

Conference Committee Issue Docket
Article II, Health and Human Services
Conferees: Senator Kolkhorst and Representative Orr

Decisions as of April 24, 2025 @ 8am

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	Outstanding Items for Consideration				Tentative Decisions	
Article II, Health and Human Services SB 1 Conference Committee Items for Consideration	Senate <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u>		House <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u>		Adopted <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u>	
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Department of Family and Protective Services (530)						
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions	\$ 101,890,083	\$ 138,297,534	\$ 26,256,010	\$ 27,094,783	\$ -	\$ -
Department of State Health Services (537)						
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions	\$ 42,889,731	\$ 42,889,731	\$ 105,412,761	\$ 118,110,693	\$ -	\$ -
Health and Human Services Commission (529)						
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions	\$ 1,435,747,870	\$ 3,083,283,481	\$ 2,109,596,825	\$ 4,698,846,953	\$ -	\$ -
Special Provisions Relating to All Health and Human Services Agencies (S02)						
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions	\$ 1,580,527,684	\$ 3,264,470,746	\$ 2,241,265,596	\$ 4,844,052,429	\$ -	\$ -

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Senate / House Committee Substitute Grand Total, Department of Family and Protective Services	\$ 3,321,936,710	\$ 4,944,393,574	\$ 3,246,302,637	\$ 4,833,190,823			
	FY 2026	FY2027	FY 2026	FY 2027			
Senate / House Total Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)	11,630.8	11,503.3	11,599.8	11,438.8			
Forecasted Programs:							
1. Update Day Care Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update. Adopted amounts will be reflected in Texas Workforce Commission Strategy A.3.3, Child Care For DFPS Families through an IAC.							
2. Update Adoption/Permanency Care Assistance Program Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.							
3. Update Foster Care Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.							
4. Update Relative Caregiver Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.							

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<u>Senate / House Differences in SB 1:</u>								
1.	Exceptional Item 2a, Single Source Continuum Contractor (SSCC) Network Support Payment Increase Senate provides \$9,440,041 in General Revenue Funds to increase the network support payment to \$2,300 per child FTE.	\$ 9,440,041	\$ 9,440,041	\$ 13,003,272	\$ 13,003,272			
	House provides \$13,003,272 in General Revenue Funds to increase the network support payment to \$2,500 per child FTE.							
2.	Exceptional Item 2c, DFPS Incentive Pay/Stay Pay for Community-based Care Retention House provides \$1,413,000 in All Funds (\$1,239,801 in General Revenue Funds and \$173,199 in Federal Funds) to provide a one-time retention bonus of \$1,800 to staff who commit to transition from State employment to the SSCCs. See corresponding Rider 39, Caseworker Incentive Pay, item 17.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,239,801	\$ 1,413,000			
3.	Exceptional Item 2d, Additional Resource Transfer and FTEs House provides \$2,698,316 in All Funds (\$2,495,593 in General Revenue Funds and \$202,723 in Federal Funds) to provide resource transfers to SSCCs for staff functions at DFPS that were not previously included in the methodology.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,495,593	\$ 2,698,316			
4.	Exceptional Item 3c, Sustain Texas Family First Pilot Senate provides \$16,162,774 in All Funds (\$15,000,000 in General Revenue Funds and \$1,162,774 in Federal Funds) and 6.0/6.0 FTEs to continue and expand the Family First pilot program due to the end of the Family First Transition Act federal grant.	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 16,162,774	\$ -	\$ -			

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5.	Exceptional Item 4a, Strengthen Behavioral Health Services House provides \$444,444 in All Funds (\$412,440 in General Revenue Funds and \$32,004 in Federal Funds) to continue and expand a contract with UT Health Sciences Center San Antonio for services related to residential treatment for children and youth.	\$-	\$-	\$412,440	\$444,444			
6.	Exceptional Item 4c, Intensive Peer Support Services for High Acuity Youth House provides \$2,650,000 in General Revenue Funds to procure services for paid professional support for an average of 73 high acuity youth in the five most populated counties.	\$-	\$-	\$2,650,000	\$2,650,000			
7.	Exceptional Item 5a, Address Targeted Salary Compression to Retain Staff and Provide Career Advancement Opportunities Senate provides \$22,539,391 in All Funds (\$20,000,000 in General Revenue Funds and \$2,539,391 in Federal Funds) to provide salary increases to address salary compression and career advancement.	\$20,000,000	\$22,539,391	\$-	\$-			
8.	Exceptional Item 6c, Enhance Records Management Operations House provides \$6,885,751 in All Funds (\$6,454,904 in General Revenue Funds and \$430,847 in Federal Funds) and 17.0/17.0 FTEs to provide staff to handle various record requests and digitalize remaining paper records.	\$-	\$-	\$6,454,904	\$6,885,751			

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9.	Exceptional Item 6i, Lease Payments Senate provides \$12,800,956 in All Funds (\$12,000,000 in General Revenue Funds and \$800,956 in Federal Funds) in one-time funding to replace the San Antonio Pickwell Office contingent upon the agency finding a new site. See corresponding Rider 40, Lease Site Replacement, item 19.	\$ 12,000,000	\$ 12,800,956	\$ -	\$ -			
10.	Exceptional Item 7a, Begin Implementation of New Case Management System Senate provides \$59,534,545 in All Funds (\$29,167,271 in General Revenue Funds and \$30,367,274 in Federal Funds and 8.0/39.5 FTEs to develop a new case management system.	\$ 29,167,271	\$ 59,534,545	\$ -	\$ -			
11.	Exceptional Item 7b, Continued Implementation of Interagency Background Check System (SEMARC) Senate provides \$13,277,598 in All Funds (\$12,462,734 in General Revenue and \$814,864 in Federal Funds) and 28.0/28.0 FTEs to continue the implementation of SEMARC.	\$ 12,462,734	\$ 13,277,598	\$ -	\$ -			

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12.	Exceptional Item 7d, Advancing Cybersecurity Protections and Technologies Senate provides \$11,542,229 in All Funds (\$10,820,037 in General Revenue Funds and \$722,192 in Federal Funds) and 6.0/8.0 FTEs to provide staff to address current cybersecurity threats and mitigate future risks. (House Bill 500 provides \$9,000,00 in All Funds (\$8,436,864 in General Revenue Funds and \$563,136 in Federal Funds) to address current cybersecurity threats and mitigate future risks.	\$10,820,037	\$11,542,229	\$-	\$-			
13.	Reallocate Funding for New Residential Treatment Facility Senate reallocates \$7,000,000 in General Revenue Funds to address costs associated with a new residential treatment facility at the Health and Human Services Commission.	\$(7,000,000)	\$(7,000,000)	\$-	\$-			
14.	Limitation on Transfers: CPS and APS Direct Delivery Staff House amends rider to allow DFPS to transfer FTEs and funding from B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, to Strategy A.1.1, Statewide Intake Services for process efficiency.	II-8, Rider #10 Rider Packet page II-I		II-8, Rider #10 Rider Packet page II-I				
15.	Limitations: Community-based Care Payments House amends rider to delete the independent evaluation throughout the rollout and implementation of CBC.	II-15, Rider #25 Rider Packet page II-2		II-15, Rider #25 Rider Packet page II-2				
16.	Kinship Family Support Senate requires a report on the utilization of funding provided for kinship family support in the three new CBC regions.	II-18, Rider #39 Rider Packet page II-3						

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17.	Caseworker Incentive Pay House provides authority for DFPS to grant the one-time incentive payments for staff transitioning from State employment to the SSCC.			II-18, Rider #39 Rider Packet page II-4				
18.	Comprehensive Quality Assurance Program House directs DFPS to establish a comprehensive quality assurance program and requires DFPS to publish the results quarterly.			II-18, Rider #40 Rider Packet page II-4				
19.	Lease Site Replacement Senate identifies the funding for the lease site replacement contingent upon DFPS securing a new office site.	II-18, Rider #40 Rider Packet page II-4						
20.	Kinship Funds Awareness Campaign House directs DFPS to allocate \$300,000 in General Revenue Funds in each fiscal year to establish and promote a statewide campaign on kinship care funds.			II-18, Rider #41 Rider Packet page II-4				
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						<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	
Total, Full-time Equivalents						0.0	0.0	

