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**Conference Committee on House Bill 1** 

**2020-21 General Appropriations Bill** 

**Article V – Public Safety and Criminal Justice** 

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**15. Human Trafficking Enforcement.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Enforcement, is \$3,035,825 in fiscal year 2020 and \$3,035,825 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue Funds for human trafficking enforcement.

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58. Monitoring of Temperature and Temperature Related Deaths. Out of funds appropriated above, TDCJ shall annually produce a report to the Legislature no later than December 31 of each year on offender complaints related to temperature, cases of environmental hyperthermia or death caused by temperature or exacerbated by temperature, and agency procedures used to manage temperature and mitigate excessive heat in TDCJ facilities. In the months of April through September of each fiscal year, on days when the external temperature exceeds 85 degrees Fahrenheit, TDCJ shall record the temperature inside a prison cell or inmate housing area in each TDCJ-operated facility where offenders are housed at 3:00 pm Central Standard Time and shall include results of the temperature recordings in the annual report.

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**59. Salary Increases.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, in Strategy C.1.1, Correctional Security Operations, is \$38,358,670 in fiscal year 2020 and \$38,358,669 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue to provide a 5 percent salary increase to correctional officers, food service managers, and laundry staff. Also included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.2.1, Parole Supervision, is \$3,673,615 in fiscal year 2020 and \$3,673,616 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue for a 5 percent salary increase for parole officers.

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Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Board of Pardons and Paroles in Strategy D.1.2, Revocation Processing, is \$210,500 in fiscal year 2020 and \$210,500 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue for a 5 percent salary increase for revocation hearing officers. Also included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.3, Institutional Parole Operations, is \$570,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$570,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue for a 5 percent salary increase for institutional parole officers.

**59. Pretrial Diversion Grant Programs.** Out of funds appropriated above, the Community Justice Assistance Division (CJAD) of the Department of Criminal Justice shall give preference when awarding grants to local Community Supervision and Corrections Departments that intend to expand pretrial diversion programs to state jail felony defendants. CJAD shall establish standards and expected outcomes for pretrial diversion grants, including placing eligible defendants in

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pretrial diversion programs as soon as practicable after arrest, reducing the length of confinement in a county jail, and increasing the number of low and high risk defendants, including defendants with prior convictions, in pretrial diversion programs. CJAD shall provide an annual report on the outcomes of the pretrial diversion grants to the Legislature, the Office of the Governor, and the Legislative Budget Board.

- 60. Reentry Services Pilot Programs. Included in the amounts appropriated above is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue in Strategy C.2.3, Treatment Services, for the Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to enter into an agreement with the City of Houston to establish and operate a pilot program for reentry services to offenders released from TDCJ facilities who are returning to the Houston area. Also included in the amounts appropriated above is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue in Strategy C.2.3, Treatment Services, for TDCJ to enter into an agreement with the City of Dallas to establish and operate a pilot program for reentry services to offenders released from TDCJ facilities who are returning to the Dallas area. The pilot programs shall implement reentry services in the City of Houston and the City of Dallas, which may enter into agreements with non-profit entities, faith-based organizations, community groups, and the private sector for the provision of reentry services. TDCJ shall report on the recidivism rate and effectiveness of each program to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor no later than January 1 of each fiscal year.
- **61. Report on Warrants Issued for Parole Violations.** From funds appropriated above, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) in coordination with relevant stakeholders shall review policies and submit a report to the Governor, the Legislative Budget Board, the chair of the appropriate House and Senate Committees, and members of the legislature on agency procedures related to warrants issued for parole violations, or blue warrants, not later than December 1, 2020. The report shall include the following:
  - a. identified points during the issuing of the warrants and the holding of revocation hearings in which the process could be expedited;
  - b. certain charges such as administrative violations and misdemeanors that could be subject to an expedited process; and

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- c. details of TDCJ's findings and recommendations for expediting the blue warrant process.
- **62. Body Worn Camera Pilot Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above, the Department of Criminal Justice is appropriated \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue in Strategy C.1.2, Correctional Support Operations, for a body worn camera pilot program for correctional officers. The program shall be implemented in the correctional facility serving males with the highest number of rule violations in fiscal year 2019 and in the correctional facility serving females with the highest number of rule violations in fiscal year 2019. The funds may be expended to purchase necessary equipment and accessories, provide training, and additional resources needed to operate the program.

