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H.R. No. 297

R E S O L U T I O N

1 BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE House of Representatives of the State
2 of Texas, that House Rule 13, Section 9, be suspended in part as
3 provided by House Rule 13, Section 9(f) to enable consideration of,
4 and action on, the following specific matters which may be
5 contained in the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 8.

6 A. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
7 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
8 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

9 SECTION 4. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: COVID-19
10 SERVICES. (a) The amount of \$2,000,000,000 is appropriated to the
11 Department of State Health Services from money received by this
12 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
13 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
14 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
15 Relief Fund No. 325 during the period beginning on the effective
16 date of this Act and ending January 1, 2023, for the following
17 purposes related to costs incurred during the period beginning
18 March 3, 2021, and ending January 1, 2023, due to the coronavirus
19 disease pandemic:

20 (1) providing funding for surge staffing at state and
21 local hospitals, long-term care facilities, psychiatric hospitals,
22 and nursing facilities;

23 (2) purchasing therapeutic drugs, including drugs for
24 monoclonal antibody treatments; and

1 (3) providing funding for the operation of regional
2 infusion centers.

3 (b) Notwithstanding Section 13.05, page IX-64, Chapter 1053
4 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the
5 General Appropriations Act), the Department of State Health
6 Services shall expend any Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds
7 freed-up as a result of reimbursements received by the Department
8 of State Health Services from the Federal Emergency Management
9 Agency related to expenditures paid from money appropriated under
10 Subsection (a) of this section only after prior approval of the
11 Legislative Budget Board.

12 B. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
13 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
14 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

15 SECTION 6. DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE: COMPENSATION.

16 (a) The amount of \$359,673,191 is appropriated to the Department of
17 Criminal Justice from money received by this state from the
18 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
19 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
20 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
21 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing compensation for agency
22 employees for the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2021.

23 (b) The Department of Criminal Justice shall:

24 (1) in consultation with the comptroller of public
25 accounts and the Legislative Budget Board, determine the proper
26 allocation of benefits included in the appropriations made under
27 Subsection (a) of this section; and

1 (2) identify the strategies and objectives for which
2 the appropriations made under Subsection (a) of this section are
3 directed.

4 (c) It is the intent of the legislature that the Department
5 of Criminal Justice consider the appropriations as a change in the
6 method of finance of the compensation to be paid to agency employees
7 and not as an increase in total appropriations to the agency.

8 C. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
9 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
10 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

11 SECTION 8. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD: TEXAS
12 CHILD MENTAL HEALTH CARE CONSORTIUM. (a) The amount of
13 \$113,082,887 is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
14 Board from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
15 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
16 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
17 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
18 of supporting the operations and expansion of the Texas Child
19 Mental Health Care Consortium to expand mental health initiatives
20 for children, pregnant women, and women who are up to one year
21 postpartum during the two-year period beginning on the effective
22 date of this Act. At the direction of the Texas Child Mental Health
23 Care Consortium, the Higher Education Coordinating Board shall
24 transfer appropriations through interagency contracts with
25 health-related institutions of higher education for the following
26 purposes:

27 (1) \$20,578,442 for enhancements and expansion of the

1 Child Psychiatry Access Network;

2 (2) \$56,218,976 for enhancements and expansion of the
3 Texas Child Access Through Telemedicine program;

4 (3) \$32,991,791 for expansion of the child and
5 adolescent mental health workforce; and

6 (4) \$3,293,676 for administrative expenses.

7 (b) Not later than December 1, 2021, out of money
8 appropriated by Subsection (a) of this section, the Higher
9 Education Coordinating Board shall transfer \$3,293,676 to an
10 institution of higher education designated by the Texas Child
11 Mental Health Care Consortium for oversight and evaluation of the
12 outlined initiatives by means of interagency agreements or any
13 other necessary contracts.

14 (c) The Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium may
15 transfer up to 10 percent of money appropriated for the purposes
16 described by Subsection (a)(1), (2), or (3) of this section to any
17 of the other purposes described by those provisions. The Texas
18 Child Mental Health Care Consortium may transfer more than 10
19 percent of funds for those purposes only with the prior approval for
20 the transfer and expenditure from the Legislative Budget Board. A
21 request for approval of the transfer and expenditure by the
22 consortium is considered approved unless the Legislative Budget
23 Board issues a written disapproval within 10 business days of the
24 receipt and review of the request by the Legislative Budget Board.