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Senate / House Committee Substitute Grand Total, Department of State Health Services	\$ 1,143,890,570	\$ 2,345,683,984	\$ 1,206,413,600	\$ 2,420,904,946			
	FY 2026	FY2027	FY 2026	FY 2027			
Senate / House Total Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)	3,432.2	3,432.2	3,498.2	3,504.2			
Senate / House Differences in SB 1:							
1. Exceptional Item 1 b, Seat Management Senate provides \$2,545,287 in General Revenue Funds to maintain devices, including warranty, lease, and software costs for approximately 3,500 desktops, laptops, and tablets.	\$ 2,545,287	\$ 2,545,287	\$ -	\$ -			
House provides \$2,545,287 in General Revenue Funds in House Bill 500 to maintain devices, including warranty, lease, and software costs for approximately 3,500 desktops, laptops, and tablets.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
2. Exceptional Item 1 c, Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) Operations Senate provides \$1,212,087 million in General Revenue Funds to cover cost increases for medications, medical resources, food and utilities at TCID. See Item #30 below.	\$ 1,212,087	\$ 1,212,087	\$ 2,424,173	\$ 2,424,173			
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3.	Exceptional Item 2a, Regional Clinic Cost Increases and Space Planning, Senate provides \$3,654,138 million in General Revenue Funds to cover increasing lease costs across the state and for a facility assessment contractor to determine adequacy of approximately 100 field offices and to address maintenance needs at regional facilities.	\$3,654,138	\$3,654,138	\$9,135,344	\$9,135,344			
	House provides \$9,135,344 million in General Revenue Funds and 2.0/2.0 FTEs to cover increasing lease costs across the state and for a facility assessment contractor to determine adequacy of approximately 100 field offices and to address maintenance needs at regional facilities.	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-			
4.	Exceptional Item 2b, Regional Clinic Cost Increases and Space Planning - Information Technology (IT) House provides \$305,742 in General Revenue Funds for IT infrastructure support of any newly constructed location which may include cabling, fiber, network, wireless access points, telecom, and to assist with construction plan development and review to ensure adequate placement and IT requirements.	\$-	\$-	\$305,742	\$305,742			
5.	Exceptional Item 2d, Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) Deferred Maintenance, House provides \$6,585,000 million in General Revenue Funds for deferred maintenance needs at TCID including new water main lines, replacement of covered walkways with asbestos, and replacement of patient room control systems and locking systems. See Item #33 below.	\$-	\$-	\$6,585,000	\$6,585,000			

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6.	Exceptional Item 2e, Facility Cost Increases Senate provides \$1,770,332 in General Revenue Funds for increased lease facility renewal costs for state-owned facilities in Austin.	\$1,770,332	\$1,770,332	\$3,540,664	\$3,540,664			
	House provides \$3,540,664 in General Revenue Funds for increased lease facility renewal costs for state-owned facilities in Austin.	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-			
7.	Exceptional Item 4a, Improve Child Mortality and Morbidity due to Congenital Syphilis Senate provides \$1,919,412 in General Revenue Funds and 9.0/9.0 FTEs to improve child mortality and morbidity due to Congenital Syphilis by establishing rapid response regional nurse teams.	\$1,919,412	\$1,919,412	\$11,413,789	\$11,413,789			
	House provides \$11,413,789 in General Revenue Funds and 24.0/24.0 FTEs to improve child mortality and morbidity due to Congenital Syphilis by increasing provider education, developing a hotline, establishing rapid response regional nurse teams, and creating a public awareness campaign.	\$-		\$-				
8.	Exceptional Item 4b, Improve Child Mortality and Morbidity due to Congenital Syphilis - Information Technology (IT) House provides \$1,849,736 and 1.0/1.0 FTE for IT services related to combating Congenital Syphilis including hotline and database services.	\$-	\$-	\$1,849,736	\$1,849,736			

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9.	Exceptional Item 5a, Sexually Transmitted Disease House provides \$27,704,576 in All Funds (\$15,006,644 in General Revenue and \$12,697,932 in Federal Funds) and 44.0/44.0 FTEs to maintain Disease Intervention Services staff primarily housed in local health departments and DSHS regional offices.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,006,644	\$ 27,704,576			
10.	Exceptional Item 5b, Tuberculosis (TB) Senate provides 10,595,953 in General Revenue to support a 30 percent increase in local health department contracts to provide TB care and to cover increased costs of medications and 8.0/8.0 FTEs to provide nurse consultation and direct care services.	\$ 10,595,953	\$ 10,595,953	\$ -	\$ -			
11.	Exceptional Item 5e, Immunizations House provides \$11,992,656 in General Revenue and 8.0/8.0 FTEs for one public health nurse in each DSHS region for vaccine education and administration and for a 30 percent increase in local health department contracts to support immunization administration in communities.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,992,656	\$ 11,992,656			
12.	Exceptional Item 6a, Texas Meat Industry House provides \$5,324,703 in General Revenue and 4.0/10.0 FTEs to bring 146 meat safety staff salaries comparable to federal employees and to increase the number of employees available to provide guidance, assistance, and inspections services.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,324,703	\$ 5,324,703			
13.	Exceptional Item 6b, Manufactured and Retail Food Industry House provides \$5,459,422 in General Revenue to bring 177 food safety program staff salaries comparable to federal employees to increase employee retention and prevent further increases to inspection frequencies.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,459,422	\$ 5,459,422			

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14.	Exceptional Item 6c, Licensed Radioactive Material and Device Use House provides \$2,220,082 in General Revenue to bring 98 radiation control program staff salaries comparable to federal employees to increase employee retention.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,220,082	\$ 2,220,082			
15.	Exceptional Item 8a, Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Senate provides \$1,321,644 in General Revenue to link existing Maternal Child Health data systems and the State Health Analytics Reporting Platform (SHARP), a modern data platform solution that brings DSHS data from various program areas into a common repository.	\$ 1,321,644	\$ 1,321,644	\$ -	\$ -			
	House provides \$1,321,644 in General Revenue in House Bill 500 to link existing Maternal Child Health data systems and the State Health Analytics Reporting Platform (SHARP), a modern data platform solution that brings DSHS data from various program areas into a common repository	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
16.	Exceptional Item 8b, Maternal Mortality and Morbidity - Information Technology (IT) Senate provides \$4,313,876 in General Revenue for IT to link existing Maternal Child Health data systems and the State Health Analytics Reporting Platform (SHARP).	\$ 4,313,876	\$ 4,313,876	\$ -	\$ -			
	House provides \$8,627,752 in General Revenue in House Bill 500 for IT to link existing Maternal Child Health data systems and the State Health Analytics Reporting Platform (SHARP).	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			

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17.	Exceptional Item 8c, Birth Defects Registry Surveillance Capacity Senate provides \$1,557,002 in General Revenue funds and 8.0/8.0 FTEs for faster case identification and improvement of birth defects registry data review of hospital medical records for potential birth defect cases and to abstract complex medical information.	\$1,557,002	\$1,557,002	\$-	\$-			
18.	Sickle Cell Guidelines for Public Schools House provides \$2,000,000 in General Revenue funds for the Sickle Cell Task Force to develop guidelines for public schools regarding the administration of health care services to students with sickle cell disease. See Item #35 below.	\$-		\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000			
19.	Expanding Texas AIM Program and Similar Maternal Safety Initiatives House provides \$3,500,000 in General Revenue funds and 8.0/8.0 FTEs to expand the Texas AIM Program and similar maternal safety initiatives. See Item #25 below.	\$-	\$-	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000			

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20.	Emergency Medical Task Force House provides \$3,000,000 in General Revenue funds for the Emergency Medical Task Force including \$2,000,000 for ongoing programs, exercises and readings; \$500,000 for management of the EMTF program; and \$500,000 for the replacement of critical emergency medical response equipment statewide. See Item #26 below.	\$-	\$-	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000			
21.	HIV Vendor Drug Rebate Funding Loss Replacement House provides \$4,600,000 in General Revenue funds to replace funding from the loss of HIV Vendor Drug Rebates. See Item #36 below.	\$-		\$4,600,000	\$4,600,000			
22.	HIV Long-acting Injectable Treatment House provides \$15,400,000 in General Revenue funds to purchase HIV long-acting injectable treatment to be included in the Texas HIV Medication Program formulary. See Item #27 below.			\$15,400,000	\$15,400,000			

