

Issue Docket

Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1

2022-23 General Appropriations Bill

Article VIII

As of May 19, 2021

360 STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-1	VIII-1		
Cross-Article Issues A.1.1 CONDUCT HEARINGS	\$ 18,389,979	\$ 18,639,979	HOUSE Adopted into HB2 \$250,000 GR	House provides an increase of \$250,000 in General Revenue for the purpose of Administrative Case Tracking System (ACTS) ongoing annual maintenance. See Information Technology - Other IT Projects , Page 3.
Billing Rate for Workload	VIII-3 Rider 7 Rider Packet, page VIII-1	VIII-3 Rider 7 Rider Packet, page VIII-1		House removes provision related to use of Hearing Activity Report (HARP) in determining actual hourly costs for purposes of billing rate for workload.

510 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-4	VIII-4		
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	68.0	64.0	SENATE	Senate provides 4.0 additional FTEs for Licensing Programs.
Cross-Strategy Issues			SENATE	1) Capitol Complex Completion Senate provides \$85,000 in General Revenue for conference room furniture to be used in new office space in Bush Building. House provides \$85,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.
			HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	2) Information Technology - CAPPs Senate provides \$12,000 in General Revenue to make an Accountant position full-time to help with increased workload from implementation of CAPPs Financials. House provides \$12,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.
			HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	3) Information Technology - Other IT Projects Senate provides \$9,182 in General Revenue for the agency's share of the cost to upgrade the Oracle software license at the Health Professions Council (HPC). House provides funding from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 to HPC for this purpose therefore BHEC would not see an increased cost for HPC services.

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
A.1.1 LICENSING	\$ 5,467,492	\$ 5,126,081	\$ 341,411	
			SENATE	a. Senate provides \$288,320 in General Revenue for 4.0 FTE for the Licensing program.
				b. See Cross-Strategy Issues 1, 2, and 3.
B.1.1 ENFORCEMENT	\$ 3,911,469	\$ 3,858,378	\$ 53,091	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1, 2, and 3.

508 BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-6	VIII-6		
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	14.0	13.0		Senate provides 1.0 FTE for an investigator for the Houston region
A.2.1 ENFORCEMENT	\$ 1,003,310	\$ 904,128	\$ 99,182	Restoration of 5% Reduction: Senate provides \$99,182 in General Revenue to restore the 5% reduction and hire an investigator for the Houston region.
B.1.1 INDIRECT ADMIN ENFORCE AND LICENSE	\$ 408,838	\$ 338,838	\$ 70,000	Capitol Complex Completion - Move to George H.W. Bush Building: Senate provides \$30,000 in General Revenue for the anticipated transition of IT functions to State Data Center and \$40,000 in General Revenue for office furniture when the agency moves to the George H.W. Bush Building. House provides \$70,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in HB2 for the same purposes.

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-8	VIII-8		<p>1) Capitol Complex Completion</p> <p>Senate provides \$83,055 in General Revenue Funds for office furniture and data management transition expenses related to the relocation of the agency into the George H.W. Bush Building at 1801 Congress.</p> <p>House provides \$83,055 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.</p>
A.1.1 COMPLAINT RESOLUTION	\$ 6,178,553	\$ 5,964,984	\$ 213,569	<p>a. Information Technology - Other IT Projects</p> <p>Senate provides \$42,630 in Interagency Contracts (IAC) for an upgrade to an Oracle software license as part of the HPC's request to upgrade the Shared Regulatory Database. Of the General Revenue to pay for the IAC, \$9,018 is allocated to TSBDE.</p> <p>House provides \$42,630 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose. The ESF would be appropriated directly to HPC for this purpose, without being allocated at participating agencies.</p> <p>b. Senate provides \$147,976 in General Revenue Funds to restore appropriations for the salaries of positions affected by the Reduction in Force implemented to meet the 5% Reduction.</p> <p><u>Positions funded include:</u> Anesthesia Investigator - \$56,560 Statewide Investigator - \$91,416</p> <p>c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1</p>