25 (d) Out of money appropriated by Subsection (a) of this
26 section, the Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium may enhance
27 the Child Psychiatry Access Network to improve perinatal mental

1 health services.

2 D. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
3 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
4 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

5 SECTION 10. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD:
6 UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION. (a) Contingent on legislation by the
7 87th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 2021, relating to the
8 issuance of tuition revenue bonds, becoming law, the amount of
9 \$325,000,000 is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
10 Board from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
11 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
12 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
13 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
14 of university construction during the two-year period beginning on
15 the effective date of this Act.

16 (b) If an appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this
17 section for any reason is determined by the United States
18 Department of the Treasury or any other qualified state or federal
19 authority to have been made for an improper use:

20 (1) the appropriated money may not be spent and shall
21 be retained in the treasury and available for later legislative
22 appropriation; and

23 (2) an amount equal to the amount of the appropriation
24 that was determined to have been made for an improper use is
25 appropriated from the general revenue fund to the Higher Education
26 Coordinating Board for the purpose and period described by
27 Subsection (a) of this section.

1 E. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
2 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
3 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

4 SECTION 16. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: RIO
5 GRANDE VALLEY. The amount of \$16,700,000 is appropriated to the
6 Department of State Health Services from money received by this
7 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
8 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
9 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
10 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of upgrading existing
11 laboratory facilities associated with a level 1 trauma facility in
12 Hidalgo County and new laboratory infrastructure in Starr County
13 during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this
14 Act.

15 F. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
16 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
17 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

18 SECTION 25. DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES:
19 CYBERSECURITY PROJECTS. (a) The amount of \$200,000,000 is
20 appropriated to the Department of Information Resources for deposit
21 into the Technology Improvement and Modernization Fund No. 187 and
22 for use during the two-year period beginning on the effective date
23 of this Act for the purpose of cybersecurity projects from money
24 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
25 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
26 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
27 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325. Before spending money

1 appropriated under this subsection, the department must receive
2 approval for the proposed cybersecurity projects from the Joint
3 Oversight Committee on Investment in Information Technology
4 Improvement and Modernization Projects established under Section
5 [2054.578](#), Government Code.

6 (b) The capital budget authority of the Department of
7 Information Resources in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th
8 Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations
9 Act), is increased by \$200,000,000 for the appropriation made under
10 Subsection (a) of this section.

11 G. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (4) to allow the Conference
12 Committee to exceed the amount of an item of appropriation
13 contained in one version of the bill to read as follows:

14 SECTION 31. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: PRESIDIO CUSTOMS
15 INSPECTION STATION. The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated to
16 the Department of Transportation from money received by this state
17 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
18 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
19 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
20 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for a customs
21 inspection station on the South Orient Rail Line in Presidio,
22 Texas, during the two-year period beginning on the effective date
23 of this Act.

24 H. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
25 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
26 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

27 SECTION 32. TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM: TRS-CARE AND

1 TRS-ACTIVECARE. (a) The amount of \$286,337,761 is appropriated to
2 the Teacher Retirement System from money received by this state
3 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
4 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
5 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
6 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding during the
7 two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for
8 coronavirus-related claims in TRS-Care and TRS-ActiveCare.

9 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that premiums for
10 TRS-Care and TRS-ActiveCare insurance policies not increase as a
11 result of coronavirus-related claims.

12 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (b) of this section, it is
13 the intent of the legislature that the premiums for TRS-Care and
14 TRS-ActiveCare programs be calculated and adjusted taking into
15 consideration the money appropriated under this section.