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23.	Spay and Neuter Pilot Program - Public Health Focus Senate provides \$13,000,000 in General Revenue to implement a pilot program focused on protecting human health by reducing the population of cats and dogs at risk for unplanned breeding that may carry infectious diseases. See Item #28 below.	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$ 1,654,806	\$ 1,654,806			
	House provides \$1,654,806 in General Revenue to implement a pilot program focused on protecting human health by reducing the population of cats and dogs at risk for unplanned breeding that may carry infectious diseases. See Item #29 below.							
24	Future Healthcare Workforce Apprenticeship Support Senate provides \$1,000,000 in General Revenue to provide grants to hospitals to develop and implement on-site healthcare workforce apprenticeship programs. See Item #34 below.	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000					
25	Maternal Mortality and Morbidity House allocates \$3,500,000 in General Revenue and 8.0/8.0 FTEs to expand maternal mortality and morbidity initiatives by expanding the Texas AIM program and other maternal safety initiatives.	II-28, Rider #19 Rider Packet page II-6		II-28, Rider #19 Rider Packet page II-6				

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26	Emergency Medical Task Force House allocates \$3,000,000 in General Revenue for the Emergency Medical Task Force including \$2,000,000 for ongoing programs, exercises, and readiness; \$500,000 for management, and \$500,000 for replacement of emergency medical equipment.	II-29, Rider #23 Rider Packet page 11-6	II-29, Rider #23 Rider Packet page 11-6		
27	HIV Long-acting Injectable Treatment Senate add rider directing the agency to utilize existing or future federal funding to purchase Cabenuva or any other similar HIV long-acting treatment medication for Texas HIV Medication Program participants and inclusion in the formulary. House allocates \$15,400,000 in General Revenue to purchase HIV long-acting injectable treatment for Texas HIV Medication Program participants and inclusion in the formulary.	II-30, Rider #31 Rider Packet page II-7	II-30, Rider #31 Rider Packet page II-7		
28	Spay and Neuter Pilot Program - Public Health Focus Senate directs \$13,000,000 in General Revenue to implement a pilot program focused on protecting human health by reducing the population of cats and dogs at risk for unplanned breeding that may carry infectious diseases.	II-30, Rider #32 Rider Packet page II-8			

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29	Spay and Neuter Pilot Program - Public Health Focus House directs \$4,000,000 in General Revenue to implement a pilot program focused on protecting human health by reducing the population of cats and dogs at risk for unplanned breeding that may carry infectious diseases. Note: Technical adjustment needed to adjust rider to align with legislative intent in House to match amount in Item#23, Spay and Neuter Pilot Program - Public Health Focus.			II-30, Rider #32 Rider Packet page II-8					
30	Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) Reimbursements Senate encourages reimbursements for services rendered at TCID and provide a report to detail how funding is utilized once reimbursements occur.	II-31, Rider #33 Rider Packet page II-9							
31	Unexpended Balances: Emergency Medical Services Extraordinary Emergencies Allocation House authorizes UB authority within and across the biennium for funds in the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) extraordinary emergencies reserve within General Revenue - Dedicated Account No. 5111, Designated Trauma Facilities and EMS. This rider would include a one-time UB from previous years that may have lapsed.			II-31, Rider #33 Rider Packet page II-9					
32	Unexpended Balance (UB) Authority House authorizes UB authority from the first year of the biennium to the second year of the biennium across all agency funding.			II-31, Rider #34 Rider Packet page II-10					

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33	Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) Deferred Maintenance Senate directs the Department of State Health Services to utilize any available federal funding, including but not limited to COVID-19 federal funding, for TCID Deferred Maintenance needs	II-31, Rider #34 Rider Packet page II-10			
34	Future Healthcare Workforce Apprenticeship Support Senate directs \$1,000,000 in General Revenue to provide grants to hospitals to develop and implement on-site healthcare workforce apprenticeship programs.	II-31, Rider #36 Rider Packet page II-10			
35	Sickle Cell Guidelines for Public Schools House allocates General Revenue funding for the Sickle Cell Task Force to develop guidelines for public schools regarding administration of health care services to students with sickle cell disease.		II-31, Rider #36 Rider Packet page II-11		
36	HIV Vendor Drug Rebate Funding Loss Replacement House allocates \$4,600,000 in General Revenue to replace funding from the loss of HIV Vendor Drug Rebates.		II-32, Rider #37 Rider Packet page II-11		
37	Paternity Registry Update Senate directs DSHS to allocate \$200,000 in All Funds for system upgrades to the Texas Paternity Registry to allow for electronic search requests and processing.	II-33, Rider #37 Rider Packet page II-12			
38	Cost Analysis of Measles Outbreak House requires agency to study and assesses the direct and indirect economic costs incurred by the agency and local public health organizations in responding to measles outbreaks in 2025.		II-32, Rider #38 Rider Packet page II-12		

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39	Strategic National Stockpile for Health Emergency Preparedness and Response House authorizes preparation and submission of an application for a grant award to establish, expand, or maintain a stockpile of appropriate medicines, medical devise, protective equipment, and other supplies to respond to disasters.			II-32, Rider #39 Rider Packet page II-12				
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions		\$ 42,889,731	\$ 42,889,731	\$ 105,412,761	\$ 118,110,693	\$ -	\$ -	
						<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	
Total, Full-time Equivalents						0.0	0.0	

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Senate / House Committee Substitute Grand Total, Health and Human Services Commission	\$38,913,550,492	\$94,223,500,223	\$39,587,399,447	\$95,839,063,695			
	FY 2026	FY2027	FY 2026	FY 2027			
Senate / House Total Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)	40,850.4	42,184.7	40,516.4	41,851.2			
Technical Adjustment:							
1. Senate: Increase capital budget authority for the Medicaid Management Information System by \$7,278 in fiscal year 2026 related to Senate Rider 136, Provider Enrollment and Management System. Note: Both chambers provided the same level of funding for enhancements to the system. This adjustment would align capital budget authority for the project with House.							
2. Senate & House: Add a rider stating legislative intent that references to old law amended by House Bill 4611, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, is considered a reference to the new law as of April 1, 2025.							
Forecasted Programs:							
1. Update Medicaid Client Services Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.							
2. Update Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.							
3. Update Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Forecast , see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.							

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4. Update Home and Community-Based Services - Adult Mental Health (HCBS-AMH) Forecast, see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.								
5. Update Youth Empowerment Services (YES) Waiver Forecast, see Article II 2026-27 Conference Forecast Update.								
Senate / House Differences in SB 1:								
1.	Base Wage Increase for Personal Attendant Services	\$ 747,127,853	\$ 1,893,881,586	\$ 1,626,231,118	\$ 4,101,675,618			
	Senate provides \$1,893,881,586 in All Funds (\$747,127,853 in General Revenue Funds and \$1,146,753,733 in Federal Funds) to increase the base wage for personal attendant services to \$12.44 per hour, increase the associated payroll, taxes, and benefits (PTB) percentage to 14 percent, and increase the associated administrative rate by \$0.24 per hour.							
	House provides \$4,101,675,618 in All Funds (\$1,626,231,118 in General Revenue Funds and \$2,475,444,500 in Federal Funds) to increase the base wage to \$14.00 per hour, further increase the base wage to \$17.50 per hour for attendants in the Home and Community-based Services waiver, the Texas Home Living waiver, and intermediate care facilities, increase the PTB percentage to 14 percent, and increase the administrative rate by \$0.48 per hour.							
	Note: Amounts for both chambers assume the discontinuation of the Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement (ACRE)							