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
A.2.1 LICENSURE/REGISTRATION/CERT	\$ 2,140,517	\$ 2,116,333	\$ 24,184	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.1.1 INDIRECT ADMIN - LICENSURE	\$ 89,998	\$ 88,850	\$ 1,148	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.1.2 IND ADMIN - COMPLAINT RESOLUTION	\$ 95,734	\$ 94,586	\$ 1,148	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1

513 FUNERAL SERVICE COMMISSION

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-9	VIII-9	<div>HOUSE Adopt in HB2</div> <div>SENATE</div> <div>SENATE</div> <div>SENATE</div>	<p>1) Health Professions Council Oracle License: Senate provides \$1,148 in General Revenue for the agency's share of the cost to upgrade the Oracle software license at the Health Professions Council (HPC).</p> <p>House provides funding from the Economic Stabilization Fund to HPC for this purpose therefore Funeral Services Commission would not see an increased cost for HPC services.</p> <p>2) Capitol Complex Completion - Move to George H.W. Bush Building: Senate provides \$50,000 in General Revenue for furniture for the capitol complex move to the George H.W. Bush Building.</p> <p>House provides \$50,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.</p> <p>3) Exempt Salary - Executive Director Increase: Senate provides \$10,822 in General Revenue for a salary increase for the executive director. Increase in authority, includes additional GR funding.</p> <p>4) Staff Salary Increase: Senate provides \$47,002 for staff salary increases for eight staff members</p>
Schedule of Exempt Positions	105,132	99,721		See Cross-Strategy Issue 3
A.1.1 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS	\$ 693,522	\$ 662,194	\$ 31,328	See Cross-Strategy Issues 2, 3, 4
B.1.1 INSPECTIONS	\$ 400,071	\$ 375,839	\$ 24,232	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1, 2, 3, 4
B.2.1 RULE COMPLIANCE	\$ 603,962	\$ 550,550	\$ 53,412	See Cross-Strategy Issues 2, 3, 4

481 BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOSCIENTISTS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-11	VIII-11	SENATE	1) Restoration of 5% Reduction: Senate provides \$55,671 in General Revenue for filling a staff vacancy.
			SENATE AS AMENDED; \$34,214 IN GR	2) Capitol Complex Completion - Move to George H.W. Bush Building: Senate provides \$32,000 to replace furniture and laptops.
				House provides \$34,214 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for replacement of furniture and laptops.
A.1.1 APPLICATION REVIEW	\$ 288,925	\$ 270,254	\$ 18,671	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2
B.1.1 ENFORCEMENT	\$ 407,685	\$ 406,865	\$ 820	Information Technology - Other IT - Health Professions Council Oracle License: Senate provides \$820 in General Revenue for the agency's share of the cost to upgrade the Oracle software license at the Health Professions Council (HPC).
			HOUSE Adopt in HB2	House provides funding from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 directly to HPC for this purpose; therefore Board of Professional Geoscientists would not see an increased cost for HPC services.
C.1.1 INDIRECT ADMIN	\$ 92,526	\$ 23,526	\$ 69,000	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2

364 HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-13	VIII-12		
A.1.1 AGENCY COORDINATION AND SUPPORT	\$ 2,972,361	\$ 2,929,731	\$ 42,630	Information Technology - Other IT Projects Senate provides \$42,630 in Interagency Contracts (IAC) for an upgrade to an Oracle software license as part of the agency's request to upgrade the Shared Regulatory Database. The \$42,630 in General Revenue to pay for the IAC is allocated at certain HPC-participating agencies as described below: Plumbing Examiners \$5,574 Geoscientists \$820 Dental Examiners \$9,018 Funeral Service Commission \$1,148 Optometry \$984 Pharmacy \$15,904 Behavioral Health Executive Council \$9,182 House provides \$42,630 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose. The ESF would be appropriated directly to HPC for this purpose, without being allocated at participating agencies as described above.
			HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	

