

Rider Comparison Packet

Conference Committee on House Bill 1

2024-25 General Appropriations Bill

Article VII – Business and Economic Development

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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18. Unexpended Balances: Manufactured Housing. Any unexpended and unobligated balances of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2023, for Strategies E.1.1, Titling and Licensing, E.1.2, Inspections, and E.1.3, Enforcement, are appropriated to the department for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023. In addition, any unexpended and unobligated balances of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2024, are appropriated to the department for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024.

19. Transitional Housing Pilot Program Funding. From general revenue funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Poverty-Related Funds, the Department of Housing and Community Affairs shall designate \$400,000 in each fiscal year of the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2025, for the purpose of operating in four areas of the state a transitional housing pilot program that addresses the needs of homeless veterans through the collaboration by the department with peer-to-peer veteran support groups that offer interim housing, physical and mental health services, literacy training, job training, family counseling, credit counseling, education services, and other services designed to prevent homelessness.

20. Veterans Housing Assistance. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Housing and Community Affairs to the extent allowed by state and federal program guidelines adopt an annual goal to apply no less than \$15,000,000 of the funds from the Housing Trust Fund, HOME Program, Section 8 Program, and Housing Tax-Credit Program and any other state or federal housing program toward housing assistance for disabled or at-risk veterans and their families. The department shall provide an annual report to the Legislative Budget Board documenting its expenditures.

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- 16. Lottery Sales by Phone.** It is the intent of the Legislature, pursuant to Government Code, Section 466.015, the Executive Director of the Texas Lottery Commission shall not allow the order, purchase, or sale of lottery tickets by telephone including facilitating the sale of tickets via an application on a phone.

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11. Camp Hubbard Renewal Project.

- (a) In accordance with Government Code Chapters 1232, the Texas Public Finance Authority is authorized to issue revenue bonds or other obligations on behalf of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$143,000,000 for the purpose of implementing the Camp Hubbard Renewal Project, to include site work and demolition of existing buildings, construction of a new office building, renovations to existing buildings, upgrades to the Central Utility Plant, and other work as may be needed to fully implement the project. Included in the amounts appropriated to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles in Strategy C.1.3, Other Support Services, is \$143,000,000 in Revenue Bond Proceeds for fiscal year 2024 for the construction of facilities pursuant to Government Code, Section 2166.003(a)(12), and Transportation Code, Section 1001.201. In addition to the appropriation of revenue bond proceeds, the Department of Motor Vehicles is appropriated out of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Fund No. 010 such additional amounts as may be necessary to fully implement the project, including Costs of Issuance associated with issuing the bonds. Any unexpended balances of these appropriations made above in Strategy C.1.3, Other Support Services, remaining as of August 31, 2024, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024.
- (b) Included in amounts appropriated above out of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Fund No. 010 in Strategy C.1.3, Other Support Services, \$11,495,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$12,862,000 in fiscal year 2025 are for the purpose of making lease payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority for debt service payments on the revenue bonds or other obligations issued to implement the Camp Hubbard Renewal Project.

- 12. **Regional Service Centers Long-range Facilities Plan.** Using funds appropriated above, the Department of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the Texas Facilities Commission, shall produce a long-range facilities plan for the department's regional service centers, covering a time period of not less than ten years, that evaluates the cost effectiveness of buying, building, or leasing facilities for the purposes of relocating or expanding regional service centers to meet future regional customer service needs. Not later than December 1, 2024, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board a report summarizing the long-range facilities plan, its underlying analysis, and any findings and recommendations resulting from the development of the plan.

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14. Reporting Requirements.

- a. **Trade Transportation Activities.** The Department of Transportation shall provide a report to the department's border district legislators and to the respective metropolitan planning organizations on the department's trade transportation activities in such border districts during the 2024-25 biennium. The department shall report annually no later than January 1, each year of the biennium. The report shall also be provided to the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board.
- b. **Cash Forecast.** In addition to other information that might be requested by the Legislative Budget Board, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, a monthly cash forecast report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor on state and federal funds received in State Highway Fund No. 006 as specified by the Legislative Budget Board. At any time, if the department becomes aware of any variances to estimated amounts appropriated above out of state and federal funds received in State Highway Fund No. 006, the department shall immediately notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor in writing specifying the affected funds and the reason for the anticipated change. The monthly cash forecast report shall include detailed explanations of the causes and effects of current and anticipated fluctuations in the cash balance.
- c. **Project Status Report.** The Department of Transportation shall provide to each member of the House and Senate, unless a member requests it not be provided, a status report on all highway construction projects, airport projects, rail projects, toll road projects, turnpike projects, toll authorities, regional mobility authorities, and toll road conversion projects by legislative district, currently under contract or awaiting funding. The report shall include projects that would be funded fully or in part by state, federal, or toll funds. The report shall be filed prior to January 1, each fiscal year. In addition, 90 days prior to any loan being approved by the Transportation Commission for any toll project, all members of the district within which the project is located shall be notified on the status of the project and how other projects in any district would be affected. Additionally, 30 days prior to any loan being approved by the Transportation Commission for a non-tolled transportation project, all members of the district within which the project is located shall be notified on the status of the project and how other projects in any district would be affected.