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2.	Exceptional Item 7b, Medically Dependent Children Program (MDCP) Interest List Diversion Slots	\$ 2,916,586	\$ 7,128,313	\$ 5,833,172	\$ 14,256,626			
	Senate provides \$7,128,313 in All Funds (\$2,916,586 in General Revenue Funds and \$4,211,727 in Federal Funds) and 0.0/0.5 FTEs to support diversion slots for certain children to bypass the MDCP interest list without being required to enter a nursing facility. Funding and FTEs would support 60 end-of-year slots in fiscal year 2027 and 120 end-of-year slots in fiscal year 2028.							
	House provides \$14,256,626 in All Funds (\$5,833,172 in General Revenue Funds and \$8,423,454 in Federal Funds) and 0.0/1.0 FTEs for the same purpose. Funding and FTEs would support 120 end-of-year slots in fiscal year 2027 and 240 end-of-year slots in fiscal year 2028.							
3.	Reduction in Medicaid Client Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (70,000,000)	\$ (70,000,000)			
	House reduces Medicaid Client Services by \$70,000,000 in General Revenue Funds related to an adopted floor amendment.							
4.	Nursing Facilities - Dietary, Facility, and Administration	\$ 214,448,931	\$ 533,918,217	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$533,918,217 in All Funds (\$214,448,931 in General Revenue Funds and \$319,469,286 in Federal Funds) to increase the dietary subcomponent and the facility and operations subcomponent of the reimbursement rate for nursing facilities.							

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5.	Nursing Facilities - Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD)	\$ 1,060,535	\$ 2,651,337	\$ 1,590,802	\$ 3,977,006			
	Senate provides \$2,651,337 in All Funds (\$1,060,535 in General Revenue Funds and \$1,590,802 in Federal Funds) to revise the reimbursement methodology for an IDD nursing facility special reimbursement class to match that of the allowable Medicare equivalent.							
	House provides \$3,977,006 in All Funds (\$1,590,802 in General Revenue Funds and \$2,386,204 in Federal Funds) for the same purpose.							
6.	Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Services	\$ 12,496,612	\$ 31,112,754	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$31,112,754 in All Funds (\$12,496,612 in General Revenue Funds and \$18,616,142 in Federal Funds) to increase the reimbursement rate for ABA services.							
7.	Intensive Outpatient Services and Partial Hospitalization	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,167,387	\$ 15,365,563			
	House provides \$15,365,563 in All Funds (\$6,167,387 in General Revenue Funds and \$9,198,176 in Federal Funds) to include intensive outpatient and partial hospitalization services as a Medicaid behavioral health services benefit.							

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8.	Rural Hospital Payments	\$ 25,306,663	\$ 63,006,703	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$63,006,703 in All Funds (\$25,306,663 in General Revenue Funds and \$37,700,040 in Federal Funds) for additional funding for rural hospital essential access grants.							
	Note: House Bill 18 requires HHSC to implement an add-on payment for rural hospitals that have a department of obstetrics and gynecology; the bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.							
9.	Rural Hospital Grant Program							
	Senate provides \$25,000,000 in General Revenue to increase rural hospital grant award amounts.	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000	\$ -	\$ -			
	Note: House Bill 18 codifies the Rural Hospital Grant program; the bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.							
10.	Exceptional Item 2e, License Costs for Forecasting and Rate Setting	\$ 2,856,755	\$ 5,382,818	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$5,382,818 in All Funds (\$2,856,755 in General Revenue Funds and \$2,526,063 in Federal Funds) to support the purchase of software licenses and servers.							
	House provides \$1,500,000 in All Funds (\$744,364 in General Revenue Funds and \$755,636 in Federal Funds) in the supplemental bill for the same purpose.							

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11.	Exceptional Item 3a, Additional Staff Resources	\$10,050,089	\$12,924,638	\$20,100,155	\$25,849,240			
	Senate provides \$12,924,638 in All Funds (\$10,050,089 in General Revenue and \$2,874,549 in Federal Funds) and 36.0/36.0 FTEs for additional staff to address a variety of workload and divisional needs.							
	House provides \$25,849,240 in All Funds (\$20,100,155 in General Revenue and \$5,749,085 in Federal Funds) and 72.0/72.0 FTEs for the same purpose.							
12.	Exceptional Item 3b, Additional Staff Resources in the	\$6,868,040	\$9,529,995	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$9,529,995 in All Funds (\$6,868,040 in General Revenue and \$2,661,955 in Federal Funds) and 29.0/29.0 FTEs for additional staff resources for the HHSC IT division.							
13.	Exceptional Item 3c, Contract Management Oversight & Support	\$2,918,827	\$3,621,874	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$3,621,874 in All Funds (\$2,918,827 in General Revenue and \$703,047 in Federal Funds) and 10.0/10.0 FTEs for additional staff resources for contract management oversight and support.							
14.	Exceptional Item 3d, Support for Intellectual and Developmental Disability Habilitative Specialized Services (IDD-IHSS)	\$925,936	\$3,703,746	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$3,703,746 in All Funds (\$925,936 in General Revenue Funds and \$2,777,810 in Federal Funds) and 15.0/15.0 FTEs to fulfill policy, programmatic, contractual, and monitoring requirements related to IDD-IHSS.							

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15.	Exceptional Item 5a, State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) Attorneys	\$1,638,924	\$1,655,402	\$6,555,689	\$6,621,597			
	Senate provides \$1,655,402 in All Funds (\$1,638,924 in General Revenue and \$16,478 in Federal Funds) and 5.2/5.2 FTEs to provide additional resources related to SOAH hearings.							
	House provides \$6,621,597 in All Funds (\$6,555,689 in General Revenue and \$65,908 in Federal Funds) and 21.0/21.0 FTEs for the same purpose.							
16.	Exceptional Item 5b, SB 24, 88R	\$3,681,331	\$4,236,002	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$4,236,002 in All Funds (\$3,681,331 in General Revenue and \$554,671 in Federal Funds) and 13.0/13.0 FTEs to restore contingency funding from the Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, associated with the implementation of Senate Bill 24 (88R).							
17.	Exceptional Item 5c, Increase Mental Health Bed Capacity	\$78,761,524	\$78,761,524	\$99,684,872	\$99,684,872			
	Senate provides \$78,761,524 in General Revenue to increase the bed-day rate for the John S. Dunn Center by 10 percent, increase the bed-day rate for other existing contracted beds by 5 percent, and fund operation of certain new contracted beds coming online.							

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	House provides \$99,684,872 in General Revenue for different bed-day rates than Senate for contracted inpatient capacity at the same facilities.							
	Note: Senate and House both include \$7,500,000 in additional General Revenue for operations at the Uvalde Behavioral Health Campus that is included in the biennial total.							
	Note: Partially impacted by Exceptional Item 9c, Restore Funding for Inflationary Costs.							
18.	Exceptional Item 6b, Address Backlog: ANE (Home and Community-based Services (HCS) Waiver)	\$4,432,156	\$4,505,751	\$-	\$-			
	House and Senate both provide \$9,473,976 in All Funds (\$9,016,786 in General Revenue and \$457,190 in Federal Funds) and 39.9/39.9 FTEs to support the current regulatory workload of HCS waiver and address backlogs of abuse, neglect, and exploitation intake investigations, and program provider surveys.							
	Senate provides an additional, one-time appropriation of \$4,505,751 in All Funds (\$4,432,156 in General Revenue and \$73,595 in Federal Funds) and 21.0/21.0 FTEs to eliminate the backlogs by December 2026.							

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19.	Exceptional Item 6d, Address Backlog: ANE (Assisted Living Facilities (ALF), Individualized Skills and Socialization facilities (ISS), and Day Activity & Health Services facilities (DAHS))	\$ 650,930	\$ 661,456	\$ -	\$ -			
	House and Senate both provide \$4,219,545 in All Funds (\$4,163,053 in General Revenue and \$56,492 in Federal Funds) and 18.0/18.0 FTEs to support the current regulatory workload of ALF, ISS, & DAHS facilities and address & clear backlogs of abuse, neglect, and exploitation allegations / investigations and licensure and renewal surveys.							
	Senate provides an additional, one-time appropriation of \$661,456 in All Funds (\$650,930 in General Revenue and \$10,526 in Federal Funds) and 3.0/3.0 FTEs to eliminate the backlogs by December 2026.							