448 OFFICE OF INJURED EMPLOYEE COUNSEL

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
No Issues	VIII-14	VIII-14		

454 DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-16	VIII-16		
Contingency Appropriation: State Regulatory Response		VIII-22 Rider 19 Rider Packet, page VIII-4		Conforming/technical change: House provides contingency rider for State Regulatory Response including \$4,400,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Fund 36 amounts and 40.0 FTEs. Senate provides same funding. Conforming change to include rider and associated FTEs in final GAA.
Cross-Strategy/Cross-Article Issue			HOUSE	1) Information Technology - Other IT Projects - Website modernization, automation, and replacement of Division of Workers' Compensation COMPASS System Senate provides \$4,973,255 for partial restoration of five percent limit reduction for operations modernization efforts, including replacement of Division of Workers' Compensation COMPASS System. House provides \$4,973,254 in HB2 for the same purpose. See Information Technology - Other IT Projects, Page 4
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	1,222.0	1,250.0	ADOPT AS AMENDED; 1,262.0 FTEs	
A.1.2 CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	\$ 13,461,274	\$ 11,841,430	\$ 1,619,844	See Cross-Strategy/Cross-Article Issue 1
B.2.2 LIFE & HEALTH REGULATION	\$ 10,785,042	\$ 9,435,042	\$ 1,350,000	See Cross-Strategy/Cross-Article Issue 1
D.1.1 OVERSIGHT AND COMPLIANCE	\$ 15,650,278	\$ 14,150,278	\$ 1,500,000	See Cross-Strategy/Cross-Article Issue 1
D.1.2 DISPUTE RESOLUTION	\$ 19,174,901	\$ 18,671,490	\$ 503,411	See Cross-Strategy/Cross-Article Issue 1

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
G.1.1 CONTINGENCY HEALTH INS RISK POOL	\$ 42,827,477	\$ -	SENATE AS AMENDED; \$43,383,914	Senate provides \$1,774,953 in General Revenue-Dedicated Fund 36 amounts, \$41,052,524 in Premium Stabilization Fund 329 amounts, and 12.0 FTEs to implement provisions of legislation related to the administration of a temporary health insurance risk pool, contingent on enactment of SB 874 or similar legislation. Adopt as Amended to align with current 87R Fiscal Note GR-D amounts; \$2,331,390 in GR-D Fund 36 and \$41,052,524 in PSF Fund 329.
Contingency Appropriation: Health Insurance Risk Pool	VIII-22 Rider 19 Rider Packet, page VIII-3		SENATE AS AMENDED	Senate provides \$1,774,953 in General Revenue-Dedicated Fund 36 amounts, \$41,052,524 in Premium Stabilization Fund 329 amounts, and 12.0 FTEs to implement provisions of legislation related to the administration of a temporary health insurance risk pool, contingent on enactment of SB 874 or similar legislation. Adopt as Amended to align with current 87R Fiscal Note GR-D amounts; \$2,331,390 in GR-D Fund 36 and \$41,052,524 in PSF Fund 329.

359 OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSURANCE COUNSEL

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
No Issues	VIII-23	VIII-23		

452 DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-24	VIII-24		
B.1.1 CONDUCT INSPECTIONS	\$ 20,713,589	\$ 20,338,589	\$ 375,000 HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	Vehicles Senate includes \$375,000 in General Revenue for replacement of 11 vehicles. House includes \$375,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.
C.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 11,462,891	\$ 9,462,891	\$ 2,000,000 HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	Information Technology - Other IT Projects Senate includes \$2,000,000 in General Revenue for Licensing System - Phase II. House includes \$2,000,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.
Conference Committee Revisions and Additions Contingency for House Bill 2106			ADOPT \$2,657,211 in GR	Add a rider appropriating \$2,657,211 in General Revenue, contingent on enactment of House Bill 2106 or similar legislation relating to the prevention, identification, investigation, and enforcement of payment card fraud.

503 TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-28	VIII-28		
Technical Adjustments			SENATE	1) Capital Budget Consolidation Senate includes a no-cost adjustment to the allocation of capital budget components. Item a) Replacement of Computer Hardware, Desktops, and Laptops and item b) Printer Scanner Life Replacement are merged to create one item, Replacement of Computers, Hardware, and Printer Scanners.
Cross-Strategy Issues			SENATE AS AMENDED \$3,004,500 in GR	1) Capitol Complex Completion Senate provides \$2,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for office and IT infrastructure build-out, furniture, and boardroom expenses related to the relocation of the agency into the George H.W. Bush Building at 1801 Congress. House provides \$3,004,500 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.
A.1.1 LICENSING	\$ 6,508,210	\$ 6,008,210	\$ 500,000	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
B.1.1 ENFORCEMENT	\$ 16,928,312	\$ 15,928,312	\$ 1,000,000	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
C.1.1 INDIRECT ADMIN	\$ 1,730,760	\$ 1,398,793	\$ 331,967	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
C.1.2 INDIRECT ADMIN	\$ 3,203,178	\$ 3,035,145	\$ 168,033	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1