#### 63. Developmental Disabilities Program.

- a. Included in the amounts appropriated above, the Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) is appropriated \$452,500 in fiscal year 2020 and \$452,500 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue in Strategy C.1.8, Managed Health Care Unit and Psychiatric Care, for the operation of an occupational therapy program for offenders in the Developmental Disabilities Program at the Crain and Hodge Units.
- b. Included in the amounts appropriated above, is \$294,949 in fiscal year 2020 and \$294,949 in fiscal year 2021 in Strategy B.1.1, Special Needs Offenders, for the operation of reentry services and residential housing assistance for offenders released from incarceration on supervision from the Developmental Disabilities Program. No state funds may be expended for the purpose of providing residential housing assistance and post release case management for offenders released on supervision from the Developmental Disabilities Program who are ineligible for mandatory supervision pursuant to Government Code, \$508.149.

**65.Use of Juvenile Justice Department Facility or Bartlett State Jail.** Out of funds appropriated above for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019, the Department of Criminal Justice, in conjunction with the Juvenile Justice Department, may use up to \$15,005,868 during that biennium for the purpose of repurposing a Juvenile Justice Department Facility, using the Bartlett State Jail, or both, to provide at least 350 sheltered housing beds for offenders under the jurisdiction of the Department of Criminal Justice.

# **COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION**

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2. Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections. Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Commission on Fire Protection pursuant to Texas Government Code §§419.025 and 419.026 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made above, as well as the amount identified above in the informational item "Other Direct and Indirect Costs Appropriated Elsewhere in this Act". "Other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$914,131 for fiscal year 2020 and \$915,200 for fiscal year 2021. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

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# 29. Regional Diversion Alternatives.

- a. Out of funds appropriated above the Juvenile Justice Department (JJD) is appropriated \$12,042,982 in fiscal year 2020 and \$12,042,981 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue in Strategy A.1.8, Regional Diversion Alternatives, for the implementation of a regionalization program to keep juveniles closer to home in lieu of commitment to the juvenile secure facilities operated by the JJD.
- b. Out of funds appropriated above, \$494,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$494,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue Funds and seven full-time equivalent positions are appropriated in Strategy D.1.1, Office of the Independent Ombudsman, for the expansion of duties of the office to local secure facilities.
- 35. Single Grant Applications for Local Probation Departments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act and in addition to the funds appropriated to Strategy A.1.2, Basic Probation Supervision, to the extent that the Juvenile Justice Department (JJD) identifies cost savings the department realizes during the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019, the department may allocate a total amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 from general revenue funds appropriated during that biennium for the purposes of which the savings were realized to Strategy A.1.2 to be distributed as discretionary grants subject to the requirements of the Human Resources Code, \$223.001(c). JJD shall create a single grant application for local probation departments wishing to apply for discretionary grant funding. The application will require the local probation department to specify the amount of funding it seeks from each strategy. As a condition of funding, local probation departments shall agree to meet research-based performance measures developed by JJD pursuant to \$223.001(c).

**29. Regional Diversion Alternatives.** Out of funds appropriated above the Juvenile Justice Department (JJD) is appropriated \$9,292,982 in fiscal year 2020 and \$9,292,981 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue in Strategy A.1.8, Regional Diversion Alternatives, for the implementation of a regionalization program to keep juveniles closer to home in lieu of commitment to the juvenile secure facilities operated by the JJD.

**35. Salary Increases.** Included in the amounts appropriated above, in Goal B, State Services and Facilities, is \$2,649,205 in fiscal year 2020 and \$2,649,204 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue to provide a 5 percent salary increase to juvenile correctional officers and case managers.

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- **36. Non-Profit Pilot Programs.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, Basic Probation Supervision, is \$250,000 in General Revenue in each fiscal year of the 2020-21 biennium to establish pilot programs in Harris, Hidalgo, and Cameron Counties administered by non-profits that provide trauma-informed counseling and life-skills and hands-on vocational training for youth who were previously committed to state correctional custody in the Juvenile Justice Department. The non-profit must be supported by the counties.
- **37.** Study on the Confinement of Children with Mental Illness or Intellectual Disabilities. Out of the funds appropriated above, the Juvenile Justice Department shall conduct a study to develop strategies to reduce the confinement of children with mental illness or intellectual disabilities. Not later than September 1, 2020, the department shall report the results of the study to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and each member of the Legislature.

