

1-1 By: Huffman S.B. No. 1605
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 11, 2021; March 24, 2021, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Finance; April 8, 2021,
 1-4 reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 15, Nays 0;
 1-5 April 8, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-23 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-24 AN ACT

1-25 relating to directing payment, after approval, of certain
 1-26 miscellaneous claims and judgments against the state out of funds
 1-27 designated by this Act; making appropriations.

1-28 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-29 SECTION 1. The following sums of money are appropriated out
 1-30 of the General Revenue Fund No. 0001 for payment of itemized claims
 1-31 and judgments plus interest, if any, against the State of Texas:

1-32 To pay claim number 95M00025 to a confidential payee for
 1-33 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued October 6, 2016.
 1-34 \$89,667.22

1-35 To pay claim number 95M00032 to Sadler Clinic Association for
 1-36 replacement of a void warrant for workers' compensation issued
 1-37 December 3, 2009.
 1-38 \$15.00

1-39 To pay claim number 95M00078 to a confidential payee for
 1-40 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued September 17,
 1-41 2015.
 1-42 \$433,228.77

1-43 To pay claim number 95M00079 to Lone Star Overnight for
 1-44 pickup and delivery services, invoice number 4746152, from
 1-45 September 10, 2010, to September 20, 2010.
 1-46 \$14.60

1-47 To pay claim number 95M00081 to Craig Eiland for replacement
 1-48 of void travel warrants issued July 8, 2011, and August 1, 2011.
 1-49 \$213.90

1-50 To pay claim number 95M00134 to Pharr-San Juan-Alamo
 1-51 Independent School District for Invoice 32, services for June 2017
 1-52 for the Texas Migrant Interstate Program, contract 3255, purchase
 1-53 order 36209.
 1-54 \$36,455.58

1-55 To pay claim number 95M00136 to Pharr-San Juan-Alamo
 1-56 Independent School District for invoice 34, services for August
 1-57 2017 for the Texas Migrant Interstate Program, contract 3255,
 1-58 purchase order 36209.
 1-59 \$84,106.54

1-60 To pay claim number 95M00154 to Texas A&M University for
 1-61 expenses associated with student identification number 420005904

2-1 between August 30, 2010, and December 15, 2010.
2-2 \$2,323.39
2-3 To pay claim number 95M00161 to a confidential payee for
2-4 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued July 26, 2007.
2-5 \$1,250.92
2-6 To pay claim number 95M00207 to Opportunities Counseling
2-7 Center for group, individual, and family counseling services,
2-8 invoice 32255178, in June 2015.
2-9 \$16,662.39
2-10 To pay claim number 95M00223 to a confidential payee for
2-11 replacement of a void sales tax warrant issued October 25, 2016.
2-12 \$59,096.76
2-13 To pay claim number 95M00262 to a confidential payee for
2-14 replacement of a void payroll warrant issued August 3, 2009.
2-15 \$2,774.47
2-16 To pay claim number 95M00340 to The University of Texas at San
2-17 Antonio - Financial Service for Title IV-E training - direct,
2-18 indirect, and stipend costs from October 1, 2016, to August 31,
2-19 2017, contract 530-17-0073-00001.
2-20 \$172,159.27
2-21 To pay claim number 95M00381 to ACH Child and Family Services
2-22 for confidential adoption services, account 24128869 - various
2-23 adoptions occurring from February 29, 2016, to May 2, 2017.
2-24 \$68,200.00
2-25 To pay claim number 95M00408 to Ultimate Pediatric Care, Inc.
2-26 for nursing home services provided from August 16, 2010, to January
2-27 31, 2012.
2-28 \$47,482.70
2-29 To pay claim number 95M00448 to Touchstone Strategies, LLC
2-30 for nursing home services from June 1, 2013, to December 30, 2013.
2-31 \$56,440.85
2-32 To pay claim number 95M00452 to Courage Health Care Services,
2-33 Inc. for community care services from September 1, 2009, to
2-34 December 31, 2010.
2-35 \$22,187.58
2-36 To pay claim number 95M00454 to a confidential payee for
2-37 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued October 1, 2009.
2-38 \$6,498.48
2-39 To pay claim number 95M00463 to a confidential payee for
2-40 replacement of a void sales tax warrant issued March 31, 2015.
2-41 \$574,471.27
2-42 To pay claim number 95M00465 to Carol Lynn Whalen for
2-43 replacement of a void unclaimed property warrant issued July 19,
2-44 2016.
2-45 \$1,827,682.53
2-46 To pay claim number 95M10010 to a confidential payee for
2-47 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued August 8, 2017.
2-48 \$57,729.72
2-49 To pay claim number 95M10012 to a confidential payee for
2-50 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued August 7, 2017.
2-51 \$11,203.82
2-52 To pay claim number 95M10021 to Tarrant County, Texas for
2-53 Title IV-E other administration, indirect administration, foster
2-54 care maintenance from January 2017 to August 2017, contract number
2-55 24736951.
2-56 \$52,960.05
2-57 To pay claim number 95M10039 to a confidential payee for
2-58 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued October 16,
2-59 2014.
2-60 \$121,061.13
2-61 To pay claim number 95M10055 to a confidential payee for
2-62 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued July 6, 2017.
2-63 \$186,137.55
2-64 To pay claim number 95M10066 to a confidential payee for
2-65 replacement of a void sales tax warrant issued July 29, 2011.
2-66 \$241.23
2-67 To pay claim number 95M10081 to a confidential payee for
2-68 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued September 6,
2-69 2011.