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d. Toll Project, Rail Project, and Toll Project Entities.

The Department of Transportation shall provide, unless a member requests it not be provided, notification of:

- (1) all rail projects, toll road projects, and turnpike projects included in the draft Unified Transportation Program located within each member of the House and Senate's district no later than 10 days after being identified and at least 2 business days prior to public release of the draft Unified Transportation Program;
- (2) the receipt of an application requesting approval to create a regional mobility authority or regional tollway authority located within each member of the House and Senate's district no later than 10 days after receipt of an application and of the Transportation Commission's consideration of an application no later than 10 days prior to commission action;
- (3) any toll authority or regional mobility authority board member who discloses to the department that the board member owns or participates in any holding included in a proposed project immediately after the department receives that information; and
- (4) the receipt of written notification for a proposed passenger rail or toll road project within each member of the House and Senate's district, whether or not it involves any state or federal funding no later than 10 days after receipt.

- e. **Public Transportation Activities.** The Department of Transportation shall develop and submit an annual report to the Legislature no later than March 15, each fiscal year on public transportation activities in Texas. The report shall at a minimum include monthly data on industry utilized standards which best reflect: ridership, mileage, revenue by source, and service effectiveness, such as passengers per revenue mile. In order to meet the mandates of Chapter 461, Transportation Code, relating to the coordination of public transportation and to implement the legislative intent of Transportation Code, Section 461.001, the Department of Transportation is directed to engage the services of the Texas A&M Transportation Institute, or any entity that the Department of Transportation deems appropriate, to maintain an inventory of all public transportation providers in the state to determine the types and levels of services being provided by each of them and the extent to which those providers can assist

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- f. **Electronic Format.** All reports to the Legislature outlined in this Rider and elsewhere in this Act relating to Toll Road Projects must be delivered to the Legislature in electronic formats and, if requested, in paper format.
- g. **Federal Funds Reporting Requirement.**
- (1) The Department of Transportation shall provide to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor:
- (A) written notification of any increases or decreases in the amounts of federal funds estimated to be available to the Department of Transportation for the 2024-25 biennium within 10 business days of the date upon which the Department of Transportation is notified of such increases or decreases; and
- (B) written notification outlining:
- i. the use and projected impacts of any additional federal funds available to the Department of Transportation above amounts estimated for the 2024-25 biennium; and/or
- ii. the Department of Transportation's plan for addressing any reductions in federal funds, including federally-mandated funding rescissions.
- (2) The Department of Transportation shall provide to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor any documentation required by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration regarding the Department of Transportation's proposed use of additional federal funds and/or proposed actions to address federal funds reductions, including federally-mandated funding rescissions, as soon as possible prior to submitting the required documentation to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration.
- (3) Using funds appropriated above to the Department of Transportation, the department shall annually submit to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and each member of the legislature a report regarding the use of funds received from the federal government for

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- h. **Toll Project Revenue and Funds Report.** Using funds appropriated above, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, an annual report of all state toll project revenues received and

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transportation projects. The report shall provide an accounting of all federal funds received for transportation projects during the preceding year and identify the amount of federal funds used for transportation projects during that year, disaggregated by transportation project. The report must identify each transportation project included in the report as a new construction project, an existing construction project, or a maintenance project.

