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H.B. No. 3258

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to a report by the Legislative Budget Board on the reliance
3 by this state on certain dedicated revenue for purposes of budget
4 certification.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Sections 322.024(a), (b), and (c), Government
7 Code, are amended to read as follows:

8 (a) In this section, "available dedicated revenue" means
9 revenue that Section 403.095, including any reenactment of Section
10 403.095, makes available for certification under Section 403.121.

11 (b) The board shall:

12 (1) develop and implement a process to review:

13 (A) new legislative enactments that create
14 dedicated revenue; and

15 (B) the appropriation and accumulation of
16 dedicated revenue and available dedicated revenue;

17 (2) develop and implement tools to evaluate the use of
18 available dedicated revenue for state government financing and
19 budgeting; and

20 (3) develop specific and detailed recommendations on
21 actions the legislature may reasonably take to reduce state
22 government's reliance on available dedicated revenue for the
23 purposes of certification under Section 403.121 as authorized by
24 Section 403.095 or by any reenactment of Section 403.095.

1 (c) The board shall:

2 (1) incorporate into the board's budget
3 recommendations for each state fiscal biennium appropriate
4 measures to reduce state government's reliance on available
5 dedicated revenue for the purposes of certification under Section
6 403.121 as authorized by Section 403.095 or by any reenactment of
7 Section 403.095; and

8 (2) [~~shall~~] include with the budget recommendations
9 for each state fiscal biennium a plan adopted by the board [~~plans~~]
10 for further reducing state government's reliance on available
11 dedicated revenue for those purposes for the three state fiscal
12 bienniums that follow the adoption of those budget recommendations
13 [~~succeeding six years~~].

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.