507 TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-32	VIII-31		<p>1) Capitol Complex Completion Senate provides \$597,512 in General Revenue Funds for expenses related to the relocation of the agency into the George H.W. Bush Building at 1801 Congress.</p> <p><u>Relocation Expenses:</u> Office furniture and office build-out - \$197,136 IT infrastructure build-out and transition - \$400,376</p> <p>House provides \$597,512 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purposes.</p> <p>2) Partial Restoration of 5% Reduction Senate provides \$444,000 in General Revenue Funds to restore appropriations for temporary workers hired during peak licensing time periods and to fill two vacant licensing FTEs.</p>
Schedule of Exempt Positions	169,537	166,879		<p>Exempt Salary - Executive Director Senate includes \$5,316 in additional authority and GR funding to increase the Executive Director's salary.</p> <p>Current Salary/Authority: \$166,879/Group 5</p>
A.1.1 LICENSING	\$ 13,803,969	\$ 13,342,823	\$ 461,146	<p>a. See Schedule of Exempt Positions b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1 c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2</p>

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
A.2.1 ACCREDITATION	\$ 1,340,890	\$ 1,275,038	\$ 65,852	
				a. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
				b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2
B.1.1 ADJUDICATE VIOLATIONS	\$ 7,021,670	\$ 6,615,840	\$ 405,830	
				a. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
				b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2
C.1.1 INDIRECT ADMIN - LICENSING	\$ 1,251,223	\$ 1,151,223	\$ 100,000	a. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2
C.1.2 INDIRECT ADMIN - ENFORCEMENT	\$ 629,343	\$ 615,343	\$ 14,000	a. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2

514 OPTOMETRY BOARD

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-35	VIII-35		<p>1) Capitol Complex Completion</p> <p>Senate provides \$38,390 in General Revenue Funds for expenses related to the relocation of the agency into the George H.W. Bush Building at 1801 Congress.</p> <p><u>Relocation expenses:</u> Furniture and office build-out - \$33,870 IT transition - \$4,520</p> <p>House provides \$38,390 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.</p> <p>2) Staff Salary Increases</p> <p>Senate provides \$14,000 in General Revenue Funds to institute merit-based raises for staff.</p>
A.1.1 LICENSURE AND ENFORCEMENT	\$ 716,642	\$ 655,968	\$ 60,674	<p>a. Information Technology - Other IT Projects</p> <p>Senate provides \$42,630 in Interagency Contracts (IAC) for an upgrade to an Oracle software license as part of the HPC's request to upgrade the Shared Regulatory Database. Of the General Revenue appropriated for the IAC, \$984 is allocated to Optometry Board.</p> <p>House provides \$42,630 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose. The ESF would be appropriated directly to HPC for this purpose, without being allocated at participating agencies.</p>

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
			HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	b. Information Technology - Other IT Projects Senate provides \$8,000 in General Revenue Funds to restore appropriations for computer replacement (\$5,000) and traveling to complete inspections (\$3,000). House provides \$8,000 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.
			SENATE SENATE	c. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1 d See Cross-Strategy Issue 2
A.1.4 INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 211,508	\$ 210,808	\$ 700	a. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2

515 BOARD OF PHARMACY

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-36	VIII-36		
B.1.1 ENFORCEMENT	\$ 10,411,523	\$ 10,395,619	\$ 15,904 HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	Information Technology - Other IT Projects Senate provides \$15,904 in General Revenue for the agency's share of the cost to upgrade the Oracle software license at the Health Professions Council (HPC). House provides funding from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 to HPC for this purpose therefore TSBP would not see an increased cost for HPC services.
B.1.3 PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM	\$ 4,976,876	\$ 10,018,376	\$ 5,041,500	Information Technology - Other IT Projects House provides \$5,041,500 in General Revenue for software subscriptions for certain enhancements to the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP).
Conference Committee Revisions and Additions				
Capitol Complex Move: Costs for Window Treatments			ADOPT \$7,050 in GR	Add \$7,050 in General Revenue for window treatments in new office space in George H. W. Bush Building.