16 I. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
17 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
18 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

19 SECTION 33. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: STAFFING
20 NEEDS. (a) The amount of \$378,300,000 is appropriated to the
21 Health and Human Services Commission from money received by this
22 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
23 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
24 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
25 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding during the
26 two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for the
27 Health and Human Services Commission to administer one-time grants

1 related to providing critical staffing needs resulting from
2 frontline health care workers affected by COVID-19, including
3 recruitment and retention bonuses for staff:

4 (1) of nursing facilities, assisted living
5 facilities, home health agencies, and facilities that serve persons
6 with intellectual or developmental disabilities in an intermediate
7 care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities or
8 related conditions (ICF/IID); or

9 (2) who provide community attendant services.

10 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that the Health and
11 Human Services Commission prioritize grants to grantees that comply
12 with the reporting requirements prescribed by Rider 143 (Health and
13 Human Services Commission), Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th
14 Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations
15 Act), the reporting requirements established by Chapter 588 (S.B.
16 809), Acts of the 87th Legislature, 2021, or equivalent reporting
17 requirements established by the Health and Human Services
18 Commission.

19 (c) Annually, the Health and Human Services Commission
20 shall report to the Legislative Budget Board the grants awarded
21 under this section. The report must include, for the year covered
22 by the report, the amount of grants awarded, the award recipients,
23 and the total amount of each grant used by the recipient. The
24 report must be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board not later
25 than December 1 of the year in which the report is due.

26 (d) Of the amount appropriated under Subsection (a) of this
27 section:

1 (1) \$200,000,000 shall be used only for grants for
2 nursing facilities; and

3 (2) \$178,300,000 shall be used only for grants for
4 assisted living facilities, home health agencies, community
5 attendants, and facilities that serve persons with intellectual or
6 developmental disabilities in an intermediate care facility for
7 individuals with intellectual disabilities or related conditions
8 (ICF/IID).

9 (e) It is the intent of the legislature that the Health and
10 Human Services Commission consider federal COVID-19 relief money
11 received by providers when allocating the money described by
12 Subsection (d)(2) of this section.

13 J. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (4) to allow the Conference
14 Committee to exceed the amount of an item of appropriation
15 contained in one version of the bill to read as follows:

16 SECTION 34. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: FEDERALLY
17 QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER INCUBATOR PROGRAM. The amount of
18 \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of State Health
19 Services from money received by this state from the Coronavirus
20 State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established
21 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and
22 deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for
23 use during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of
24 this Act for the Federally Qualified Health Center Incubator
25 Program.

26 K. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
27 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either

1 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
2 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
3 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
4 of the bill to read as follows:

5 SECTION 35. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: EMERGENCY
6 MEDICAL SERVICES. (a) The amount of \$21,700,000 is appropriated to
7 the Department of State Health Services from money received by this
8 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
9 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
10 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
11 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for
12 emergency medical response service staffing, including:

13 (1) funding for programs to incentivize and increase
14 the number of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and paramedics
15 that provide care on an ambulance, including funding for emergency
16 medical services workforce development initiatives at regional
17 advisory councils; and

18 (2) funding for Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
19 education programs, including distance learning programs, to
20 increase the number of EMTs and paramedics graduating from EMS
21 education programs.

22 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that, consistent
23 with state law, the Department of State Health Services prioritize
24 funding appropriated under Subsection (a) of this section for rural
25 and underserved areas.

26 L. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
27 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either

1 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

2 SECTION 36. PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION AND
3 OUTREACH GRANTS. The amount of \$40,000,000 is appropriated to the
4 Parks and Wildlife Department from money received by this state
5 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
6 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
7 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
8 Fund No. 325 to be used during the two-year period beginning on the
9 effective date of this Act for the purpose of providing funding for
10 grants throughout this state as authorized by other law and
11 consistent with Strategy C.2.1., Outreach and Education, as listed
12 in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular
13 Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations Act).

14 M. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
15 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
16 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
17 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
18 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
19 of the bill to read as follows:

20 SECTION 39. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY: INSTITUTE FOR A DISASTER
21 RESILIENT TEXAS. (a) The amount of \$1,150,000 is appropriated to
22 Texas A&M University - Galveston from money received by this state
23 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
24 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
25 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
26 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding to the Institute
27 for a Disaster Resilient Texas.

1 (b) Out of amounts appropriated by Subsection (a) of this
2 section:

3 (1) \$1,000,000 may be used only for Digital Flood Risk
4 Infrastructure for Underserved Communities; and

5 (2) \$150,000 may be used only for office space in
6 Houston.

