By: Davis of Dallas H.B. No. 3534

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the payment of a judgment against the state in favor of
- 3 Marilou Morrison.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. (a) For payment to Marilou Morrison according to
- 6 the terms of a judgment in the case of Marilou Morrison v. Texas
- 7 Commission on Human Rights, Texas Workforce Commission, Cause No.
- 8 D-1-GN-03-00863, 353rd District Court, there is appropriated to the
- 9 comptroller of public accounts from the General Revenue Fund
- 10 Account No. 0001 an amount not to exceed \$900,000 plus postjudgment
- 11 interest for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2009.
- 12 (b) A warrant may not be prepared for payment of the
- 13 judgment unless the judgment is:
- 14 (1) certified by the attorney general as being final
- 15 with no further appeals available; and
- 16 (2) approved by the attorney general as a legally
- 17 enforceable obligation of the state.
- 18 (c) Following the certification and approval under
- 19 Subsection (b) of this section, the comptroller of public accounts
- 20 shall issue a warrant as soon as possible in favor of Marilou
- 21 Morrison in payment of the judgment and mail or deliver the warrant
- 22 to Marilou Morrison or her authorized representative.
- 23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.