533 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-38	VIII-38	<div>SENATE</div> <div>SENATE</div>	<div>1) Salary Increases: Senate provides \$36,498 in General Revenue for promotion and performance merit salary increases.</div> <div>2) Capitol Complex Completion - Move to George H.W. Bush Building: Senate provides \$39,754 in General Revenue for furniture for the capitol complex move to the George H.W. Bush Building.</div> <div>House provides \$39,754 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 for the same purpose.</div>
A.1.1 OPERATE LICENSING SYSTEM	\$ 1,554,747	\$ 1,502,962	\$ 51,785	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2
B.1.1 ADMINISTER ENFORCEMENT	\$ 943,993	\$ 921,514	\$ 22,479	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2
C.1.1 LICENSING INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 5,677	\$ 4,484	\$ 1,193	See Cross-Strategy Issue 2
C.1.2 ENFORCEMENT INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 3,783	\$ 2,988	\$ 795	See Cross-Strategy Issue 2

456 BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-40	VIII-40		
A.1.1 EXAMINE AND LICENSE PLUMBERS	\$ 2,369,070	\$ 2,363,496	\$ 5,574	Information Technology - Other IT Projects Senate provides \$5,574 in General Revenue for the agency's share of the cost to upgrade the Oracle software license at the Health Professions Council (HPC). House provides funding from the Economic Stabilization Fund in House Bill 2 to HPC for this purpose therefore TSBPE would not see an increased cost for HPC services.
Conference Committee Revisions and Additions Staff and Compensation			HOUSE Adopt in HB 2	
			ADOPT \$125,240 in GR	Add \$125,240 in General Revenue for the following: - \$75,240 and 1.0 FTE for a Customer Service Representative - \$50,000 for Personnel Compensation
Information Technology and Vehicles			Adopt in HB 2 \$83,700 in GR	Add \$83,700 in General Revenue in House Bill 2 for the following: - \$23,700 for IT enhancements to VERSA - \$60,000 to replace two agency vehicles

476 RACING COMMISSION

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
	VIII-42	VIII-42		
Cross-Strategy Issue			HOUSE Adopted into SB1 with GR-D 597	1) Capitol Complex Completion Senate provides \$148,386 in General Revenue Funds to the Racing Commission related to the Capitol Complex Completion. House provides \$204,307 in Economic Stabilization Funds in HB2 for the same purpose.
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	41.3	39.3		
D.1.1 CENTRAL ADMIN & OTHER SUPPORT SVCS	\$ 1,510,377	\$ 1,410,377	HOUSE Adopted into SB1 with GR-D 597	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
D.1.2 INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 1,045,076	\$ 996,690	HOUSE Adopted into SB1 with GR-D 597	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
E.1.1 HIEA GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	\$ 375,000	\$ -	\$ 375,000	Senate provides \$375,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Funds and an additional 2.0 FTEs for administration of the HIEA grant program contingent on enactment of legislation relating to the use of Horse Industry Escrow Account funds by the Racing Commission for grant administration purposes.
Contingency for HIEA Amendment	VIII-47 Rider 9 Rider Packet, page VIII-6			Senate provides \$375,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Funds and an additional 2.0 FTEs for administration of the HIEA grant program contingent on enactment of legislation relating to the use of Horse Industry Escrow Account funds by the Racing Commission for grant administration purposes.