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20.	Exceptional Item 6f, Address Backlog: Employee Misconduct Registry (EMR)	\$ 5,599,124	\$ 5,673,088	\$ 7,344,217	\$ 7,438,372			
	Senate provides \$4,079,063 in All Funds (\$4,028,847 in General Revenue and \$50,216 in Federal Funds) and 16.0/16.0 FTEs to support Regulatory Enforcement and address & clear backlogs in processing enforcement actions, completing informal reviews, and processing of referrals, including referrals to the EMR. Additionally. Senate provides an additional, one-time appropriation of \$1,594,025 in All Funds (\$1,570,277 in General Revenue and \$23,748 in Federal Funds) and 8.0/8.0 FTEs to eliminate the backlogs by December 2026.							
	House provides \$7,438,372 in All Funds (\$7,344,217 in General Revenue and \$94,155 in Federal Funds) and 30.0/30.0 FTEs to support Regulatory Enforcement and address & clear backlogs in processing enforcement actions, completing informal reviews, and processing of referrals, including referrals to the EMR.							
21.	Add Indirect Administration for Exceptional Item 6, Protecting Vulnerable Adults and Children from Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation	\$ 984,554	\$ 1,020,240	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$1,020,240 in All Funds (\$984,554 in General Revenue and \$35,686 in Federal Funds) and 2.0/2.0 FTEs as one-time funding to support the indirect administration associated with addressing & clearing the backlogs addressed in #18 - 20.							

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22.	Exceptional Item 8a, Mental Health Resources for People with IDD	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 14,540,514	\$ 14,564,494			
	Senate provides \$2,000,000 in General Revenue for five additional teams at Local Intellectual and Developmental Disability Authorities (LIDDAs) to provide outpatient mental health services.							
	House provides \$14,564,494 in All Funds (\$14,540,514 in General Revenue and \$23,980 in Federal Funds) and 3.0/3.0 FTEs for 34 additional teams at LIDDAs and to provide related administrative support.							
23.	Exceptional Item 9a, Ensure Client Safety - Video Surveillance Re-procurement	\$ 7,579,595	\$ 7,613,393	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$7,613,393 in All Funds (\$7,579,595 in General Revenue and \$33,798 in Federal Funds) and 3.0/3.0 FTEs for the procurement of and related resources for a contract for video surveillance support and health monitoring services.							
24.	Exceptional Item 9c, Restore Funding for Inflationary Costs	\$ 7,687,350	\$ 7,687,350	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$7,687,350 in General Revenue to maintain appropriations for inflationary costs for certain inpatient contracted beds and maintain 50.0 percent of appropriations for inflationary costs at state-owned facilities as provided in HHSC Rider 108, One-time Funding for Facility Inflationary Costs, 2024-25 GAA.							
	Note: Partially impacted by Exceptional Item 5c, Increase Mental Health Bed Capacity							

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25.	Exceptional Item 10a, Seat Management	\$ 15,231,618	\$ 22,939,875	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$22,939,875 in All Funds (\$15,231,618 in General Revenue and \$7,708,257 in Federal Funds) for seat management equipment.							
26.	Exceptional Item 10b, Data Center Services	\$ 21,744,357	\$ 25,392,921	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$25,392,921 in All Funds (\$21,744,357 in General Revenue and \$3,648,564 in Federal Funds) to support shared technology services provided by the Department of Information Resources.							
27.	Exceptional Item 10c, System of Contract Operation and Reporting (SCOR) Enhancements (Phase II)	\$ 6,292,741	\$ 8,191,518	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$8,191,518 in All Funds (\$6,292,741 in General Revenue and \$1,898,777 in Federal Funds) and 8.0/8.0 FTEs to continue enhancements to SCOR.							
28.	Exceptional Item 11a, Data Stewardship	\$ 4,531,083	\$ 5,856,372	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$5,856,372 in All Funds (\$4,531,083 in General Revenue and \$1,325,289 in Federal Funds) and 11.0/11.0 FTEs to develop a core group of data quality experts to assist in making data driven decisions, identify issues in a timely manner, and ensure accurate information is provided to the public.							

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29.	Exceptional Item 14, OIG Modernize Surveillance Utilization Review Technology	\$2,224,645	\$3,091,704	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$3,091,704 in All Funds (\$2,224,645 in General Revenue and \$867,059 in Federal Funds) and 2.5/2.5 FTEs to support procurement of a case management and tracking system for the Surveillance Utilization Review (SUR) unit.							
30.	Exceptional Item 17, OIG Staff Resources and eDiscovery Software	\$1,318,691	\$2,081,979	\$2,637,370	\$4,163,937			
	Senate provides \$2,081,979 in All Funds (\$1,318,691 in General Revenue and \$763,288 in Federal Funds) and 5.2/5.2 FTEs to provide additional staff resources in key areas, including Provider Enrollment Integrity Screenings, the State Centers Investigative Team, Data Reviews, and Chief Counsel. Funding would also provide for electronic discovery software to assist the OIG Chief Counsel with case review.							
	House provides \$4,163,937 in All Funds (\$2,637,370 in General Revenue and \$1,526,567 in Federal Funds) and 10.5/10.5 FTEs for the same purpose.							

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31.	OIG Exceptional Item 19a, Advanced Fraud Analytics	\$2,078,837	\$2,884,638	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$2,884,638 in All Funds (\$2,078,837 in General Revenue and \$805,801 in Federal Funds) to provide cloud infrastructure to assist OIG in observing patterns, trends, and anomalies across large data sets.							
32.	Exceptional Item 21, TCCO Reinstatement of Client Services	\$-	\$-	\$1,866,691	\$1,866,691			
	House provides \$1,866,691 in General Revenue to restore a five percent budget reduction from the 2022-23 biennium.							
33.	Exceptional Item 23, TCCO Offsite Healthcare Costs	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$6,918,690	\$6,918,690			
	Senate provides \$5,000,000 in additional General Revenue for offsite healthcare services.							
	House provides \$6,918,690 in General Revenue for the same purpose.							
34.	Exceptional Item 24, TCCO Contract Rate Adjustment Costs	\$3,037,321	\$3,037,321	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$3,037,321 in General Revenue to increase the per diem rates for contracted services, including a 4.0 percent increase in fiscal year 2026 and a 3.0 percent increase in fiscal year 2027.							

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35.	Exceptional Item 25, TCCO Case Manager Career Ladder	\$ 115,934	\$ 115,934	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$115,934 in General Revenue for an annual salary adjustment equivalent to 3.0 percent of the established salary rate for case managers in good standing that meet all required employment standards.							
36.	Exceptional Item 28, TCCO Client Dental Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 219,695	\$ 219,695			
	House provides \$219,695 in General Revenue to newly provide dental prevention services to sexually violent predators (SVPs).							
37.	Exceptional Item 29, TCCO Microsoft O365 License Upgrade	\$ 43,002	\$ 43,002	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$43,002 in General Revenue to upgrade Microsoft products from Microsoft Office 2016 to Microsoft 365 licensing.							
	House provides \$43,002 in General Revenue in the supplemental bill for the same purpose.							
38.	Women's Health Funding	\$ 70,178,238	\$ 156,516,338	\$ 70,178,238	\$ 156,516,337			
	Senate provides \$156,516,338 in All Funds (\$70,178,238 in General Revenue and \$86,338,100 in Federal Funds) to maintain Women's Health Funding for Healthy Texas Women, Family Planning Program, and Caseload Growth at 2024-25 appropriated levels.							
	House provides \$156,516,337 in All Funds (\$70,178,238 in General Revenue and \$86,338,099 in Federal Funds) for the same purpose.							

