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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 1 (house committee printing) by adding the  
2 following appropriately numbered provision under the Article I  
3 appropriations to the comptroller (page I-18):

4 \_\_\_\_\_. Study to Promote Awareness of Federal Earned Income  
5 Tax Credit. (a) It is the intent of the legislature that the  
6 comptroller of public accounts, using funds appropriated to the  
7 comptroller above, shall conduct a study on promoting awareness of  
8 the federal earned income tax credit. It is the intent of the  
9 legislature that in conducting the study, the comptroller shall:

10 (1) determine the state agencies, offices, or  
11 departments that are best suited to disseminate information  
12 regarding the federal earned income tax credit to the public;

13 (2) develop:

14 (A) strategies for increasing the effectiveness  
15 of programs currently in use to inform the public about the federal  
16 earned income tax credit; and

17 (B) new programs to inform the public about the  
18 federal earned income tax credit and the eligibility requirements  
19 to claim the credit; and

20 (3) meet with and consider the suggestions of taxpayer  
21 advocacy organizations regarding improving awareness of the  
22 federal earned income tax credit.

23 (b) At the comptroller's request, a state agency shall  
24 provide information for and assistance in conducting the study  
25 under this section.

26 (c) Not later than April 1, 2014, the comptroller shall  
27 provide a report containing the results of the study to the  
28 governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of  
29 representatives. The report must specify at least three strategies

1 and programs developed under Subsection (a)(2) of this section that  
2 the comptroller has selected for implementation to increase  
3 awareness of the federal earned income tax credit, subject to  
4 Subsection (d) of this section.

5 (d) Not later than September 1, 2014, the comptroller shall  
6 implement the strategies and programs specified under Subsection  
7 (c) of this section to the extent the comptroller has authority  
8 under general law to implement the strategies and programs.