

Issue Docket

Conference Committee on House Bill 1

2024-25 General Appropriations Bill

Article IX

ARTICLE IX - RIDER COMPARISON ISSUES

Item	House 2024-25	Senate 2024-25	Biennial Difference	Explanation
Technical Adjustment	IX-112	IX-115		In Sec. 17.18, Appropriation for a Salary Increase for General State Employees, make technical adjustments relating to the calculation of the 5.0 percent increase and prevent revenue increases at Texas A&M University System service agencies to offset salary increases.
Sec. 3.04. Scheduled Exempt Positions	IX-22 Rider Packet, page IX-1	IX-22 Rider Packet, page IX-1		House reclassifies Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Commissioners from Group 6 to Group 8. House adds Facilities Commission Executive Director to the (c)(6) list of exempt positions at Group 7.
Sec. 3.12. Exceptions for Salary Schedule C	IX-25 Rider Packet, page IX-5	IX-25 Rider Packet, page IX-5		House increases from \$1,800 to \$3,000 the amount that DPS may pay certain employees above the Schedule C annual salary maximum.
Sec. 7.10. Border Security	IX-40 Rider Packet, page IX-7	IX-40 Rider Packet, page IX-7		Informational listing shows that House increases Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council appropriations from \$33.5 million to \$53.5 million. Reflects decisions made in other articles.
Sec. 9.04. Information Technology Replacement		IX-51 Rider Packet, page IX-10		House deletes the section.
Sec. 10.04. Statewide Behavioral Health Strategic Plan and Coordinated Expenditures	IX-55 Rider Packet, page IX-12	IX-56 Rider Packet, page IX-12		Informational listing reflects differing House and Senate appropriations made in other articles.
Sec. 10.07. Informational Listing - Mental Health Funding for Continued Transformation	IX-60 Rider Packet, page IX-17	IX-60 Rider Packet, page IX-17		Informational listing reflects differing House and Senate appropriations made in other articles.

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Sec. 17.11. Human Trafficking Prevention Coordinating Council	IX-86 Rider Packet, page IX-26	IX-89 Rider Packet, page IX-26		<p>House requires the five-year Strategic Plan for Preventing Human Trafficking to cover the time period 2024-2028 and requires the first report to be delivered to the Legislature by December 1, 2024, with an annual progress report to be filed each subsequent year on December 1.</p> <p>Senate requires the five-year Strategic Plan for Preventing Human Trafficking to cover the time period 2025-2029 and requires the plan and a progress report to be filed with the Legislature December 1 of each even-numbered year.</p>
Sec. 17.17. Supplemental Appropriations Bill	IX-111 Rider Packet, page IX-28	IX-114 Rider Packet, page IX-28		House reflects an appropriation of \$1.6 billion to TEA for school safety. Senate reflects an appropriation of \$600.0 million to TEA for school safety.
Sec. 17.19. Project Baby Dillo Critically Ill Newborn Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) Demonstration	IX-113 Rider Packet, page IX-29			House includes an informational rider relating to a \$4.0 million appropriation to HHSC for a demonstration project related to Whole Genome Sequencing for low-income neonatal and pediatric intensive care patients and requiring a report.
Sec. 17.20. Proportional Reduction of General Revenue Appropriations.	IX-114 Rider Packet, page IX-30			House includes a rider reducing all appropriations proportionally by \$40.0 million each fiscal year and increasing appropriations by a like amount to HHSC for Alternatives to Abortion.
Sec. 18.01. Contingency for Texas University Fund	IX-115 Rider Packet, page IX-31			House includes rider appropriating \$3.5 billion in General Revenue to be deposited to the Texas University Fund, contingent on legislation creating the fund.

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Sec. 18.02 (House)/Sec. 18.01 (Senate). American Rescue Plan Act Appropriations	IX-115 Rider Packet, page IX-31	IX-117 Rider Packet, page IX-31		<p>House includes rider appropriating to TDCJ all unobligated fund balances from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund, estimated to be \$5.4 billion, for salaries and other expenditures in fiscal year 2025 and reduces TDCJ's General Revenue appropriations by a like amount.</p> <p>Senates includes rider appropriating to TDCJ all unobligated fund balances from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund, including FEMA reimbursements for the expenditure of American Rescue Plan Act funds, estimated to be \$4.0 billion, for salaries and other expenditures in fiscal year 2025 and reduces TDCJ's General Revenue appropriations by a like amount.</p>
Sec. 18.02. Contingency for Senate Bill 6		IX-117 Rider Packet, page IX-31		Senate includes rider transferring \$10.0 billion in General Revenue to be deposited to the Texas Energy Insurance Fund, contingent on legislation creating the fund and on voter approval.