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39.	Maternal Health Outcomes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 20,000,000			
	House provides \$20,000,000 in General Revenue to organizations implementing maternal health outcome programs.							
40.	Additional Funds for the Thriving Texas Families Program	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 70,000,000	\$ 70,000,000			
	Senate provides \$40,000,000 in General Revenue for additional funding in the Thriving Texas Families program.							
	House provides \$70,000,000 in General Revenue for the same purpose.							
41.	Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 58,758,920	\$ 58,758,920			
	Senate provides \$40,000,000 in additional General Revenue for youth mobile crisis outreach teams (YCOTs).							
	House provides \$58,758,920 in additional General Revenue for the same purpose.							
42	McLennan County Crisis Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000			
	House provides \$10,000,000 in General Revenue to support mental health screening, assessment, and related crisis services in McLennan County.							
43.	Development of Federal Substance Use Rate	\$ 1,185,595	\$ 1,185,595	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides in \$1,185,595 in General Revenue and 3.0/3.0 FTEs to support one-time administrative-related costs to develop federally funded reimbursement rates for substance use facilities that serve women and children.							

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44.	Healthy Community Collaboratives	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides an additional \$5,000,000 in General Revenue for the Healthy Community Collaboratives grant program.							
45.	Rate Increase for Guardianship Services	\$1,324,800	\$1,324,800	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$1,324,800 in General Revenue to increase the contracted rates for guardianship services to a maximum of \$425 per client per month.							
46.	Enhanced Capacity for Family Violence Services	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$4,000,000 in General Revenue for housing support and enhanced capacity for services to victims of family violence and their children.							
47.	Child Advocacy Centers	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$21,113,636	\$21,113,636			
	Senate provides \$5,000,000 in General Revenue for additional funding for Child Advocacy Center Programs.							
	House provides \$21,113,636 in General Revenue for the same purpose.							
48.	Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)	\$-	\$-	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000			
	House provides \$1,500,000 in General Revenue for additional funding for CASA Programs.							
49.	Pediatric Child Care Facility Developmentally Appropriate Care	\$-	\$-	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000			
	House provides \$1,000,000 in General Revenue to support developmentally appropriate care for pediatric nursing facility residents.							

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50.	Salary Increase for Behavioral Management Unit Staff	\$2,347,140	\$5,843,744	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$5,843,744 in All Funds (\$2,347,140 in General Revenue and \$3,496,604 in Federal Funds) for help support additional pay for employees working in designated specialized Behavioral Management Units at state supported living centers (SSLCs).							
51.	Residential Services for High Acuity Youth - Terrell State	\$34,301,553	\$34,301,553	\$-	\$-			
	Senate provides \$34,301,553 in General Revenue and 280.0/280.0 FTEs to establish a residential treatment facility for youth in DFPS conservatorship at Terrell State Hospital. Item was partially funded with a reallocation of \$14,000,000 in General Revenue from DFPS to HHSC.							
52.	Residential Youth Treatment Facility - Southeast Texas	\$-	\$-	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000			
	House provides \$12,000,000 in General Revenue to purchase and repurpose a building in Southeast Texas to serve as a residential treatment facility and youth mental health facility.							
53.	Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers (PPECC)	\$-	\$-	\$829,897	\$829,897			
	House provides \$829,897 in General Revenue and 2.0/2.0 FTEs for salaries, travel, and operating expenses to perform timely reviews of the architectural requirements for PPECC.							
54.	External Evaluation of Child Care Rules and Minimum	\$-	\$-	\$1,025,000	\$1,025,000			
	House provides \$1,025,000 in General Revenue for an independent assessment of HHSC's Child Care Regulation's rules and minimum standards for various child care facilities.							

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55.	Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Administrative Costs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,000,000	\$ 110,000,000			
	House provides \$110,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the state share of administrative costs associated with implementing the Summer EBT program in 2026.							
56.	Long-Term Care Ombudsman	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$3,000,000 in General Revenue Funds and 1.0/1.0 FTEs to support services provided by the Long-Term Care Ombudsman.							
57.	Search Engine Multi-Agency Reportable Conduct (SEMARC)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000,762	\$ 1,000,762			
	House provides \$1,000,762 in General Revenue to provide additional Tier 1 IT Help Desk contracted resources to support the implementation and operation of SEMARC.							
58.	Reduction - Central Program Support	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,500,000)	\$ (1,500,000)			
	House reduces General Revenue appropriations for Central Program Support related to an adopted floor amendment.							
59.	Fatherhood EFFECT Program	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,800,000	\$ -	\$ -			
	Senate provides \$2,800,000 in General Revenue for the Fatherhood EFFECT (Educating Fathers For Empowering Children Tomorrow) Program.							

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60.	Connecting Technology Services	\$	-	\$	4,000,000	\$	4,000,000	
	House provides \$4,000,000 in General Revenue for access to grants to organization that provides connecting technology to address the needs of children and families.							
61.	OIG Performance Measure Target							
	Senate sets the OIG Total Dollars Recovered (Millions) performance measure target at \$500.0 million per fiscal year.							
	House sets the target at \$393.0 million per fiscal year.							
62	Medicaid Enterprise Systems (MES) House removes Legislative Budget Board approval requirements for expenditures in excess of amounts identified in Rider 2, Capital Budget, for the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) and MMIS Modernization capital budget projects.	II-47, Rider #6 Rider Packet page II-14		II-48, Rider #6 Rider Packet page II-14				
63	Hospital Payments Senate identifies appropriations provided for increased reimbursement for Medicaid inpatient and outpatient services provided by rural hospitals.	II-48, Rider #8 Rider Packet page II-15		II-48, Rider #8 Rider Packet page II-15				
	House maintains existing additional direction regarding the distribution of funds identified in the rider.							
64.	Medicaid Therapy Services Reporting House requires HHSC to post quarterly the pediatric therapy waitlist data obtained pursuant to this rider on their website.	II-49, Rider #10 Rider Packet page II-17		II-49, Rider #10 Rider Packet page II-17				

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65.	Base Wage Increase for Personal Attendant Services Senate requires HHSC to report on an annual basis a list of providers whose calculated direct care staff wage and benefits expense ratio is less than 0.95.	II-55, Rider #23 Rider Packet page II-18	II-55, Rider #23 Rider Packet page II-18		
	House requires a ratio of less than 0.90 for the same reporting requirement. Note: Other changes identify appropriations provided for wage increases and are related to Item 1.				
66.	Rate Increase for Nursing Facilities Senate identifies appropriations provided to increase the dietary subcomponent and the facility and operations subcomponent of the reimbursement rate for nursing facilities.	II-55, Rider #25 Rider Packet page II-19			
67.	Informational Listing: Community Mental Health Hospital Beds Senate identifies appropriations provided for contracted inpatient capacity at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler.	II-60, Rider #39 Rider Packet page II-21	II-60, Rider #38 Rider Packet page II-21		
68.	Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams Senate directs HHSC to establish at least eight new YCOTs, establish three coverage tiers, and establish YCOT standards and reporting requirements.	II-61, Rider #41 Rider Packet page II-21	II-60, Rider #40 Rider Packet page II-21		

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69.	Informational Listing: Women's Health Funding House clarifies Legislative intent in subsection (d); clarifies Women's Health Programs eligible for additional caseload growth funding in subsection (d)(1); requires additional information for caseload growth notification; and identifies the funding for Women’s Preventative Mobile Health Units in subsection (f).	II-64, Rider #51 Rider Packet page II-22		II-63, Rider #50 Rider Packet page II-22					
70.	Funding for Child Advocacy Center Programs and Court Appointed Special Advocate Programs. House identifies the funding for a regional support initiative.	II-66, Rider #60 Rider Packet page II-24		II-66, Rider #59 Rider Packet page II-24					
71.	Rural Hospital Grant Program Senate identifies the funding and provides authority for additional grant use; defines the grant application process; and provides a grant deadline.	II-68, Rider #67 Rider Packet page II-25		II-67, Rider #66 Rider Packet page II-25					
	House provides authority for additional grant use; requires a report on grant expenditures; and provides authority for additional FTEs for grant administration.								
72.	Maximum Security Salaries Senate provides authority for certain SSLC staff working in designated specialized Behavioral Health Management Units to be paid up to a 10.0 percent increase over other salary rates in the 2026-27 GAA.	II-72, Rider #77 Rider Packet page II-27		II-70, Rider #76 Rider Packet page II-27					
73.	Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative (TPI) Senate and House differ on the strategy structure for cross-biennia UB authority in subsection (a).	II-75, Rider #93 Rider Packet page II-28		II-73, Rider #92 Rider Packet page II-28					