3-1		\$1,484.88
3-2	To pay claim number 95M10088 a confidential payee for	
3-3	replacement of a void sales tax warrant issued March 2, 2010.	
3-4		\$527.19
3-5	To pay claim number 95M10090 to SSC McAllen Las Palmas	
3-6	Operating Company, LLC for nursing home services from September 2,	
3-7	2012, to August 31, 2013.	
3-8		\$29,946.12
3-9	To pay claim number 95M10144 to a confidential payee for	
3-10	replacement of a void insurance premium tax warrant issued March	
3-11	12, 2013.	
3-12		\$239,797.74
3-13	To pay claim number 95M90218 to a confidential payee for	
3-14	replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued December 7,	
3-15	2007.	
3-16		\$4,667.38
3-17	To pay claim number 95M90222 to a confidential payee for	
3-18	replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued January 16,	
3-19	2008.	
3-20		\$1,185.70
3-21	To pay claim number 95M90232 to BearingPoint, Inc.	
3-22	Liquidating Trust for replacement of a void warrant for fees for	
3-23	receiving electronic payment, issued April 20, 2008.	
3-24		\$10,886.00
3-25	To pay claim number 95M90233 to BearingPoint, Inc.	
3-26	Liquidating Trust for replacement of a void warrant for fees for	
3-27	receiving electronic payment issued April 1, 2010.	
3-28		\$325.36
3-29	To pay claim number 95M90239 to Bettye J. Taylor for	
3-30	replacement of a void warrant for cigarette vending machine decals	
3-31	issued March 20, 1984.	
3-32		\$10.00
3-33	To pay claim number 95M90253 to a confidential payee for	
3-34	replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued December 21,	
3-35	2012.	
3-36		\$56,951.44
3-37	To pay claim number 95M90255 to a confidential payee for	
3-38	replacement of a void hotel tax warrant issued July 9, 2007.	
3-39		\$7,135.76
3-40	To pay claim number 95M90265 to Hope Home Care, Inc. for	
3-41	community-based alternative care from July 1, 2010, to September	
3-42	15, 2010.	
3-43		\$1,757.57
3-44	To pay claim number 95M90267 to Cuidado Casero Home Health	
3-45	Central, Inc. for community care services from January 1, 2011, to	
3-46	December 31, 2011.	
3-47		\$3,871.35
3-48	To pay claim number 95M90288 to Diamond Care Health Services,	
3-49	LLC for community care services from January 16, 2011, to April 15,	
3-50	2011.	
3-51		\$512.44
3-52	To pay claim number 95M90319 to a confidential payee for	
3-53	replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued September 7,	
3-54	2010.	
3-55		\$150.00
3-56	To pay claim number 95M90320 to Christopher Cooke for	
3-57	replacement of a void binding arbitration warrant issued March 19,	
3-58	2009.	
3-59		\$450.00
3-60	To pay claim number 95M90332 to Barnett Lane Investments,	
3-61	Inc. for a refund of an overpayment of dry cleaning fees from July	
3-62	13, 2009, to January 6, 2015.	
3-63		\$9,000.00
3-64	To pay claim number 95M90340 to St. Agnes Health Care	
3-65	Professionals, Inc. for community-based alternative from April 1,	
3-66	2010, to January 13, 2011.	
3-67		\$801.42
3-68	To pay claim number 95M90366 to a confidential payee for	
3-69	replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued April 26, 2013.	

