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Turner (Senate Sponsor - Ogden)
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                                                                             H.B. No. 3647
                (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2011;
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       May 12, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance; May 20, 2011, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
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        Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 20, 2011,
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       sent to printer.)
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       COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 3647
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                                      A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                               AN ACT
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       relating to directing payment, after approval, of certain miscellaneous claims and judgments against the state out of funds
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        designated by this Act; making appropriations.
                BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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       SECTION 1. The following sums of money are appropriated from money derived from the settlement of the following lawsuits {\cal C}
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       and held in the suspense account established by the comptroller and
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        the attorney general in the General Revenue Fund Account No. 0001
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       for payment of itemized claims and judgments plus interest, if any,
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        against the State of Texas:
                To pay Wright & Greenhill, P.C. the following amounts payable
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               the outside counsel contract OCC No. 2007-302-0012 in
        connection with the settlement of claims in State of Texas ex rel.
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       Ven-A-Care of the Florida Keys, Inc. v. Mylan Pharmaceuticals USA, et al., Cause No. D-1-GV-07-001259, District Court of Travis County, 201st Judicial District—the amount of $5,750,000.00 for
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       legal fees and the amount of $174,222.32 for expenses for a total
       appropriation of
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                                                                             $5,924,222.32
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                To pay Wright & Greenhill, P.C. the following amounts payable
       under the outside counsel contract OCC No. 2007-302-0012 in connection with the settlement of claims in State of Texas ex rel. Ven-A-Care of the Florida Keys, Inc. v. TEVA, et al., Cause No. D-1-GV-07-001259, District Court of Travis County, 201st Judicial District—the amount of $11,230,010.00 for legal fees and the amount of $157,093.62 for expenses for a total appropriation
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                                                                            $11,387,103.62
                SECTION 2. The following sums of money are appropriated out
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        of the General Revenue Fund Account No. 0001 for payment of itemized
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       claims and judgments plus interest, if any, against the State of
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       Texas:
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                To pay Securities America Advisors, Inc. for replacement of a
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       void warrant issued on March 9, 2000, for reimbursement of
       professional fees
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                                                                                   $1,760.00
        To pay Community Healthcare Services, Inc. for home and community services provided from February 2005 through August
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       2005
                                                                                $142,000.29
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                To pay Robert S. Kittredge for replacement of a void warrant
       issued May 14, 1982 $10.00

To pay Cable Com, Inc. for replacement of a void warrant issued April 24, 1995 $8,202.44
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       To pay Linda Clay for replacement of a void warrant issued November 7, 1994 $77.35
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                To pay confidential payee for claim 93M90481 for replacement
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       of a void payroll warrant issued November 10, 1994
                                                                                     $565.56
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                To pay AT&T for telephone services provided from November
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        2000 to February 2002
                                                                                   $7,978.41
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                To pay Young County-District Attorney,
                                                                    90th District, for
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        attorney's fees for a fraud case August 13, 1999
                                                                                     $280.00
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                To pay Young County-District Attorney, 90th District, for
       attorney's fees for a fraud case January 11, 2001 $280.00

To pay confidential payee for claim 94M00566 for void payroll
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        warrants issued from January 1986 to March 1992
                                                                                 $29,776.42
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                To pay confidential payee for claim 94M00581 for replacement
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\$65.55

of a void warrant issued December 17, 1997

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               To pay BHR Lodging Tenant Company for replacement of a void
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       warrant issued March 16, 2007
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                                                                           $167,323.45
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               To pay confidential payee for claim 94M00716 for replacement
       of a void warrant issued July 21, 1999 $1,298.39

To pay confidential payee for claim 94M00753 for replacement
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                                                                              $1,298.39
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       of a void warrant issued July 2, 2001 $348.54

To pay confidential payee for claim 94M00977 for replacement
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       of a void warrant issued May 7, 2001
                                                                                $576.72
               To pay confidential payee for claim 94M01069 for replacement
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       of a void warrant issued October 2, 2001
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                                                                                $112.00
               To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from
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       March 15, 2006, to November 9, 2006
                                                                             $26,529.00
               To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from
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       November 3, 2006, to July 31, 2007 $14,601.60
To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from December 7, 2006, to August 31, 2007 $12,728.00
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               To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from
       November \bar{1}, 2006, to February 1, 2007
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                                                                             $11,979.64
               To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from
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       March 3, 2007, to August 31, 2007 $10,144.05
To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from
       June 27, 2006, to May 3, 2007 $9,564.39

