Issue Docket
Conference Committee on House Bill 1
2020-21 General Appropriations Bill
Article VI - Natural Resources
As of April 15, 2019

551 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ltem	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
B.2.1 REGULATE PESTICIDE USE	VI-1 \$ 25,035,354	VI-1 \$ 25,035,354	\$-	House provides \$91,100 in Economic Stabilization Funds for Organic Certification Software.
C.1.2 NUTRITION ASSISTANCE (STATE)	\$ 27,782,530	\$ 29,782,530	\$ 2,000,000	Senate provides \$91,100 in General Revenue for the same purpose. Senate provides an increase of \$2,000,000 in General Revenue for the Texans Feeding Texans (Home Delivered Meals Program). Program funding totals
D.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 11,521,517	\$ 11,521,517	\$-	\$19,742,876 for the 2020-21 biennium. House provides \$350,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for CAPPS implementation.
D.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 7,462,706	\$ 8,489,334	\$ 1,026,628	Senate provides \$350,000 in General Revenue for the same purpose. House provides an increase of \$973,372 from the Economic Stabilization Fund and capital budget authority for Information System Security Strategy. Senate provides an increase of \$2,000,000 from General Revenue and capital budget authority for Consolidation and Modernization of Legacy Systems.
Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Cost Recovery Programs Texas Economic Development Fund No. 183	VI-8, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VI-1 VI-11, Rider #28 Rider Packet, page VI-4	VI-8, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VI-1 VI-11, Rider #28 Rider Packet, page VI-4		Senate provides for reporting deadlines for the fourth quarter to be no later than the second business week in September. House provides estimated appropriation authority for investment returns from Texas Economic Development Fund No. 183. Senate provides estimated appropriation authority for all available earnings

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Unexpended Balances Within the Biennium		VI-11, Rider #29 Rider Packet, page VI-4		Senate provides unexpended balance authority within the biennium for the agency, specifying that any amount from cost recovery programs may only be carried forward into the same program from which the funding originated.

554 ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

Item	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VI-11	VI-11		
Schedule of Exempt Positions	\$ 164,015	\$ 147,614		
A.1.1 FIELD OPERATIONS	\$ 21,427,322	\$ 21,585,196	\$ 157,874	House provides \$216,526 in General Revenue for inspector FTE salary increases.
				Senate provides \$374,400 in General Revenue for the same purpose.
B.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,892,756	\$ 2,894,500	\$ 1,744	Senate provides increased General Revenue for the Executive Director salary.
B.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 2,687,307	\$ 2,687,307	\$-	House provides \$400,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for IT Business Initiative capital project:
				Senate provides \$400,000 in General Revenue for the same purpose.

582 COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

	House	Senate		1
Item	2020-21	2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Technical Adjustment	VI-14 VI-19, Rider #9 Rider Packet, page VI-5	VI-14		Amend Rider 9, Federal Funds and Capital Budget Expenditures, in the Senate Bill to remove requirements that eligible funding under the revised authority be designated solely for the purpose of specific capital items.
Cross-Strategy Issue				 Vehicle Replacements House provides an increase of \$2,376,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for the replacement of 79 vehicles and 3 boats that have exceeded their lifecycles.
				 2) Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) Implementation House provides an increase of \$1,602,993 and 10.0 FTEs each fiscal year in Economic Stabilization Funds for implementation of the Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS) Senate provides an increase of \$1,202,244 and 7.5 FTEs each fiscal year in multiple General Revenue–Dedicated accounts for the same purpose.
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	2,822.8	2,802.3		 House provides 10.0 FTEs each fiscal year for the processing of expedited air permit applications paid for by fee revenues. House provides 8.0 FTEs each fiscal year for routine comprehensive investigations of active municipal solid waste landfills. House provides 10.0 FTEs each fiscal year for implementation of the Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS). Senate provides 7.5 FTEs for the same purpose.
Schedule of Exempt Positions	\$ 235,028	\$ 211,415		