7 N. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
8 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
9 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
10 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
11 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
12 of the bill to read as follows:

13 SECTION 40. TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY OF
14 HOUSTON: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENTS. The amount of \$100,000,000
15 is appropriated from money received by this state from the
16 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
17 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
18 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
19 Fund No. 325 for institutional enhancement during the two-year
20 period beginning on the effective date of this Act to the following
21 entities and in the following amounts:

22 (1) \$50,000,000 to Texas Tech University; and

23 (2) \$50,000,000 to the University of Houston.

24 O. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
25 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
26 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
27 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any

1 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
2 of the bill to read as follows:

3 SECTION 41. COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: TEXAS SAFE
4 KEEPING TRUST FUND. (a) The amount of \$100,000,000 is appropriated
5 to the comptroller of public accounts from money received by this
6 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
7 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
8 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
9 Relief Fund No. 325 for immediate deposit to an account or fund to
10 be managed by the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company as
11 trustee for the benefit of the State Preservation Board to maintain
12 the Bob Bullock State History Museum.

13 (b) If an appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this
14 section for any reason is determined by the United States
15 Department of the Treasury or any other qualified state or federal
16 authority to have been made for an improper use:

17 (1) the appropriated money may not be spent and shall
18 be retained in the treasury and available for later legislative
19 appropriation; and

20 (2) an amount equal to the amount of the appropriation
21 that was determined to have been made for an improper use is
22 appropriated from the general revenue fund to the comptroller of
23 public accounts for the purpose described by Subsection (a) of this
24 section.

25 P. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
26 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
27 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,

1 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
2 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
3 of the bill to read as follows:

4 SECTION 42. PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT: TEXAS STATE
5 AQUARIUM CENTER. The amount of \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the
6 Parks and Wildlife Department from money received by this state
7 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
8 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
9 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
10 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding to the Texas State
11 Aquarium Center for wildlife research during the two-year period
12 beginning on the effective date of this Act.

13 Q. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
14 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
15 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
16 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
17 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
18 of the bill to read as follows:

19 SECTION 43. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN: MARINE SCIENCE
20 INSTITUTE HOUSING REPLACEMENT. The amount of \$3,000,000 is
21 appropriated to the University of Texas at Austin from money
22 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
23 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
24 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
25 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing
26 funding for the Marine Science Institute student housing
27 replacement for the two-year period beginning on the effective date

1 of this Act.

2 R. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
3 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
4 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
5 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
6 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
7 of the bill to read as follows:

8 SECTION 44. TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY: PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS.

9 The amount of \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the Texas Education
10 Agency from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
11 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
12 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
13 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
14 of providing funding for the big brothers and big sisters program
15 technological staff enhancements for the two-year period beginning
16 on the effective date of this Act.

17 S. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
18 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
19 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
20 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
21 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
22 of the bill to read as follows:

23 SECTION 45. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN: BRISCOE GARNER

24 MUSEUM. The amount of \$235,000 is appropriated to the University of
25 Texas at Austin from money received by this state from the
26 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
27 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.

1 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
2 Fund No. 325 to the University of Texas at Austin for the Briscoe
3 Garner Museum for the two-year period beginning on the effective
4 date of this Act.

5 T. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
6 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
7 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
8 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
9 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
10 of the bill to read as follows:

11 SECTION 46. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD: RURAL
12 VETERINARIANS GRANT PROGRAM. The amount of \$1,000,000 is
13 appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Board from money
14 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
15 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
16 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
17 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing
18 funding for the rural veterinarians grant program for the two-year
19 period beginning on the effective date of this Act.

20 U. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9b (5) to allow the Conference
21 Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either
22 version of the bill to read as follows; Suspend House Rule 13,
23 Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any
24 matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version
25 of the bill to read as follows:

26 SECTION 47. STATE PRESERVATION BOARD: MAINTENANCE AND
27 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. (a) The amount of \$25,000,000 is

1 appropriated to the State Preservation Board from money received by
2 this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
3 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
4 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
5 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of maintenance and
6 capital improvement projects during the state fiscal biennium
7 beginning September 1, 2021.