4-1 \$309,604.50
 4-2 To pay claim number 95M90454 to a confidential payee for
 4-3 replacement of a void franchise tax warrant issued November 17,
 4-4 2010.
 4-5 \$4,198.46
 4-6 To pay claim number 95M90457 to a confidential payee for
 4-7 replacement of a void sales tax warrant issued June 29, 2016.
 4-8 \$70,808.30
 4-9 To pay claim number 95M90458 to a confidential payee for
 4-10 replacement of a void insurance premium tax warrant issued March
 4-11 25, 2016.
 4-12 \$194,951.47
 4-13 To pay claim number 95M90462 to a confidential payee for
 4-14 replacement of a void insurance premium tax warrant issued March
 4-15 18, 2016.
 4-16 \$60,609.70
 4-17 To pay claim number 95MT1001 to Morrison & Foerster, LLP for
 4-18 attorney fees and costs in a lawsuit, Women's Whole Health et al. vs
 4-19 John Hellerstedt et al, AG No. 143495125, litigated before the U.S.
 4-20 District Court for the Western District of Texas, in a case
 4-21 challenging the constitutionality of regulation of abortion
 4-22 procedures.
 4-23 \$2,563,875.56 (plus 1.94 percent interest compounded
 4-24 annually from August 9, 2019, until paid)
 4-25 To pay claim number 95MT1002 to the Children's Rights, Inc.
 4-26 for attorney fees and costs in a lawsuit, M.D. et al., v. Governor
 4-27 Greg Abbott, et al., AG No. 113255954, litigated before the U.S.
 4-28 District Court, Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi
 4-29 Division, in a case alleging systemic problems in the Department of
 4-30 Family and Protective Services' administration of the foster care
 4-31 system.
 4-32 \$6,272,552.05 (plus 0.15 percent interest per annum,
 4-33 compounded annually from July 14, 2020, until paid)
 4-34 To pay claim number 95MT1003 to A Better Childhood, Inc. for
 4-35 attorney fees and costs in a lawsuit, M.D. et al., v. Governor Greg
 4-36 Abbott, et al., AG No. 113255954, litigated before the U.S.
 4-37 District Court, Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi
 4-38 Division, in a case alleging systemic problems in the Department of
 4-39 Family and Protective Services' administration of the foster care
 4-40 system.
 4-41 \$479,055.91 (plus 0.15 percent interest per annum,
 4-42 compounded annually from July 14, 2020, until paid)
 4-43 To pay claim number 95MT1004 to Haynes & Boone, LLP, for
 4-44 attorney fees and costs in a lawsuit, M.D. et al., v. Governor Greg
 4-45 Abbott, et al., AG No. 113255954, litigated before the U.S.
 4-46 District Court, Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi
 4-47 Division, in a case alleging systemic problems in the Department of
 4-48 Family and Protective Services' administration of the foster care
 4-49 system.
 4-50 \$1,205,678.68 (plus 0.15 percent interest per annum,
 4-51 compounded annually from July 14, 2020, until paid)
 4-52 To pay claim number 95MT1005 to Yetter Coleman, LLP, for
 4-53 attorney fees and costs in a lawsuit, M.D. et al., v. Governor Greg
 4-54 Abbott, et al., AG No. 113255954, litigated before the U.S.
 4-55 District Court, Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi
 4-56 Division, in a case alleging systemic problems in the Department of
 4-57 Family and Protective Services' administration of the foster care
 4-58 system.
 4-59 \$4,493,682.96 (plus 0.15 percent interest per annum,
 4-60 compounded annually from July 14, 2020, until paid)
 4-61 SECTION 2. The following sums of money are appropriated out
 4-62 of the State Highway Fund No. 0006 for payment of itemized claims
 4-63 and judgments plus interest, if any, against the State of Texas:
 4-64 To pay claim number 95M00057 to Consor Engineers, LLC, for
 4-65 professional engineering services, Project B200180.01, Contract
 4-66 No. 36-6IDP5347(5798) WA#1, Invoice No. 1, from April 13, 2017, to
 4-67 May 31, 2017.
 4-68 \$67,726.82
 4-69 To pay claim number 95M00194 to Paul Gajkowski for