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74.	Limitations on Transfer Authority Senate and House differ on organizational structure and language included in the rider, which provides authority for certain transfers between HHSC strategies.	II-83, Rider #108 Rider Packet page II-29		II-81, Rider #107 Rider Packet page II-29				
	House also provides additional authority for HHSC to transfer funding to meet end-of-year Medicaid waiver slots.							
75.	Disposition of Appropriation Transfers from State-owned Hospitals House allows HHSC to exempt state-owned hospitals outside of Article II from certain requirements related to the disposition of matching Federal Funds received for Disproportionate Share Hospital payments and Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement waiver payments.	II-88, Rider #115 Rider Packet page II-34		II-85, Rider #114 Rider Packet page II-34				
76.	Enhanced Capacity for Family Violence Services Senate identifies funding for distribution to existing family violence centers and special nonresidential projects to provide housing support and enhanced capacity for services to victims of family violence and their children.	II-91, Rider #129 Rider Packet page II-35						
77.	Vision Screenings for Children Plan House directs HHSC to develop recommendations on ways to implement birth through four years old vision screenings.			II-88, Rider #130 Rider Packet page II-35				
78.	Summer EBT Administrative Costs House identifies appropriations provided for the state share of administrative costs associated with implementing the Summer EBT program in 2026.			II-88, Rider #131 Rider Packet page II-35				

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79.	Colorectal Cancer Feasibility Study Senate identifies funding for a study to determine the feasibility of a Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver, or similar federal funding opportunity, for the purpose of early screening and treatment of colorectal cancer for uninsured or underinsured Texas residents.	II-91, Rider #131 Rider Packet page II-36			
80.	Fatherhood EFFECT Senate identifies funding for grants to organizations that provide parent education and resources to fathers through the Fatherhood EFFECT Program.	II-91, Rider #132 Rider Packet page II-36			
81.	Intensive Outpatient Services and Partial Hospitalization Services House identifies appropriations provided to include intensive outpatient services and partial hospitalization services as a benefit under Medicaid behavioral health services.		II-89, Rider #133 Rider Packet page II-36		
82.	STAR Health Services Coordination House directs HHSC to coordinate with DFPS to develop written protocols to operationalize the service coordination requirements in the STAR Health Medicaid managed care contract. Note: See Special Provisions packet.		II-89, Rider #134 Rider Packet page II-37		
83.	Cost Comparison Report Senate includes perfecting changes to rider language.	II-92, Rider #134 Rider Packet page II-38	II-94, Rider #150 Rider Packet page II-38		

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84.	Maternal Health Outcome Program House identifies funding for grants to organizations implementing maternal health outcome programs.			II-90, Rider #136 Rider Packet page II-39				
85.	Credentialing for Providers within the STAR Health Managed Care Program House directs HHSC to make improvements to the process for credentialing health care providers within the STAR Health managed care program.			II-90, Rider #137 Rider Packet page II-39				
86.	Long-Term Care Ombudsman Senate identifies appropriations to support services provided by the Long-Term Care Ombudsman.	II-93, Rider #137 Rider Packet page II-40						
87.	Electronic Visit Verification Fraud Prevention Criteria Senate directs HHSC to develop and implement electronic visit verification fraud prevention criteria no later than September 1, 2025.	II-93, Rider #138 Rider Packet page II-40		II-91, Rider #139 Rider Packet page II-40				
	House requires the same development and implementation no later than September 1, 2026.							
88.	Maximize Federal Funds for Maternal Home Visiting Services House directs HHSC to conduct a study to determine the cost-effectiveness and feasibility of obtaining federal funds for home visiting services for pregnant women and children in the Medicaid program.			II-90, Rider #138 Rider Packet page II-41				
89.	Rate Increase for Applied Behavior Analysis Services and Report on Autism Services Senate identifies appropriations provided to increase the reimbursement rate for applied behavior analysis services and requires HHSC to report on pediatric autism services in Medicaid.	II-93, Rider #139 Rider Packet page II-42						

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90.	Rate Increase for Intellectual Developmental Disability Nursing Facilities House includes perfecting changes to rider language. Note: Other differences identify appropriations provided to revise the reimbursement methodology for an IDD nursing facility and are related to Item 5.	II-93, Rider #140 Rider Packet page II-43		II-88, Rider #129 Rider Packet page II-43					
91.	Implementation of Eligibility Policy Options House permits HHSC to implement eligibility policy options for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) to streamline eligibility determination processes.			II-91, Rider #140 Rider Packet page II-43					
92.	Nutritional Support Services House directs HHSC to permit Medicaid managed care organizations to offer nutritional support services in lieu of services covered under the Medicaid state plan.			II-91, Rider #141 Rider Packet page II-43					
93.	Reporting Requirement: Data Collection to Assess Financial Stability of Certain Medicaid Long-Term Care Providers Senate directs HHSC to collect and report on information related to the financial stability of certain Medicaid long-term care providers.	II-94, Rider #141 Rider Packet page II-44							
94.	Childcare Development Center Senate provides intent that the center will be available for state employee use regardless of employment at health and human services agencies.	II-94, Rider #142 Rider Packet page II-45		II-95, Rider #154 Rider Packet page II-45					

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95.	Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers (PPECC) House identifies funding for salaries, travel, and operating expenses for HHSC's Regulatory Services Division to perform timely reviews of the architectural requirements for PPECC.			II-91, Rider #142 Rider Packet page II-46				
96.	Out-Stationed Eligibility Staff House exempts out-stationed eligibility staff for whom the state does not pay a portion of the salary or benefits from certain limitations on full-time equivalents.			II-91, Rider #143 Rider Packet page II-46				
97.	Montgomery County Mental Health Treatment Facility Senate provides authority for appropriations to continue to be used to reimburse Montgomery County for administrative fees related to the Montgomery county Mental Health Treatment Facility, including bond debt.	II-95, Rider #144 Rider Packet page II-46						
98.	External Evaluation of Child Care Rules and Minimum Standards House identifies funding for and directs HHSC to conduct and evaluation of HHSC's rules and minimum standards for licensed various licensed child care facilities.			II-92, Rider #144 Rider Packet page II-47				
99.	Interest List Reduction Workgroup House directs HHSC to create a workgroup to study the feasibility and impact of certain approaches to decrease intellectual and developmental disability waiver interest lists and ensure timely access to supports.			II-92, Rider #145 Rider Packet page II-48				
100.	Unexpended Balance Authority for Certain Capital Projects Senate provides unexpended balance authority across biennia related to certain construction projects.	II-95, Rider #145 Rider Packet page II-49						

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101.	Offsite Healthcare Study Senate requires HHSC to study and report on recommendations to reduce offsite healthcare costs at TCCO.	II-95, Rider #146 Rider Packet page II-50			
102.	Funding for Search Engine Multi-Agency Reportable Conduct (SEMARC) House identifies funding for the SEMARC system to support the safety and oversight of individuals working with vulnerable populations.		II-93, Rider #146 Rider Packet page II-50		
103.	Mobile and School-Based Dental Services House provides direction that the Medicaid program includes mobile and school-based dental programs for beneficiaries 18 years old and under.		II-93, Rider #147 Rider Packet page II-51		
104.	Cost Containment House includes identifying underpayments and overpayments in Medicaid managed care that are recovered as a cost containment initiative.	II-95, Rider #147 Rider Packet page II-52	II-97, Rider #158 Rider Packet page II-52		
105.	Appropriate Care Settings for Individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness and Co-Occurring Conditions Study Senate requires HHSC to conduct a study regarding program options for intensive residential services for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness.	II-96, Rider #148 Rider Packet page II-52			
106.	Medicaid Reimbursement Rates for Rapid Testing House states the intent of the Legislature that HHSC shall evaluate the reimbursement rate for services related to syphilis testing and treatment.		II-93, Rider #148 Rider Packet page II-54		