# **COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT**

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# 8. General Revenue Fund Appropriation for Salaries and Wages.

a. In addition to the amounts appropriated above, a total of \$137,264 is appropriated from the general revenue fund to the Commission on Law Enforcement in each year of the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019, as follows:

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- (1) \$31,571 in each year for Strategy A.1.1, Licensing;
- (2) \$6,863 in each year for Strategy A.1.2, Standards Development;
- (3) \$42,552 in each year for Strategy B.1.1, Enforcement;
- (4) \$42,552 in each year for Strategy B.1.2, Technical Assistance; and
- (5) \$13,726 in each year for Strategy C.1.1, Indirect Administration.
- b. The Commission on Law Enforcement shall use the funds appropriated under Subsection (a) of this rider for salaries and wages.

# **MILITARY DEPARTMENT**

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**5. Outreach and Education.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, State Training Missions, the Texas Military Department may expend funds for outreach and education.

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**25. Outreach and Education.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, State Training Missions, an amount not to exceed \$3,000 per fiscal year may be used for outreach and education.

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- **26. Dedicated Defense Cyber Operations.** From funds appropriated above, the Military Department may increase its full-time equivalent (FTE) position cap by 1.0 FTE dedicated to the Defense Cyber Operations Element of the Texas State Guard along with a minimum of 10 dedicated state guardsmen to conduct training and provide support to mission partners in the state.
- **26. Mental Health Services.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.3, Mental Health Initiative, TMD shall provide mental health services to only members of the Texas Army National Guard. Texas Air National Guard, and Texas State Guard.
- **27. Texas State Guard Commander.** Included in the amounts appropriated above is \$151,829 in General Revenue in each fiscal year of the 2020-21 biennium to establish a paid full-time equivalent (FTE) position for the Commander of the Texas State Guard.
- 28. Capital Budget Expenditures from Federal Funds. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article IX, Section 14.03, Transfers Capital Budget, of this Act, and to maximize the use of Federal Funds and fulfill grant requirements for receipt and expenditure of Federal Funds, the Texas Military Department (TMD) is provided capital budget authority when Federal Funds are received in excess of the amounts identified in the agency's capital budget rider and when the Federal Funds are provided for the sole purposes of construction and repairs or purchase of specific capital budget items. TMD shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor of the amount received and the items to be purchased as approved by the Federal agency. The expenditure of funds pursuant to this rider shall not create ongoing operating costs.

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. State Disaster Resource Support and Staging Sites. From funds appropriated above in Goal D, Emergency Management, the Texas Division of Emergency Management may expend funds for the operation of state disaster resource support and staging sites, two of which are currently established. TDEM may expend funds for the daily operation of existing and new state disaster resource support and staging sites and shall not eliminate the two existing staging sites. This does not include any costs associated with disaster response. Funds used under this provision may be expended for capital budget purposes notwithstanding limitations on capital budget expenditures elsewhere in this Act.

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**30.** Contingency Appropriation for Handgun Licensing Program Applications. Included in the General Revenue amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.2.1, Regulatory Services Issuance and Modernization, is an amount not to exceed \$499,176 in fiscal year 2020 and an amount not to exceed \$499,176 in fiscal year 2021, contingent upon certification by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the number of handgun license applications received by the Department of Public Safety and the additional revenue generated above the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Biennial Revenue Estimate for the 2020-21 biennium. The Comptroller shall base the contingency appropriation on \$47.80 for each handgun license application received each fiscal year above 98,398 applications to cover operating costs created by an increase in the number of applications received.

**38. Border Security Cost Containment Efforts.** The Department of Public Safety shall submit a report each fiscal year of the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019, detailing the effectiveness of various cost containment measures the department has implemented, and proposing additional measures to reduce the department's operating costs with respect to the department's border security operations. The report must establish measurable outcomes for success regarding border security. The outcomes should be defined and disaggregated on factors, including but not limited to, apprehensions, narcotic seizures, and crime statistics at the border. Not later than October 15 of each fiscal year, the department shall submit the report to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the

**25. State Disaster Resource Support and Staging Sites.** From funds appropriated above in Goal D, Emergency Management, the Texas Division of Emergency Management may expend funds in fiscal years 2020 and 2021 for the operation of no more than two state disaster resource support and staging sites. This does not include any costs associated with disaster response. Funds used under this provision may be expended for capital budget purposes notwithstanding limitations on capital budget expenditures elsewhere in this Act.

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**30. Estimated Appropriation for Handgun Licensing Program.** The Department of Public Safety (DPS) shall deposit all revenue collected from handgun licensing application fees to Revenue Object Code 3126 in the General Revenue Fund. Included in the amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy E.2.1, Regulatory Services Issuance and Modernization, DPS is appropriated \$6,233,333 in fiscal year 2020 and \$5,440,000 in fiscal year 2021, representing revenue from \$27 of each \$40 application fee, to fund costs of administering the Handgun Licensing Program, including all required background checks.

