$341,038 in fiscal year 2018 and \$334,788 in fiscal year 2019.
- 2) Increase the agency's FTE cap by 4.0 FTEs each fiscal year from 1,359.7 to 1,363.7.
- 3) On page VIII-26 of the Texas Department of Insurance bill pattern, add the following rider:
 20. **Workers' Compensation Fraud Prosecution.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.2.4, Workers Compensation Fraud, include \$341,038 in fiscal year 2018 and \$334,788 in fiscal year 2019 in General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Department of Insurance Operating Fund 36 and 4.0 FTEs each fiscal year for the purpose of workers' compensation fraud prosecution in cooperation with the Travis County District Attorney's Office.

By: Representative Four Price

Texas Department of Insurance, Article VIII
Proposed Rider
Contingency for HB 10

Prepared by LBB Staff, 3/9/2017

Overview

Prepare a rider, which increases the agency's Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) cap by 2.0 FTEs each fiscal year for the purposes of implementing the provisions of HB 10 or similar legislation, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

On page VIII-26 of the Texas Department of Insurance bill pattern, add the following rider:

20. **Contingency for HB 10.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 10, or similar legislation relating to access to and benefits for mental health conditions and substance use disorders, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" for the Texas Department of Insurance is hereby increased by 2.0 FTEs in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation for mental health parity enforcement.

Representative Walle

13. Three-Share Premium Assistance Programs.

a. Amounts appropriated above to the Department of Insurance of ~~\$62,351~~-\$444,866 in fiscal year 2018 and ~~\$62,351~~-\$444,866 in fiscal year 2019 in General Revenue - Insurance Companies Maintenance Tax and Insurance Department Fees in Strategy A.4.1 Strategy A.4.2, Three-Share Assistance Programs, and 1.0 Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE) position each fiscal year included above in the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" is for the purpose of awarding, through a competitive application process, grants to local government entities for the research, planning, development, and continuation of "three-share" premium assistance programs to increase access to private healthcare coverage for the uninsured, and providing technical assistance to grant recipients. The agency shall consider the following factors in selecting recipients of grant funds:

- (1) proposals to match grant awards with local funds
- (2) percentage of uninsured in the applicable area
- (3) existing efforts in pursuing "three-share" premium assistance programs
- (4) healthcare use and delivery factors affecting the area's healthcare infrastructure and capacity.

b. In addition to amounts appropriated above, out of funds collected from regulated entities except for workers compensation for fines, penalties, and sanctions and deposited to General Revenue, the Texas Department of Insurance is appropriated, out of amounts collected in excess of those contained in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate (estimated to be \$0), an amount not to exceed ~~amount not to exceed \$1,500,000~~ \$1,500,000 in each year of the biennium for the Three Share Premium Assistance Program. Any unexpended and unobligated balances of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2017, (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the agency for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2017. In addition, any unexpended and unobligated balances of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2018, are appropriated to the agency for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2018.

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The agency shall report a summary of the grants awarded to local government entities to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor no later than January 1, 2019

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Simmons

Affected Agency: State Fire Marshal's Office, TDI

Purpose:

No state resources should be used to help fund membership or travel to organizations such as NASFM.

Amount Requested (if applicable): -

Method of Finance (if applicable): -

Rider Language:

The State Fire Marshal's Office shall not accept gifts, grants and donations from any source without the express approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Insurance.

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Amount Requested (if applicable): -

Method of Finance (if applicable): -

Rider Language:

The State Fire Marshal's Office and all staff are prohibited from out of state travel, unless specifically approved by the Insurance Commissioner. The State Fire Marshal is also prohibited from expending funds for membership to trade groups or associations located outside the state of Texas.

RIDER REQUEST

Member Name: Representative Drew Darby

Affected Agency: Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation

Purpose: The 75th Legislature appropriated \$4.197 million to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to support weather modification activities by political subdivisions. Then in 1999, the 76th Legislature appropriated \$6.4 million to the TNRCC to continue the build-out of critical capital infrastructure related to aircraft, aircraft retrofits, flare supplies, and training. The investment has paid significant dividends for the six districts currently operating in the state. According to a December 2014 cost-benefit analysis study by Dr. Jason Johnson at Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, of 31 counties currently served by weather-modification activities, average additional rainfall increases resulted in a direct economic impact of \$20,332,470 in increased agriculture production and cost savings related to less irrigation. Weather modification is a prudent investment pursued by many local governments for the benefit of their communities to add to the water resources of Texas. A conservative investment by the state to aid these districts with matching funds to replace aging aircraft, equipment, and supplies would continue to benefit these areas and the state of Texas.

Amount Requested: \$250,000

Method of Finance: General Revenue Fund

Rider Language:

- 1.) On page VIII-29 of the Department of Licensing and Regulation's bill pattern, increase appropriations out of the General Revenue Fund by \$250,000 in fiscal year 2018.
- 2.) On page VIII-34 of the Department of Licensing and Regulation's bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **Appropriation: Weather Modification Grant Program. Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund, is \$250,000 in fiscal year 2018 for the purpose of funding matching grants to political subdivisions in accordance with the Weather Modification Grant Program authorized by Chapter 302 of the Agriculture Code.**

By: Representative Mary Ann Perez

Public Utility Commission of Texas, Article VIII

Proposed Rider

Contingency for House Bill 2114

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/07/17

Overview

Prepare a rider which appropriates \$60,000 in fiscal year 2018 and \$60,000 in fiscal year 2019 from the General Revenue Fund for the purposes of implementing the provisions of House Bill 2114, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

On page VIII-65 of the bill pattern for the Public Utility Commission of Texas, add the following new rider:

3. **Contingency for House Bill 2114.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2114, or similar legislation relating to the authority of the Health and Human Services Commission and the Public Utility Commission of Texas to identify customers who may be eligible for bill payment assistance programs, by the Eighty-Fifth Legislature, Regular Session, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$60,000 for fiscal year 2018 and \$60,000 for fiscal year 2019 from General Revenue to implement the provisions of the legislation.