8 (b) The capital budget authority of the State Preservation
9 Board in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature,
10 Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations Act), is
11 increased by \$25,000,000 for the appropriation made under
12 Subsection (a) of this section.

13 V. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
14 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
15 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

16 SECTION 48. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES AND HEALTH
17 AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: FEDERAL FUNDS FOR HOSPITALS. It is
18 the intent of the Legislature that the Department of State Health
19 Services and the Health and Human Services Commission, in
20 distributing any money received from the Coronavirus State Fiscal
21 Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
22 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
23 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 distribute the
24 money appropriated by this Act to entities that are subject to the
25 hospital price transparency public disclosure requirements
26 required by 45 C.F.R. Sections 180.10 - 180.60 and, on
27 implementation of rules adopted under the chapter, by Chapter 327,

1 Health and Safety Code.

2 W. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
3 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
4 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

5 SECTION 49. REPORT ON FEDERAL FUNDS BY LEGISLATIVE BUDGET
6 BOARD. (a) The Legislative Budget Board, in consultation with the
7 comptroller of public accounts, shall report on the board's
8 Internet website:

9 (1) for each political subdivision in this state, an
10 informational listing of any money appropriated by this Act and
11 received by the subdivision; and

12 (2) for each state agency and each institution of
13 higher education that receives money appropriated by this Act, an
14 informational listing of the following:

15 (A) the amount of money received by the agency or
16 institution;

17 (B) the federal legislation that authorized
18 distribution of the money to the state, agency, or institution and
19 the state legislation, if applicable, that appropriated the money
20 to the agency or institution;

21 (C) the amount of money spent by the agency or
22 institution;

23 (D) the allowable uses for which the agency or
24 institution may spend money received by the agency or institution
25 and the purposes for which the agency or institution has spent the
26 money;

27 (E) the amount of money received by the agency or

1 institution:

2 (i) that the agency or institution has not
3 spent; and

4 (ii) that the agency or institution may
5 spend without further appropriation; and

6 (F) the time during which money received by the
7 agency or institution was spent by the agency or institution,
8 including the remaining time in which the agency or institution may
9 spend the money without further appropriation.

10 (b) This section does not apply to a hospital licensed under
11 Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, or a hospital owned and
12 operated by this state.

13 (c) It is the intent of the legislature that information
14 required to be provided in a report on the Legislative Budget
15 Board's Internet website under Subsection (a) of this section must
16 be updated not less than once during each fiscal quarter and once on
17 the first day of each fiscal quarter that occurs on or after
18 December 1, 2021, until at least December 1, 2028.

19 X. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
20 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
21 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

22 SECTION 50. LEGISLATIVE INTENT REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS.

23 (a) It is the intent of the legislature that the appropriations
24 made by this Act:

25 (1) are one-time appropriations made for the purpose
26 of addressing the needs of this state for the two-year period
27 beginning on the effective date of this Act; and

1 (2) be used:

2 (A) only for purposes authorized by state and
3 federal law, including guidance issued by the United States
4 Department of the Treasury in 86 Fed. Reg. 26786 (May 17, 2021); and

5 (B) before all other methods of finance, if more
6 than one method of finance is available for the applicable purpose.

7 (b) Except as specifically provided otherwise by this Act,
8 it is the intent of the legislature that, if the United States
9 Department of the Treasury or any other qualified state or federal
10 authority determines that an appropriation made by this Act has
11 been made for an improper use, the appropriated money not be spent
12 and shall be retained in the treasury and available for later
13 legislative appropriation.

14 Y. Suspend House Rule 13, Section 9a (4) to allow the Conference
15 Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either
16 the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

17 SECTION 51. APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. The
18 appropriations made under Sections 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13,
19 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,
20 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, and 47 of this
21 Act using money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
22 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
23 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) are made in
24 accordance with 42 U.S.C. Section 802(c)(1)(C), which allows money
25 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund to be used to
26 provide government services to the extent of a reduction in the
27 revenue of a state government caused by the COVID-19 public health

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1 emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full
2 fiscal year of the state government that ended before that
3 emergency.