For the 2020-21 biennium, the Department is appropriated 67.5 percent of any additional revenues from handgun licensing application fees that are collected by the agency and deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund in excess of the amounts reflected in the Comptroller's Biennial Revenue Estimate for the 2020-21 biennium, for the purpose of supporting the administration of the Handgun Licensing Program, including all required background checks.

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House, Lieutenant Governor, and the Governor, in the form those offices require. Cost containment measures the department must consider include:

- a. eliminating duplicate functions within the department;
- b. having the department perform functions that are being performed by a private contractor; and
- c. using technology to simplify department functions.

- **43. Public Safety Grant for the Greater Houston Area.** Out of General Revenue Funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.1, Public Safety Communications, the Department of Public Safety shall grant \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 to a non-profit entity in Houston that is dedicated to preventing and solving crime in the Greater Houston Area through programs emphasizing crime information reporting, student and parent education, and community empowerment.
- 45. Angleton Driver License Office and Brazoria County Law Enforcement Center.
  - Included in the amounts appropriated above, from Strategy F.1.1, Driver License Services, the Department of Public Safety shall expend up to \$8,000,000 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2020 to purchase or lease, furnish, and equip a new driver license office in the City of Angleton, Texas. Any unexpended balances in General Revenue Funds described above and remaining as of August 31, 2020, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020.
  - b. Included in the amounts appropriated above, from Strategy G.1.6, Facilities Maintenance, is \$1,700,000 in fiscal year 2020 in General Revenue Funds for a consolidated law

- a. eliminating duplicate functions within the department;
- b. having the department perform functions that are being performed by a private contractor; and
- c. using technology to simplify department functions.
- 43. Prioritize the Testing of Sexual Assault Kits and Improve Crime Lab Services. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.1.1, Crime Laboratory Services, is \$29,149,190 in fiscal year 2020 and \$20,641,295 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue Funds for the Department of Public Safety to increase crime lab capacity and to prioritize the testing of backlogged Sexual Assault Kits. Included in the number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) positions authorized above, is 122.0 additional full-time-equivalent positions in each fiscal year.

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enforcement center with the Brazoria County's Sheriff's Office. This funding is contingent upon a memorandum of understanding between the Department of Public Safety and the Brazoria County Commissioners' Court, and a donation of land. Any unexpended balances in General Revenue Funds described above and remaining as of August 31, 2020, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020.

**45. Human Trafficking Prevention.** Out of General Revenue Funds appropriated above for the Department of Public Safety in Strategy A.1.1, Organized Crime, \$34,313,560 and 159.7 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) positions for fiscal year 2020, and \$18,774,336 and 159.7 FTEs for fiscal year 2021, and in Strategy A.2.1, Intelligence, \$3,754,575 and 45.0 FTEs for fiscal year 2020, and \$3,278,035 and 45.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2021 shall be used to address human trafficking and antigang activities.

**46.** Contingency for Driver License Program Transfer. In addition to amounts appropriated above in Goal F, the Department of Public Safety's appropriations are reduced by \$135,560,337 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,610,318 from Appropriated Receipts in fiscal year 2021, and the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" figure indicated above is decreased by 2,236.8 FTEs in fiscal year 2021 for the purposes of transferring the state driver license program to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

In the event legislation relating to the transfer of the driver license program to the Department of Motor Vehicles is not enacted by the Eighty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, this rider has no effect.

**46. Driver License Extended Hours Pilot Program.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy F.1.1, Driver License Services, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) shall conduct a pilot program for extended hours for driver license offices. DPS shall choose two rural and two urban offices to keep open until 9:00 pm on weekdays for three months, then submit a report on their findings to the Legislature. The report shall include information and analysis regarding wait times and the number of customers served for both regular and extended office hours.

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# 7. Tactical Training Facility in Cameron County.