	House	Senate		
				Explanation
Item	2020-21 \$ 324,562,680	2020-21 \$ 224,244,070		 Explanation a. House provides an increase of \$96,595,456 in General Revenue–Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151 for the Low-Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (LIRAP). b. House provides an increase of \$6,000,500 in General Revenue–Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151 for Local Air Pollution Grants to reduce ozone in near-non attainment areas. Senate provides an increase of \$3,000,000 in General Revenue–Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151 for the same purpose. c. House provides an increase of \$947,500 in Economic Stabilization Funds to upgrade two vans and to purchase one additional fan for mobile air monitoring. Senate provides an increase of \$393,000 in General Revenue–Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151 to upgrade one van for mobile air monitoring. d. House provides an increase of \$184,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds to replace a Scanning Electron Microscope with House. Senate provides an increase of \$168,154 in Economic Stabilization Funds to replace a Scanning Electron Microscope with House. Senate provides an increase of \$168,154 in Economic Stabilization Funds for vehicle replacements. f. House provides an increase of \$168,154 in Economic Stabilization Funds for vehicle replacements. f. House provides an increase of \$148,628 in Economic Stabilization Funds for Air Modeling .
A.1.2 WATER ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING	\$ 56,805,085	\$ 56,538,866	\$ 266,219	Account No. 151 for the same purpose. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1.

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A.2.1 AIR QUALITY PERMITTING	\$ 31,928,740	\$ 31,303,740	\$ 625,000	 a. House provides unexpended balances authority for surcharge revenues from fiscal year 2019 into 2020 in General Revenue–Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151 for the processing of expedited air permit applications.
A.3.1 RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS MGMT	\$ 13,192,514	\$ 11,072,514	\$ 2,120,000	 b. House provides an additional 10.0 FTEs for processing these permit applications. House provides an increase of \$7,120,000 in General Revenue–Dedicated Environmental Radiation and Perpetual Care Account No. 5158 for continuing radioactive pollution mitigation projects initiated in the 2018 19 biennium.
				radioactive pollution mitigation projects initiated in the 2018-19 biennium. Senate provides an increase of \$5,000,000 from the same funds and makes completing the Lamprecht mitigation project a priority.
C.1.1 FIELD INSPECTIONS & COMPLAINTS	\$ 100,624,203	\$ 97,436,108	\$ 3,188,095	House provides: a. An increase of \$932,016 in General Revenue–Dedicated Waste Management Account No. 549 and 8.0 FTEs each fiscal year for routine comprehensive investigations of active municipal solid waste landfills.
				 b An increase of \$400,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for four Optical Gas Imaging Cameras. c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1.
C.1.2 ENFORCEMENT & COMPLIANCE SUPPORT	\$ 26,299,866	\$ 26,281,580	\$ 18,286	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1.
F.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 52,394,777	\$ 52,008,036	\$ 386,741	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2.
F.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 50,383,145	\$ 50,277,500		a. House provides an increase of \$217,361 in Economic Stabilization Funds for PC replacement.
				Senate provides equal funding in several General Revenue–Dedicated accounts.

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ltem	2020-21	2020-21	Diennial Difference	Explanation
				 House provides an increase of \$154,813 in Economic Stabilization Funds for PC replacement.
				Senate provides equal funding in several General Revenue–Dedicated accounts.
				c. House provides an increase of \$97,501 for Printer Replacement and \$24,375 for operational support in Economic Stabilization Funds.
				Senate provides an increase of \$97,501 in multiple General Revenue–Dedicated accounts for the same purpose.
				d. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2.
Air Quality Planning	VI-19, Rider #7 Rider Packet, page VI-5	VI-24, Rider #27 Rider Packet, page VI-5		House rider designates \$6,000,500 for the biennium in General Revenue–Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151 for air quality planning activities to reduce ozone in near nonattainment areas and includes Atascoca, Bandera, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina, and Wilson counties. All 16 areas identified would each receive \$350,000.
				Senate rider identifies similar, but fewer counties and designates \$3,000,000 for the biennium from the same funding source for the same reason. All 9 areas identified would each receive \$333,332.
Environmental Radiation and Perpetual Care	VI-21, Rider #14 Rider Packet, page VI-6	VI-20, Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VI-6		House identifies \$7,120,000 for the biennium for continuing projects initiated in the 2018-19 biennium to mitigate the release of radioactive material.
				Senate identifies \$5,000,000 for the biennium and directs TCEQ to prioritize these funds for the completion of the Lamprecht radioactive material mitigation project.
Texas Emissions Reduction Plan (TERP): Grants and Administration	VI-21, Rider #19 Rider Packet, page VI-6	VI-21, Rider #18 Rider Packet, page VI-6		House allocates \$33,171,812 in fiscal year 2020 and \$33,171,811 in fiscal year 2021 to the Emissions Reduction Incentive Grant Program.
				Senate allocates \$30,171,812 in fiscal year 2020 and \$30,171,811 in fiscal year 2021 to the Emissions Reduction Incentive Grant Program and \$3,000,000 each fiscal year to the Governmental Alternative Fuel Fleet Program.

