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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to comparisons of state budgets made by the Legislative
- 3 Budget Board.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Chapter 322, Government Code, is amended by
- 6 adding Section 322.0082 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 322.0082. BUDGET COMPARISONS. (a) This section
- 8 applies only to a publicly available report or other document
- 9 prepared by the board that compares appropriations made for one
- 10 state fiscal biennium or year with the appropriations made for one
- 11 or more other state fiscal bienniums or years.
- 12 (b) The board in a report or other document to which this
- 13 <u>section applies shall ensure that a consistent accounting</u>
- 14 methodology is used for purposes of the report or document by
- 15 adjusting the reported amount of appropriations made by the
- 16 legislature to a state agency or institution as necessary so that
- 17 the appropriations made for each of the state fiscal bienniums or
- 18 years being compared reflect the approved accounting methodology
- 19 for the latest of the state fiscal bienniums or years being
- 20 compared.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.