312 SECURITIES BOARD

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issue	VIII-47	VIII-47	SENATE	Recover portion of 5% reduction: Senate provides portion of lapse due to 5% reduction (50% of remaining lapse; \$233,102 in General Revenue) to continue operating at FY2021 levels of registration, inspection, information technology, and administrative duties. Funds will be used for additional staff members and/or staff pay increases.
Schedule of Exempt Positions	172,087	162,491		Exempt Salary - Executive Director Authority Increase: Senate provides an increase of authority for the Executive Director within existing funds.
A.1.1 LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$ 6,186,959	\$ 5,876,157		Recover portion of 5% reduction attributable to law enforcement: Senate provides partial restoration of 5% reduction (\$310,802 in General Revenue) attributable to law enforcement duties regarding vulnerable victim legislation and overseeing cryptocurrency markets. Funds will be used for additional law enforcement staff members and/or law enforcement staff pay increases.
A.2.1 SECURITIES REGISTRATION	\$ 857,380	\$ 836,890		See Cross Strategy Issue
A.3.1 DEALER REGISTRATION	\$ 843,672	\$ 820,320		See Cross Strategy Issue
A.4.1 INSPECT RECORDS	\$ 3,898,620	\$ 3,799,124		See Cross Strategy Issue
B.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,950,920	\$ 2,875,260		See Cross Strategy Issue
B.1.2 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$ 569,464	\$ 555,360		See Cross Strategy Issue
Appropriations for FTEs	VIII-49, Rider 3 Rider Packet page VIII-7	-		Senate requires that the \$233,102 in General Revenue for the partial restoration of the 5% reduction is only for FTEs for registration, inspection, information technology, admin duties, and/or general counsel.

473 PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issue	VIII-49	VIII-49	HOUSE	Enhanced ERCOT oversight House provides \$1,691,000 in General Revenue for enhanced ERCOT oversight (8.0 FTEs).
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	210.0	218.0		House provides 8.0 more FTEs for enhanced ERCOT oversight
A.1.1 MARKET COMPETITION	\$ 10,245,394	\$ 11,753,146	\$ 1,507,752	See Cross-Strategy Issue
A.3.1 INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT	\$ 5,395,618	\$ 5,396,242	\$ 624	See Cross-Strategy Issue
C.1.1 CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,517,093	\$ 1,699,717	\$ 182,624	See Cross-Strategy Issue
Contingency for Senate Bill 3	VIII-52 Rider 4 Rider Packet, page VIII-8			Senate provides contingency rider for Senate Bill 3; the rider would provide an undetermined amount of funding, contingent upon passage.
Load Shed Protocols Study		VIII-52 Rider 4 Rider Packet, page VIII-8		House requires the Public Utility Commission to study the effects of load shedding protocols at ERCOT, as well as to submit a report to the legislature by September 1, 2022.
Public Utility Commission Biennial Report		VIII-52 Rider 5 Rider Packet, page VIII-8		House requires the Public Utility Commission to include in their biennial report whether ERCOT interconnection to Western, Eastern, or Mexico Interconnects would protect and further the interest of the public.

475 OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITY COUNSEL

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-52	VIII-52	<div>HOUSE</div> <div>HOUSE</div>	<div>1) Restoration of 5% Reduction: House provides \$213,577 as a restoration of the 5% Reduction to provide staff, training, and support.</div> <div>2) Funding to add 4 FTEs: House provides \$600,000 to add 4 FTEs to help the agency participate in more rulemaking and policy projects at PUC, and to provide more consumer advocacy with ERCOT.</div> <div>Senate funds the same item at 50% (\$300,000 and 2.0 FTEs).</div>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	22.5	24.5		House provides 2.0 FTEs to help the agency participate in more rulemaking and policy projects at PUC, and to provide more consumer advocacy with ERCOT.
A.1.1 PARTICIPATION IN CASES	\$ 3,048,840	\$ 3,408,343	\$ 359,503	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2
B.1.1 PARTICIPATION IN UTILITY PROJECTS	\$ 1,309,111	\$ 1,463,185	\$ 154,074	See Cross-Strategy Issues 1 and 2