- a. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy G.1.6, Facilities Management, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) is appropriated \$8,560,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds in fiscal year 2020 for the construction, furnishing, and equipping of a tactical training facility. This funding shall be considered border security funding.
- b. The facility shall include pistol firing lanes, long-range rifle firing lanes, a training pavilion, and a "Live Threat Engagement Training" simulator.
- c. DPS shall manage the training facility and may adopt rules necessary to implement this section. DPS shall make the training facility available for use by DPS, the Texas Military Forces, county and municipal law enforcement agencies, and agencies of the federal government for training purposes.
- d. Any unexpended balances in Economic Stabilization Funds described above and remaining as of August 31, 2020, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020.
- **48. Texas Transnational Intelligence Center.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.2, Routine Operations, is \$250,000 and 4.0 full-time equivalent positions (FTEs) in

47. Study the Management, Operating Structure, and Opportunities and Challenges of Transferring the Driver License Program. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy F.1.1, Driver License Services, is \$200,000 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Public Safety to contract with an independent, third party designated by the Comptroller of Public Accounts to conduct a study that examines and makes recommendations on the management, operating structure, incentivizing driver license online renewal for eligible individuals, and opportunities and challenges of transferring the driver license program to the Department of Motor Vehicles, or becoming a standalone agency. The contractor must submit a report containing the results of the study and recommendations to the Legislature, the Governor, the Sunset Advisory Commission, the Department of Public Safety, and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles not later than September 1, 2020.

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fiscal year 2020 and \$250,000 and 4.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue Funds for the Texas Transnational Intelligence Center. Any unexpended balances remaining on August 31, 2020 are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020. This appropriation shall be considered border security funding.

**49. Automated External Defibrillator Pilot Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Traffic Enforcement, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) is appropriated \$150,000 in fiscal year 2020 in General Revenue to implement a pilot program to equip each patrol car in the DPS West Texas Region and the DPS Northwest Texas Region with an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) device. DPS shall collect data on the use and location of the nearest roadway and county where the AED was deployed. DPS shall report the data to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, Lieutenant Governor, and the Governor.

Any unexpended balances in General Revenue Funds described above and remaining as of August 31, 2020, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020.

- 50. Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Compassionate Use Program. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.2.1, Regulatory Services Issuance Modernization, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) is appropriated all fees and other miscellaneous revenue generated by the Compassionate Use Program, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Chapter 487. DPS shall use the generated revenue for the administration of the Compassionate Use Program. The agency shall submit an annual report to the Legislative Budget Board no later than December 15 of each fiscal year detailing all fees collected under the Compassionate Use Program and the use of those fees in the direct administration of the Compassionate Use Program.
- **51. Statewide Safe Gun Storage Campaign.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy G.1.1, Headquarters Administration, is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue to establish and promote a statewide safe gun storage campaign, in collaboration with the Texas Veterans Commission, the Texas Health and Human Services

**48. Recruit Schools.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy G.1.5, Training Academy and Development, the Department of Public Safety is appropriated \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue Funds to conduct a minimum of four recruit school classes with an estimated graduation rate of 92 new troopers per class.

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Commission, the Department of State Health Services, the Department of Family and Protective Services, other legislative leaders and state agencies, and interested stakeholders. The public awareness campaign shall begin no later than September 1, 2020. The public awareness campaign may include online materials, printed materials, public service announcements, or other advertising media. The public awareness campaign may not convey a message that it is unlawful under state law to keep or store a firearm that is loaded or that is readily accessible for self-defense.

- **52. SHSU Forensic Science Partnership.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Department of Public Safety in Strategy E.1.1, Crime Laboratory Services, is \$900,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$900,000 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue to enter into an interagency contract with the Forensic Science Department at Sam Houston State University for assistance with the onboarding of analysts in the seized drug and toxicology disciplines at state crime labs. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2020, are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2021.
- **53.** Contingency Rider: Prioritize the Testing of Sexual Assault Kits and Improve Crime Lab Services. In addition to the amounts appropriated above and contingent upon enactment of legislation that would require the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to reduce the DNA evidence backlog and increase state crime lab capacity, DPS is appropriated \$23,074,445 in fiscal year 2020 and \$14,566,550 in fiscal year 2021 in General Revenue Funds and 122.0 additional full-time equivalent positions in each fiscal year, to increase crime lab capacity and to prioritize the testing of backlogged Sexual Assault Kits.

# 54. Differential Pay.

- In addition to other amounts appropriated by this Act to the Department of Public Safety, the amount of \$500,000 is appropriated from the general revenue fund to the department for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2021, for the purpose of providing differential pay for hard to fill or specialized service non-commissioned officer positions.
- b. The Department of Public Safety is authorized to pay differential pay for hard to fill or specialized service non-commissioned officer positions, so long as the resulting salary rate

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does not exceed the rate designated as the maximum rate fort the applicable salary group. An employee is no longer eligible to receive this pay when the employee transfers to a position or locality that is not hard to fill or a specialized service.

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