

Amend **CSSB 1** as follows:

(1) Under the Article XI appropriations to the Water Development Board (page XI-69), add the following appropriately numbered rider:

____. Contingent Appropriation: Economically Distressed Areas in Harris County and Fort Bend County. (a) Contingent on the enactment and becoming law of **HB 467** or similar legislation of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, that qualifies Harris County and Fort Bend County for the economically distressed areas program, the sum of \$15,100,000, in addition to amounts otherwise appropriated by this Act, is appropriated out of the General Revenue Fund to the Texas Water Development Board for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2005, to be used as follows:

(1) \$15,000,000 to be transferred to the economically distressed areas program account to be used by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions in Harris County and Fort Bend County; and

(2) \$50,000 in each year of the biennium to support one additional full-time equivalent employee of the Texas Water Development Board to administer the economically distressed areas program.

(b) The number of full-time equivalent employee positions otherwise authorized by this Act for the Texas Water Development Board is increased by one for each fiscal year of the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2005, as provided by Subsection (a)(2) of this rider.

(2) Adjust the article totals (page XI-1) accordingly.