578 BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Cross-Strategy Issues	VIII-54	VIII-54		
			SENATE	<p>1) Restoration of Five Percent Reduction Senate provides an increase of \$127,361 in General Revenue and an additional 1.4 FTEs to restore funding for a Legal Assistant (1.0 FTE) and an Administrative Assistant (0.4 FTE).</p> <p>2) Capitol Complex Completion Senate provides \$38,700 in General Revenue for office furniture and transitioning agency servers to DCS/Cloud services related to the relocation to new Capitol Complex offices.</p> <p>House provides \$63,700 from the Economic Stabilization Fund in the supplemental bill for office furniture, conference room furniture and equipment, and transitioning agency servers to DCS/Cloud services related to relocation to new Capitol Complex offices.</p>
			SENATE AS AMENDED; ADOPT \$63,700 IN GR	
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)	21.0	19.6		See Cross-Strategy Issue 1
A.1.1 OPERATE LICENSURE SYSTEM	\$ 630,524	\$ 611,174	\$ 19,350	See Cross-Strategy Issue 2: Senate adds \$19,350.
	\$ 643,024		SENATE AS AMENDED	
A.2.1 COMPLAINTS AND ACTION	\$ 1,877,993	\$ 1,708,643	\$ 169,350	
	\$ 1,890,493		SENATE	a. See Cross-Strategy Issue 1: Senate adds \$110,000.
			SENATE AS AMENDED	b. See Cross-Strategy Issue 2: Senate adds \$19,350.
			SENATE	c. Senate provides an increase of \$40,000 in General Revenue for Enforcement travel expenses.
B.1.1 LICENSING INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 66,343	\$ 61,982	\$ 4,361	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1: Senate adds \$4,361.
B.1.2 COMPLAINTS & ACTION INDIRECT ADMIN	\$ 113,422	\$ 100,422	\$ 13,000	See Cross-Strategy Issue 1: Senate adds \$13,000.

S08 SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO ALL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Item	Senate 2022-23	House 2022-23	Biennial Difference	Explanation
No Issues	VIII-57	VIII-56		

By: _____

Article VIII, Department of Insurance
Proposed Funding and Rider
Funding for Health Insurance Risk Pool Contingency

Overview

Appropriation of \$2,331,390 in General Revenue-Dedicated Fund 36 and \$41,052,524 in Premium Stabilization Fund 329 for administration of a temporary health insurance risk pool, contingent on passage of SB 874 or similar legislation.

Required Action

On page VIII-22 of the Department of Insurance bill pattern, amend and add the following rider:

19. Contingency Appropriation: Health Insurance Risk Pool.

- a. Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 874, or similar legislation relating to the administration of a temporary health insurance risk pool, by the Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy G.1.1, Contingency Health Insurance Risk Pool, is ~~\$841,602~~ \$1,103,805 in fiscal year 2022 and ~~\$933,354~~ \$1,227,585 in fiscal year 2023 in General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Department of Insurance Operating Fund 36; and \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$29,052,524 in fiscal year 2023 in Premium Stabilization Fund 329 to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, included in the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” above is 10.5 FTEs in fiscal year 2022 and 12.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2023.

- b. None of the funds appropriated above in Strategy G.1.1, Contingency Health Insurance Risk Pool, may be expended and none of the 10.5 Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE) in fiscal year 2022 and 12.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2023 included above in the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” may be used by the Department of Insurance (TDI) unless the Commissioner of Insurance files a finding of fact with the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and neither the Governor nor the LBB issues a written disapproval not later than:

(1) the 10th day after the date the staff of the LBB concludes its review of the findings of fact and forwards those findings of fact along with the conclusions or comments of the LBB staff to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor; and

- (2) within 10 business days of the receipt of the finding of fact by the Governor.

Any requests for additional information made by the LBB shall suspend the counting of the 10 business days.

- c. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2022 in appropriations in Strategy G.1.1, Contingency Health Insurance Risk Pool, made to TDI are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2022.

Department of Licensing and Regulation, Article VIII
Proposed Rider
Contingency for House Bill 2106

Prepared by LBB Staff, March 12, 2021

Overview

Prepare a rider which appropriates \$2,657,211 from General Revenue for the purposes of implementing the provisions of House Bill 2106, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

On page VIII-32 of the bill pattern for the Department of Licensing and Regulation, add the following new rider:

- _____. **Contingency for House Bill 2106.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2106 or similar legislation relating to the prevention, identification, investigation, and enforcement of payment card fraud, by the Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation is appropriated \$1,542,896 for fiscal year 2022 and \$1,114,315 for fiscal year 2023 from General Revenue to implement the provisions of the legislation.