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- i. **Appropriations from State Highway Fund No. 006.** Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the department shall provide the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor with a detailed plan for the use of appropriations from State Highway Fund No. 006 which includes, but is not limited to:
- (1) each construction project's enhancement of the state's economy, traffic safety, and connectivity;
 - (2) a detailed account of the level of traffic congestion reduced by each proposed project, in districts that contain one of the 50 most congested roads; and
 - (3) a district by district analysis of pavement score targets and how proposed maintenance spending will impact pavement scores in each district.
- j. **Congested Road Segments.** Out of funds appropriated above, the department shall expend necessary funds to prominently post, no later than November 1, the top 100 congested road segments on its website and:
- (1) the annual hours of travel delays and the economic value of the delays for each segment;
 - (2) a congestion mitigation plan drafted in coordination with the local Metropolitan

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 - (2) a congestion mitigation plan drafted in coordination with the local Metropolitan Planning Organization which shall include, when appropriate, alternatives to highway construction; and
 - (3) at least a quarterly update of the current status in completing the mitigation plan for each road segment.
- k. **Pass-through Tolling Agreements.** The Department of Transportation shall submit an annual report to the Legislative Budget Board no later than November 1 of each fiscal year, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, providing information on all existing pass-through tolling or pass-through financing agreements of the department.

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l. **Project Tracker.** All reports to the Legislature outlined in this rider may be satisfied by Project Tracker on the Department of Transportation's website to the extent possible.

18. Additional Funds.

a. Except during an emergency as defined by the Governor, no appropriation of additional State Highway Funds above the estimated appropriation amounts identified above in the Method of Financing for the Department of Transportation as State Highway Fund No. 006, State Highway Fund No. 006 - Toll Revenue, State Highway Fund No. 006 - Concession Fees, State Highway Fund No. 006 - Proposition 1, 2014, or State Highway Fund No. 006 - Proposition 7, 2015, may be expended by the Department of Transportation unless the Department of Transportation submits a report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor outlining any additional funds available above amounts estimated for the 2024-25 biennium, their proposed uses and projected impacts. The Department of Transportation's proposal for the use of additional State Highway Funds shall be considered approved if not disapproved by the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor before:

(1) the 30th business day after the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the report and forwards the review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor; and

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(1) the Department of Transportation submits a report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor outlining any additional funds available above amounts estimated for the 2024-25 biennium, their anticipated uses and projected impacts; and,

(2) the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor issue a written approval or specify an alternate use for the additional funds.

b. A request to expend additional funds pursuant to subsection (a) shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its

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- (2) the 30th business day after receipt of the report by the Governor.
- b. Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board regarding a request submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this rider shall be provided in a timely manner. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in subsection (a) of this rider, the Legislative Budget Board is authorized to suspend the approval of a proposal for the use of additional State Highway Funds at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the Department of Transportation.
- c. The limitation in subsection (a) of this rider does not apply to the expenditure of funds received from governmental entities for purposes of reimbursing State Highway Fund No. 006 for expenses incurred with transportation projects or the expenditure of funds received as reimbursements for authorized services that are otherwise appropriated by Section 8.02, Article IX, of this Act.

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- review of the request and forwards the review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board regarding a request submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this rider shall be provided in a timely manner. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this subsection, the Legislative Budget Board is authorized to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the Department of Transportation.
- c. The limitation in subsection (a) of this rider does not apply to the expenditure of funds received from governmental entities for purposes of reimbursing State Highway Fund No. 006 for expenses incurred with transportation projects or the expenditure of funds received as reimbursements for authorized services that are otherwise appropriated by Section 8.02, Article IX, of this Act.

47. Southern Gateway Deck Park. Out of amounts appropriated above, the Department of Transportation shall make available during the 2024-25 biennium \$10,000,000 in Federal Funds administered by the Department of Transportation for the Southern Gateway Deck Park Project if the project meets federal funding requirements. It is the intent of the Legislature that funds appropriated above would cover the Phase II Infrastructure of the Southern Gateway Deck Park Project. Any project expenditures using Federal Funds shall be approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration.

47. Texas Rail Relocation and Improvement Fund. In addition to any amount appropriated above, the amount of \$10,000,000 is appropriated to the Texas Rail Relocation and Improvement Fund No. 0306 for the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023.

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- 48. Outreach and Education Programs on Transportation Safety.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.1, Traffic Safety, the Department of Transportation shall allocate \$250,000 for each state fiscal year of the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2023, to award grants through local councils of government to administer outreach and education programs on transportation safety. The programs must target at-risk populations in urban areas. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2024, are allocated for the same purpose in the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024.
- 49. Discretionary Funds.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the Transportation Commission may allocate up to 10 percent from funds appropriated for the Unified Transportation Program as discretionary funds for use by the commission. In addition, the commission shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and each member of the House and Senate an annual report no later than November 1st each fiscal year detailing the amount and use of the discretionary funds.
- 50. Interstate Highway 20 Passenger Rail Corridor Project.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation, Goal A, Project Development and Delivery, the amount of \$10,000,000 out of State Highway Fund No. 006 is allocated during the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2025, for the purpose of matching grant funds for the Interstate Highway 20 Passenger Rail Corridor Project, contingent on the project being awarded a federal grant under the Federal Railroad Administration Federal State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program.