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		All Funds		All Funds		All Funds		Explanation	
107.	Rate Review for Pediatric Care Center Services House states the intent of the Legislature that HHSC shall conduct an annual review of reimbursement rates for pediatric care center services delivered to children under Medicaid.			II-94, Rider #149 Rider Packet page II-54					
108.	Federal Reimbursement for Certain Substance Use Services Senate requires HHSC to develop federally funded reimbursement rates for substance use facilities that serve women and children, and specifies that associated administrative funding and staff are one-time.	II-97, Rider #149 Rider Packet page II-54							
109.	Appropriation of Unexpended Balances for Alternative Therapy Studies Senate provides unexpended balance authority across biennia related to House Bill 1802, Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 2021.	II-97, Rider #150 Rider Packet page II-55							
110.	Guardianship Service Provider Rates Senate identifies funding to increase the contracted rates for guardianship services to a maximum of \$425 per client per month.	II-97, Rider #151 Rider Packet page II-55							
111.	Report on the Development of Hospital Inpatient Rates House directs HHSC to submit a report on its proposal to rebase Medicaid inpatient hospital base rates.			II-94, Rider #151 Rider Packet page II-55					
112.	Streamlining Managed Care Enrollment House directs HHSC to develop and implement an automatic enrollment process for Medicaid managed care.			II-95, Rider #152 Rider Packet page II-56					

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113.	Regulatory Services Division (RSD) Senate identifies one-time funding for RSD related to clearing Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation backlogs by December 2026.	II-97, Rider #152 Rider Packet page II-56							
114.	Establishment of Additional PACE Sites House provides undetermined transfer authority and authorization for up to three new Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) sites beginning in fiscal year 2026.			II-96, Rider #156 Rider Packet page II-57					
115.	Psychiatric Residential Youth Treatment Facility House identifies funding to purchase and repurpose a building in Southeast Texas to serve as a psychiatric residential youth treatment facility and youth mental health facility.			II-97, Rider #157 Rider Packet page II-58					
116.	Study on Including Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility as a Medicaid State Plan Benefit House requires HHSC to study and provide recommendations regarding adding psychiatric residential treatment facilities as a Medicaid state plan benefit for youth between the ages of 13-17 with high acuity behavioral health conditions.			II-97, Rider #159 Rider Packet page II-58					

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117.	McLennan County Crisis Stabilization and Inpatient Services House identifies funding to support mental health screening and assessment, crisis services, and expanded inpatient bed capacity in McLennan County, including requiring HHSC to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Commissioner's Court for this purpose.			II-98, Rider #160 Rider Packet page II-59					
118.	Pediatric Child Care Facility Developmentally Appropriate Care House identifies funding for a grant to pediatric care centers to support developmentally appropriate care for pediatric nursing facility residents.			II-98, Rider #161 Rider Packet page II-59					
119.	Uvalde Behavioral Health Campus House identifies funding provided for start-up and operation of the Uvalde Behavioral Health Campus.			II-98, Rider #162 Rider Packet page II-60					
120.	Connecting Technology Services House identifies funding for grants to organization that provides connecting technology to address the needs of children and families.			II-98, Rider #163 Rider Packet page II-60					
121.	Medicaid and CHIP Residency Verification House directs HHSC, to the extent allowable under state and federal law and regulations, to verify the residency status of all Medicaid and CHIP recipients at least once per month.			II-98, Rider #164 Rider Packet page II-61					

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122.	Diabetes Prevention Program House directs HHSC to conduct a study in collaboration with DSHS to evaluate the cost-effectiveness and feasibility of implementing a diabetes prevention program for Medicaid recipients.		II-99, Rider #165 Rider Packet page II-61		
123.	Study on Language Accessibility House directs HHSC to employ a language access coordinator to conduct an assessment of non-English speakers' access to HHSC programs and 2-1-1 services provided by the Texas Information and Referral Network (TIRN).		II-99, Rider #166 Rider Packet page II-62		
124.	Evaluation of Federal Medicaid Funding or Policy Changes House directs HHSC to evaluate the impact of any federal changes to Medicaid funding or policy within 30 days of announcement, to determine the extent of any impact to operation of programs supporting Medicaid and uninsured patient care.		II-99, Rider #167 Rider Packet page II-62		
125.	Medicaid Dental Reimbursement Rate Reallocation House directs HHSC to reverse dental managed care reimbursement rates that took effect March 1, 2025, for certain procedure codes, and redistribute the funds to procedure codes specified in the rider.		II-99, Rider #168 Rider Packet page II-63		

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126.	Report on Medicaid Eligibility Determinations House directs HHSC to submit a report detailed data on Medicaid eligibility determinations for each state fiscal year starting with fiscal year 2018.			II-100, Rider #169 Rider Packet page II-64				
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions		\$ 1,435,747,870	\$ 3,083,283,481	\$ 2,109,596,825	\$ 4,698,846,953	\$ -	\$ -	
						<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	
Total, Full-time Equivalents						0.0	0.0	

	Outstanding Items for Consideration				Tentative Conference Committee Decisions		
Article II, Health and Human Services Special Provisions Relating to All Health and Human Services Agencies (S02) SB 1 Conference Committee Items for Consideration	Senate <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u> GR & GR-DedicatedAll Funds		House <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u> GR & GR-DedicatedAll Funds		Adopted <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u> GR & GR-DedicatedAll Funds		Explanation
Senate / House Committee Substitute Grand Total, Special Provisions Relating to All Health and Human Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
	FY 2026	FY2027	FY 2026	FY 2027			
Senate / House Total Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Technical Adjustment:							
1. System Support Services Reallocate exceptional item funding appropriated at HHSC among Article II agencies to support increased system support services assessments, including conforming changes to align with Conference Committee decisions							
2. Restore Reduction for System Support Services at HHSC HHSC's baseline request was reduced in General Revenue for amounts that had transferred to DFPS and DSHS related to system support services and were no longer available at HHSC.							
Senate / House Differences in SB 1:							
1. Limitations on Transfer Authority House adds a 30-business day time clock related to transfer requests among Article II agencies.	II-101, Sec. 6 Rider Packet page II-65		II-104, Sec. 6 Rider Packet page II-65				
2. Federal Funds Requirement House adds a 30-business day time clock related to Article II agency requests to increase the state's maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement for any federal grant.	II-110, Sec. 24 Rider Packet page II-66		II-113, Sec. 24 Rider Packet page II-66				

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3.	Residential Services for High Acuity Youth in Department of Family and Protective Services Conservatorship Senate requires HHSC to establish a residential treatment facility dedicated to youth in conservatorship.	II-112, Sec. 28 Rider Packet page II-68			
4.	Transparency in Child Care Regulatory Activities House requires HHSC to submit an annual report on Child Care Regulatory Division activities.		II-115, Sec. 28 Rider Packet page II-69		
5.	Transparency in State Monitoring House requires HHSC and DFPS to report annually on deidentified information on child care facilities placed on heightened monitoring.		II-116, Sec. 29 Rider Packet page II-70		
6.	Contract Reporting Senate requires Article II agencies to report quarterly on the number of no-cost contracts and interagency contracts with institutions of higher education.	II-113, Sec. 29 Rider Packet page II-71			
7.	Consolidation of Data Collected from Hospitals Senate requires HHSC and DSHS to report on hospital data requirements, eliminated or modified reports, and the stated purpose of all remaining information or data collection requirements.	II-114, Sec. 30 Rider Packet page II-72			

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Article II, Health and Human Services Special Provisions Relating to All Health and Human Services Agencies (S02) SB 1 Conference Committee Items for Consideration		Senate <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u> GR & GR-DedicatedAll Funds		House <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u> GR & GR-DedicatedAll Funds		Adopted <u>2026-27 Biennial Total</u> GR & GR-DedicatedAll Funds		Explanation
8.	STAR Health Services Coordination House directs HHSC to coordinate with DFPS to develop written protocols to operationalize the service coordination requirements in the STAR Health Medicaid managed care contract. Note: This is reflected in the HHSC bill pattern but, if adopted, would be moved to Special Provisions.			II-89, HHSC Rider 134 Rider Packet page II-37				
Total, Outstanding Items / Tentative Decisions		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
						<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>	
Total, Full-time Equivalents						0.0	0.0	