305 GENERAL LAND OFFICE AND VETERANS' LAND BOARD

Item	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VI-25	VI-24		
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	722.0	732.0		Senate provides 10.0 FTEs each fiscal year, contingent on FEMA funds becoming unavailable.
A.2.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT	\$ 21,310,181	\$ 18,598,683	\$ 2,711,498	House and Senate provide \$4,984,524 in Other Funds for CAPPS implementation, which includes \$4,728,825 Veterans Land Program Administration Fund 522 and \$255,699 Texas Veterans Home Administration Fund 322: House provides an additional \$4,563,828 from the Permanent School Fund No. 44 for CAPPS.
D.1.1 HOUSING PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES	\$ 3,679,516,621	\$ 3,681,075,869	\$ 1,559,248	Senate provides an additional \$1,852,330 from the Permanent School Fund No. 44 for CAPPS.
				Senate provides General Revenue to retain 10.0 FTEs each fiscal year if FEMA funds become unavailable.
State Energy Marketing Program	VI-30 Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VI-8	VI-30 Rider #13 Rider Packet, page VI-8		House includes legislative intent that GLO use only revenue generated from royalties taken in kind to purchase power and to manage the State Power Program.
Unexpended Balances of Earned Federal Funds for Disaster Recovery Program	VI-31 Rider #20 Rider Packet, page VI-8			House provides unexpended balanace authority for earned federal funds related to the Disaster Recovery Program from fiscal year 2019 into fiscal year 2020.
Contingency Appropriation for Disaster Recovery Program		VI-31 Rider #20 Rider Packet, page VI-8		Senate provides \$779,624 in General Revenue each fiscal year to retain 10.0 FTEs each fiscal year if FEMA funds become unavailable.

802 PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

ltem	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Evaluation
	VI-32	VI-32	blemma binerence	Explanation
	VI-52	VI-52		
Cross-Strategy Issues				1) Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST)
				House provides \$232,394,574 in General Revenue identified as Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST).
				Senate provides \$321,574,000, the maximum estimated amount of SGST revenue, based on the Comptroller of Public Accounts Biennial Revenue Estimate.
				2) CAPPS, Financial Module, Deployment
				House provides \$2,694,318 in Economic Stabilization Funds and 12.5 FTEs in fiscal year 2020 and 13.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2021.
				Senate provides \$2,020,738 in General Revenue and 9.4 FTEs in fiscal year 2020 and 9.8 FTEs in fiscal year 2021.
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	3,213.1	3,209.9	3.2	2 See Cross Strategy Issue 2
Schedule of Exempt Positions	\$ 226,749	\$ 204,074		
B.1.1 STATE PARK OPERATIONS	\$ 173,154,141	\$ 166,981,011	\$ 6,173,130	
				a. House provides \$7,255,197 in SGST and \$375,000 in General Revenue- Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64 for state park operations.
				 House provides \$2,967,840 in Economic Stabilization Funds for state park transportation items and equipment.
				c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.1.2 PARKS MINOR REPAIR PROGRAM	\$ 10,766,426	\$ 9,973,230	\$ 793,196	
				 a. House provides \$800,000 in General Revenue Dedicated-State Parks Account No. 64 for parks minor repair projects.
				b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.1.3 PARKS SUPPORT	\$ 12,180,494	\$ 11,448,334	\$ 732,160	