To pay The Children's Shelter for foster care provided from
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       January 21, 2007, to July 31, 2007
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                                                                              $6,512.00
       To pay the Bexar County Auditor for reimbursement for appointment under Article 11.071, Code of Criminal Procedure, of
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       counsel Robin Norris in case #2004CR1613-W1-Defendant Ramon
       Hernandez May 2006 to August 2007
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       To pay JP Morgan Chase Bank for procurement card purchases for May 2008 to August 2008 for the account ending in "4258" for payment to vendors for goods and services provided for the benefit
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       of children and adults in protective care
                                                                                $391.13
               To pay JP Morgan Chase Bank for procurement card purchases
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       for March 2008 to August 2008 for the account ending in "4324" for
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       payment for goods and services provided for the benefit of children
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       and adults in protective care
                                                                                $964.09
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               To pay confidential payee for claim 94M01169 for replacement
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       of a void payroll warrant issued September 17, 2001
                                                                                $384.79
               To pay confidential payee for claim 94M10076 for replacement
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       of a void warrant issued June 28, 1995
                                                                                $500.00
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               To pay Christopher Patrick Cotter for replacement of a void
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                                                                                $100.00
       warrant issued November 16, 2001
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               To pay confidential payee for claim 94M10209 for replacement
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       of a void payroll warrant issued November 1, 1996
                                                                                $593.20
               SECTION 3. The following sums of money are appropriated out
2-45
       of the State Highway Fund No. 0006 for payment of itemized claims and judgments plus interest, if any, against the State of Texas:
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               To pay Thomas Williams for attorney's fees and court costs
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              interest per judgment Cause No. GN-503758
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       plus
                                                                        in claim No.
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       90T00005
                                                                           $992,555.50
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               To pay City of Corpus Christi 80 percent reimbursement for
2-52
       engineering services provided from September 1, 2006, to August 31,
2-53
       2007
                                                                           $192,680.95
       To pay AT&T for utility adjustment for widening project September 1, 2003, to August 31, 2004 $329,376.20

To pay City of Lewisville for Timber Creek Bike Trail Project
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       October 2003 to August 2004
                                                                              $4,445.14
2-58
               To pay Paline Pipeline Company, a subsidiary of Lion Oil
ny, for utility adjustment on IH-10/Dewitt Road to KCS
2-59
       Company,
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       Railroad February 2006 to June 2006
                                                                           $116,032.06
2-61
               To pay City of Garland for design construction completed
2-62
       February 9, 2001
                                                                              $7,956.00
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               To pay U.S. Customs and Border Protection for replacement
2-64
       warrant issued June 13, 2007
                                                                           $281,659.00
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               To pay Gaston Water Supply Corp for relocation of water line
2-66
       along proposed Loop 571 completed March 12, 1999
                                                                             $27,437.22
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       To pay City of Hurst for engineering services provided from September 1, 2003, to August 31, 2004 $32,452.93
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               To pay American Electric Power for utility adjustment on
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      FM899, Titus County from February 2007 to August 2007
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                                                                  $212,824.88
             To pay City of El Paso for cost incurred on project No.
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      2552-012-035 for December 1, 2006, to August 31, 2007 $168,021.69
To pay Bexar Metropolitan Water District for engineering and
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      inspection services for utility relocation, Loop 410 at Zarzamora
      and Highway 16, San Antonio, February 22, 2006