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48. Apprenticeship and Internship Opportunities for People with Disabilities. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategies B.1.2, Apprenticeship, and B.2.1, Vocational Rehabilitation, the Texas Workforce Commission shall conduct an inventory of all current apprenticeship and internship opportunities for people with disabilities. The inventory should include:

- (a) The number and type of apprenticeship opportunities currently available;
- (b) The number and type of intern opportunities currently available;
- (c) The length of program;
- (d) The age ranges of the participants;
- (e) Whether the employer is a public or private entity;
- (f) The geographic distribution of the programs;
- (g) How the programs are funded;
- (h) How the opportunities are publicized;
- (i) The number of individuals with disabilities that obtained full time employment as a result of the intern or apprentice program.

3. Appropriation: Federal Funds. All moneys granted to Texas by the federal government for the administration of the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act or which are now on deposit to the credit of any funds maintained by the Comptroller of Public Accounts for the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), and any moneys received for the credit of such funds are appropriated for the purposes authorized by the provisions of the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act and for the purposes for which such moneys were granted. TWC shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and Governor of any funds and associated staffing received above the amounts appropriated above for the biennium.

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The inventory shall be made available to the Rehabilitation Council of Texas and the Texas Legislature by October 1, 2024.

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The inventory shall be made available to the Rehabilitation Council of Texas and the Texas Legislature by October 1 of every even-numbered year.

51. Cross Agency Coordination on Apprenticeship and Work-Based Learning Funding. Out of funds appropriated above, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) shall work with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) to identify available funding sources that may be coordinated and streamlined to increase the availability and accessibility of apprenticeships and work-based learning programs.

(a) Available funding sources may include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act
- (2) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
- (3) Every Student Succeeds Act
- (4) Adult Education and Family Literacy Act
- (5) Registered Apprenticeship Expansion Grants
- (6) Skills Development Fund
- (7) Jobs and Education for Texans
- (8) Self-Sufficiency Fund

(b) TWC in coordination with TEA and THECB shall report the following to the Legislative Budget Board, Senate Finance Committee, House Appropriations Committee, and the Office of the Governor, and shall post the report on the Commission's website, no later than August 31, 2024:

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- (1) The number and types of apprenticeships and work-based learning programs available in Texas, including the numbers by which these programs increased compared to the previous fiscal year.
 - (2) The number and types of apprenticeships and work-based learning programs in Texas that are currently supported by more than one available funding source in the list established in (b)(3) of this section.
 - (3) A list of available funding sources identified that may support apprenticeships and work-based learning programs.
 - (4) agency and cross-agency grant-making policies and practices that may be amended to allow coordination of multiple available funding sources that support work-based learning programs, including:
 - (A) Streamlining separate accountability and reporting requirements across different grant programs and available funding sources to eliminate duplicative oversight for grant recipients.
 - (B) Awarding a combined grant that is funded by multiple available funding sources in accordance with state and federal requirements to minimize the number of different grant programs through which eligible applicants must apply.
 - (C) Using a common application process in accordance with state and federal requirements for grant awards that are funded by multiple available funding sources to simplify the process for applicants who are eligible and interested in applying for different grant programs.
 - (D) Recommendations that allow for further coordination of state and federal funding sources.
 - (5) The progress on implementation of agency and cross-agency grant-making policies and practices that lead to an increase in the number and availability of apprenticeship and work-based learning opportunities.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature TWC shall work with TEA and THECB to implement

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agency and cross-agency policies and practices identified in the report in subsection (b). For any policies and practices agencies are unable to implement, TWC shall include the rationales detailing the agency barriers, and recommendations to address those barriers, in the report required by subsection (b).

52. Additional Workforce Data Report. The Texas Workforce Commission shall submit a report to the Legislature and the Office of the Governor no later than September 1, 2024 on its progress to work with employers on enhanced reporting of employment and earnings data as part of routine wage filings required by the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. The report shall specify:

- (a) The types of employment and earnings data that will be enhanced;
- (b) The number of types of employers who have voluntarily provided enhanced employment and earnings data to the Commission; and
- (c) Recommendations to enhance reporting of employment and earnings data statewide, including information on any necessary information technology upgrades and associated costs.