ltem	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
				House provides \$732,160 in Economic Stabilization Funds for state park transportation items and equipment.
B.2.1 LOCAL PARK GRANTS	\$ 24,487,822	\$ 25,132,685	\$ 644,863	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.2.2 BOATING ACCESS AND OTHER GRANTS	\$ 17,063,118	\$ 17,174,686	\$ 111,568	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
C.1.1 ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS	\$ 125,644,583	\$ 124,644,583		 a. House provides \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 in Economic Stabilization Funds for interoperable radios. Senate provides the same amount in the supplemental bill. b. House provides \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 in Economic Stabilization Funds
D.1.1 IMPROVEMENTS AND MAJOR REPAIRS	\$ 127,068,575	\$ 118,238,033	\$ 8,830,542	 for law enforcement equipment c. Senate provides \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2020 in General Revenue for a law enforcement airplane. a. House provides \$12,500,000 in fiscal year 2020 in Economic Stabilization Funds for continued development of the Palo Pinto Mountain State Park.
				 b. House provides \$95,630,825 in Economic Stabilization Funds for deferred maintenance at state park-related and wildlife-related facilities. Senate provides \$91,300,283 in SGST for deferred maintenance at state park-related facilities and \$8,000,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish, and Water Safety Account No. 9 in fiscal year 2020 for deferred maintenance at certain fish hatcheries.
E.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 20,977,492	\$ 20,582,770	· ·	a. Senate provides \$2,546 in General Revenue each fiscal year for the Executive Director salary increase.
E.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 27,933,698	\$ 27,606,130	\$ 327,568	 b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2 a. House provides \$53,802 in SGST for state park operations. b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2

Item	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Appropriation: Unexpended Balances for Construction Projects		VI-36 Rider #4 Rider Packet, page VI-10		House provides unexpended balances authority from fiscal year 2019 into fiscal year 2020 for SGST and General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish, and Water Safety Account No. 9 for construction projects.
Payments to License Agents, Tax Assessor Collectors, and License Vendor	VI-38 Rider #11 Rider Packet, page VI-11	VI-38 Rider #11 Rider Packet, page VI-11		House modifies the amount of General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish, and Water Safety Account No. 9 identified in the agency's budget for payments to license agents.
Appropriation: Unexpended Balances for Deferred Maintenance	VI-43 Rider #32 Rider Packet, page VI-11	VI-42 Rider #32 Rider Packet, page VI-11		Senate directs that unexpended balances carried forward from the 2018-19 biennium for deferred maintenance and construction projects shall be included in the same project category in the 2020-21 biennium.
Maximum Appropriation of Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST) Revenue		VI-42 Rider #33 Rider Packet, page VI-12		Senate appropriates the statutory maximum allocation of SGST revenue to the agency.
Northern Bobwhite Quail Interagency Contract	VI-43 Rider #33 Rider Packet, page VI-12			Senate deletes rider that directs the agency to enter into an interagency contract with the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service for activities related to the northern bobwhite quail.
Appropriation of State Park Concession Revenue	VI-44 Rider #35 Rider Packet, page VI-13			House appropriates concession receipt revenue generated at state park facilities from General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64 in excess of amounts already appropriated (not to exceed \$200,000 in each fiscal year) to enhance the state park concession system.

455 RAILROAD COMMISSION

ltem	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VI-44	VI-43		
Technical Adjustment				 Method of Finance Swap for Inspector FTE Funding House provides \$2,695,248 in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 (GR-D No. 5155) in excess of the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Biennial Revenue Estimate for pipeline safety and oil and gas well inspectors. Technical adjustment would swap this amount from GR-D No. 5155 to General Revenue generated by the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax. Align GR-D Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 House and Senate both utilize all available projected revenue and balances in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 (GR-D No. 5155). Technical adjustment would align provided GR-D No. 5155 among strategies to reflect conference committee decisions and maintain
Cross-Strategy Issue				 appropriation of all available projected revenue and balances. 1) Mainframe Transformation Capital IT Project House provides \$26,898,353 in ESF for the Mainframe Transformation capital IT project. Senate provides General Revenue generated by the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax for the same purpose.