To pay Florida Gas Transmission Company
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                                                                   $121,656.80
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                                                                 for utility
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      adjustment relocation completed May 2004
                                                                   $116,397.75
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             To pay the County of Dallas Public Works Department for
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      engineering services provided from March 26, 1999, to May
                                                                           16,
      2005
                                                                     $9,700.65
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             To pay the County of Dallas Public
                                                      Works
                                                              Department for
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      engineering services provided from May 26, 1999,
                                                                 to
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      1999
                                                                       $644.93
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      To pay Montgomery County for preliminary engineering study for FM 2978 in Montgomery County from December 30, 2006, through
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      February 28, 2007
                                                                    $17,826.75
             To pay Montgomery County for preliminary engineering study
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      for FM 2978 in Montgomery County from March 1, 2007, through March
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      31, 2007
                                                                    $25,205.05
             To pay Montgomery County for preliminary engineering study
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      for FM 2978 in Montgomery County from April 1, 2007, through April
      21, 2007
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                                                                    $16,182.19
             To pay Montgomery County for preliminary engineering study
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      for FM 2978 in Montgomery County from October 1, 2007, through December 1, 2007 $25,398.62
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             To pay Montgomery County for preliminary engineering study
      for FM 2978 in Montgomery County from December 2, 2007, through
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                                                                     $7,648.80
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      January 26, 2008
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             To pay confidential payee for claim 94M10306 for replacement
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      of a void warrant issued August 1, 1994
                                                                     $2,592.34
             SECTION 4. The following sums of money are appropriated out
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3-33
      of the General Revenue-Vital Statistics Fund Account No. 0019 for
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      payment of itemized claims and judgments plus interest, if any,
      against the State of Texas:
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             To pay J. D. Gaona for replacement of a void warrant issued
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      August 1, 2000
                                                                       $202.05
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             SECTION 5.
                         The following sums of money are appropriated out
3-39
      of the General Revenue-Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Fees
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      Account, No. 0550 for payment of itemized claims and judgments plus
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      interest, if any, against the State of Texas:
3-42
             To pay Weston Solutions, Inc. for engineering and remediation
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      services provided from August 11,
                                                   2006, to
                                                                February
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                                                                   $185,000.00
      2007
             SECTION 6. The following sums of money are appropriated out
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      of the Veterans Land Bond Series 1986 Refunding Fund No. 0571 for payment of itemized claims and judgments plus interest, if any,
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      against the State of Texas:
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             To pay Fannin County Title Company for replacement of a void
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      warrant issued July 21, 1999
                                                                       $237.33
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             SECTION 7. The following sums of money are appropriated out
3-52
      of the General Revenue-Petroleum Storage Tank Remediation Fund
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      Account No. 0655 for payment of itemized claims and judgments plus
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      interest, if any, against the State of Texas:
             To pay Wells Fargo Bank NA Unclaimed Property for replacement
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      of a void warrant issued December 5, 2008
                                                                   $123,774.23
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             SECTION 8. The following sums of money are appropriated out
3-58
      of the Unemployment Compensation Clearance Account No. 0936 for
      payment of itemized claims and judgments plus interest, if any,
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      against the State of Texas:
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             To pay Leila Elias Fanous for replacement of a void surplus
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      tax credit warrant issued October 19, 2001
                                                                        $20.02
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             To pay The Seideman Law Firm for replacement of a void surplus
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      tax credit warrant issued March 19, 2001
                                                                        $26.73
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             To pay The Seideman Law Firm for replacement of a void surplus
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      tax credit warrant issued May 8, 2000
                                                                        $19.24
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             SECTION 9. (a) Before any claim or judgment may be paid
      from money appropriated by this Act, the claim or judgment must be verified and substantiated by the administrator of the special fund
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or account against which the claim or judgment is to be charged and be approved by the attorney general and the comptroller of public accounts. Any claim or judgment itemized in this Act that has not been verified and substantiated by the administrator of the special fund or account and approved by the attorney general and the comptroller by August 31, 2012, may not be paid from money appropriated by this Act.

(b) Each claim or judgment paid from money appropriated by this Act must contain such information as the comptroller of public accounts requires but at a minimum must contain the specific reason for the claim or judgment. If the claim is for a void warrant, the claim must include a specific identification of the goods, services, refunds, or other items for which the warrant was originally issued. In addition, it must include a certification by the original payee or the original payee's successors, heirs, or assigns that the debt is still outstanding. If the claim or judgment is for unpaid goods or services, it must be accompanied by an invoice or other acceptable documentation of the unpaid account and any other information that may be required by the comptroller.

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

SECTION 11. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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