5-1 replacement of void employee expense reimbursement warrants issued
5-2 October 15, 2008.
5-3 \$370.97
5-4 To pay claim number 95M00364 to Camp County Land Abstract &
5-5 Title Company for title company work, Invoice 5391, District
5-6 19- Atlanta, RCSJ 0248-02-058 Parcel 10.
5-7 \$1,286.00
5-8 To pay claim number 95M00480 to Travis County Central
5-9 Collections for Travis County Court Costs from October 11, 2002, to
5-10 September 1, 2004.
5-11 \$4,185.00
5-12 To pay claim number 95M00488 to Montgomery County, Texas for
5-13 reimbursement for acquisition and title fees for Houston
5-14 District - RCSJ 1259-01-035 Parcel 77, on August 23, 2017.
5-15 \$166,117.73
5-16 To pay claim number 95M10031 to Montgomery County, Texas for
5-17 reimbursement for acquisition and title fees for Houston
5-18 District - RCSJ 1259-01-035 Parcel 65.
5-19 \$180,257.65
5-20 To pay claim number 95M10104 to Fenway Development, Inc. for
5-21 temporary construction easement, Account No. 6012-50-009, Right Of
5-22 Way Control Section Job: 8170-12-002, Parcel 15TCE, on September
5-23 13, 2016.
5-24 \$188,038.00
5-25 To pay claim number 95M10107 to Fort Bend County, Texas for
5-26 local public agency/title expense reimbursements, Control Job
5-27 Number: 1415-03-011, Parcel 006 FM 2759 Crabb River Road, on
5-28 January 3, 2018.
5-29 \$86,190.65
5-30 To pay claim number 95M10150 to U.S. Fish and Wildlife
5-31 Services for payment for closeout of insurance, Invoice 0090357473R
5-32 from January 1, 2015, to June 30, 2015. 576XXF9001; Purchase
5-33 Order-601CT00000006973.
5-34 \$66,910.47
5-35 SECTION 3. The following sums of money are appropriated out
5-36 of the Lottery General Revenue Account No. 5025 for payment of
5-37 itemized claims and judgments plus interest, if any, against the
5-38 State of Texas:
5-39 To pay claim number 95M10038 to Rudolph Properties, Inc. for
5-40 replacement of void retailer commissions warrant issued June 6,
5-41 2011.
5-42 \$5,500.00
5-43 SECTION 4. The following sums of money are appropriated out
5-44 of the Designated Trauma Facility and Emergency Medical Services
5-45 General Revenue Account No. 5111 for payment of itemized claims and
5-46 judgments plus interest, if any, against the State of Texas:
5-47 To pay claim number 95M90283 to Memorial Hermann Hospital
5-48 System for replacement of void warrant for fees for uncompensated
5-49 trauma care, issued July 17, 2018.
5-50 \$317,870.51
5-51 SECTION 5. (a) Before any claim or judgment may be paid
5-52 from money appropriated by this Act, the claim or judgment must be
5-53 verified and substantiated by the administrator of the special fund
5-54 or account against which the claim or judgment is to be charged and
5-55 be approved by the attorney general and the comptroller of public
5-56 accounts. Any claim or judgment itemized in this Act that has not
5-57 been verified and substantiated by the administrator of the special
5-58 fund or account and approved by the attorney general and the
5-59 comptroller by August 31, 2023, may not be paid from money
5-60 appropriated by this Act.
5-61 (b) Each claim or judgment paid from money appropriated by
5-62 this Act must contain such information as the comptroller of public
5-63 accounts requires but at a minimum must contain the specific reason
5-64 for the claim or judgment. If the claim is for a void warrant, the
5-65 claim must include a specific identification of the goods,
5-66 services, refunds, or other items for which the warrant was
5-67 originally issued. In addition, it must include a certification by
5-68 the original payee or the original payee's successors, heirs, or
5-69 assigns that the debt is still outstanding. If the claim or

6-1 judgment is for unpaid goods or services, it must be accompanied by
6-2 an invoice or other acceptable documentation of the unpaid account
6-3 and any other information that may be required by the comptroller.

6-4 SECTION 6. Subject to the conditions and restrictions in
6-5 this Act and provisions stated in the judgments, the comptroller of
6-6 public accounts is authorized and directed to issue one or more
6-7 warrants on the state treasury, as soon as possible following the
6-8 effective date of this Act, in favor of each of the individuals,
6-9 firms, or corporations named or claim numbers identified in this
6-10 Act, in an amount not to exceed the amount set opposite their
6-11 respective names or claim numbers and shall mail or deliver to each
6-12 of the individuals, firms, or corporations associated with each
6-13 claim one or more warrants in payment of all claims included in this
6-14 Act.

6-15 SECTION 7. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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