ltem	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
A.1.1 ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	\$ 47,968,798	\$ 46,936,588	\$ 1,032,210	 a. House provides \$1,032,210 in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 for processing and issuing permits, making groundwater advisory determinations, and maintaining accurate maps. b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.1.1 PIPELINE SAFETY	\$ 23,358,339	\$ 23,358,339	\$-	See Technical Adjustment 1
C.1.1 OIL/GAS MONITOR & INSPECTIONS	\$ 69,666,945	\$ 65,850,111	\$ 3,816,834	 a. House provides \$2,105,983 in General Revenue generated from the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax and \$7,345,355 in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 for oil and gas well monitoring and inspections. Senate provides \$7,115,952 in General Revenue generated from the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax for the same purpose. b. House and Senate provide 12.0 FTEs for additional oil and gas inspectors: House provides \$1,481,448 in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 and increases the FTE cap (see Technical Adjustment 1). Senate only increases the FTE cap. c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1

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C.2.1 OIL&GAS WELL PLUGGING & REMEDIATION D.1.1 PUBLIC INFORMATION AND SERVICES	\$ 109,291,152 \$ 7,382,739	\$ 62,445,285	\$ 1,169,805	 a. House provides \$39,100,000 in Economic Stabilization Funds for well plugging activities. b. House provides \$16,051,924 in General Revenue generated from the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax for oil and gas well plugging and site remediation. Senate provides \$8,306,057 in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 for the same purpose. c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1 a. House provides \$1,241,313 in General Revenue generated by the Gas Utility Pipeline Tax to provide public/industry access to information. Senate provides \$71,508 in General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 for the same purpose. b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1 b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1

592 SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD

Item	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	IV-49	IV-49		
Schedule of Exempt Positions	\$ 150,000	\$ 142,303		
A.2.1 FLOOD CONTROL DAM MAINTENANCE	\$ 29,415,752	\$ 26,418,753	\$ 2,996,999	
				a. House adds \$3,000,000 in General Revenue for dam rehabilitation projects that do not quality for federal funding.
				 House adds \$828,856 in General Revenue for dam rehabilitation projects that qualify for federal funding.
				Senate adds \$831,857 in General Revenue for the same purpose.
B.1.2 POLLUTION ABATEMENT PLAN	\$ 8,214,136	\$ 8,255,426	\$ 41,290	
				Senate adds \$41,290 from General Revenue for the Nonpoint Source Grant Program to address a backlog of Water Quality Management Planning requests.
C.1.1 WATER CONSERVATION AND ENHANCEMENT	\$ 4,991,150	\$ -	\$ 4,991,150	
				House adds General Revenue to re-establish the Water Supply Enhancement Program at 2018-19 appropriated levels.
C.1.2 CARRIZO CANE ERADICATION	\$ 2,952,000	\$ 3,783,860	\$ 831,860	
				Senate adds General Revenue for carrizo cane eradication.

580 WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

ltem	House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	VI-52 350.1	VI-51 340.1		House provides 10.0 FTEs for a range of flood-related activities, including mapping, modeling, and distribution of critical flood-related data.
Schedule of Exempt Positions, Executive Administrator, Group 5				
A.4.1 STATE AND FEDERAL FLOOD PROGRAMS	\$ 96,305,326	\$ 91,857,326	\$ 4,448,000	
				House provides an increase in General Revenue for a range of flood-related activities, including mapping, modeling, and distribution of critical flood-related data.
D.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 10,946,932	\$ 10,949,376	\$ 2,444	Senate provides an increase in General Revenue to increase the salary of the Executive Administrator.
D.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 5,812,296	\$ 5,812,296	\$ -	
				House provides \$588,063 in the Economic Stabilization Funds for CAPPS implementation.
				Senate provides \$588,063 in General Revenue for the same purpose.
Study of Aquifers and Brackish Groundwater	VI-59, Rider #24 Rider Packet, page VI-14			House directs agency to use appropriations for contract costs for studies related to designating priority zones for the production of brackish groundwater and for administrative costs in implementing the studies.

Article VI Agencies with No Issues

House 2020-21	Senate 2020-21	Biennial Difference	Explanation
VI-31	VI-31		
	2020-21	2020-21 2020-21	2020-21 2020-21 Biennial Difference