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

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Amend C.S.S.B. No. 1 (house committee printing) in Article V of the bill (page V-45), following the appropriations to the Department of Public Safety, by adding the following appropriately numbered rider and renumbering subsequent riders accordingly:

\_\_\_ . Plan for Border Security Drawdown. a. Out of funds appropriated above or elsewhere in this bill to the Department of Public Safety for Border Security, the Department of Public Safety shall prepare a plan to reduce the state's border security operations as the federal government increases its activities related to security along the Texas-Mexico border. The plan must include, at a minimum:

1. timelines for reducing or transitioning out of the border region troopers, Texas Rangers, and other personnel associated with border security activities and details regarding other areas of this state to which these personnel may be reassigned;

2. options for phasing out any remaining interagency contracts supplementing current border security operations with Texas National Guard forces;

3. alternate uses across this state for boats and aircraft currently used for border security activities; and

4. the amount of funds associated with the items described by Subdivisions (1)-(3) of this rider and any other appropriation for border security for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2019, that may be reduced or repurposed, with the goal of returning to the funding levels for Secure Texas that existed before Operation Secure Texas.

b. Not later than November 1, 2018, the Department of Public Safety shall submit the plan described by Subsection a of this rider to the Legislative Budget Board, the Office of the Governor, and all standing committees of the Legislature with jurisdiction over border security activities.