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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 8 (house committee printing) as follows:

2 (1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in the appropriation to the
3 comptroller of public accounts for the purpose of depositing money
4 in the unemployment compensation fund (page 1, line 6), strike
5 "\$7,245,419,946" and substitute "\$6,645,419,946".

6 (2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the
7 bill and renumber the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

8 SECTION _____. COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: HERO PAY.

9 (a) The amount of \$600,000,000 is appropriated to the comptroller
10 of public accounts from money received by this state from the
11 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
12 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
13 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
14 Relief Fund No. 325 to be used during the two-year period beginning
15 on the effective date of this Act for the purpose of distributing
16 that money to state agencies to make one-time payments to certain
17 agency employees who have an annual salary of \$75,000 or less and
18 who were employed by the agency and considered essential critical
19 infrastructure workers under 42 U.S.C. Section 802 at any time
20 during the period beginning March 13, 2020, and ending September
21 13, 2021.

22 (b) The comptroller of public accounts shall consult with
23 the Legislative Budget Board and the State Auditor's Office to
24 determine which state employees are eligible to receive one-time
25 payments under Subsection (a) of this section and the amount of the
26 payment to which each employee is entitled. To the extent
27 authorized by other law, the amount of the payment to which a state
28 employee is entitled is determined by multiplying \$2 and the number
29 of hours the employee worked while considered to be a essential

1 critical infrastructure worker under 42 U.S.C. Section 802 during
2 the period beginning March 13, 2020, and ending September 13, 2021,
3 but may not exceed \$8,000.