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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY: Bell of Montgomery

Amend CSSB 1 (house committee printing) as follows:

- (1) In Article VI of the bill, in the bill pattern for the Department of Agriculture, add the following rider on page VI-10:

_____. **Feral Hog Abatement Contingency.** Contingent on the Department of Agriculture issuing guidelines concerning the use of Warfarin that includes prohibiting use of this product within one mile of a river; restricting application only by licensed applicators; requiring reporting of bait location and outcome results by applicators to the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service; communicating that an applicator may lose their license if they do not comply with these guidelines; and communicating that a landowner that fails to comply with these guidelines may be prohibited from participating in the program:

- a. Rider 21, Appropriation Restriction on Feral Hog Abatement Using Toxic Substances, has no effect.
- b. Reduce the appropriations for Strategy B.2.1, Regulate Pesticide Use, by \$250,000 each fiscal year.
- c. Amend Rider 25, Boll Weevil Eradication as follows:

Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy B.2.1, Regulate Pesticide Use, include ~~\$4,845,697~~\$4,595,697 each fiscal year to be transferred to the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation for efforts to eradicate the boll weevil. The Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation is required to provide a report each fiscal year to the Legislative Budget Board that provides details on the uses of the General Revenue transferred each year; the total number of cotton acres treated using funding from the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation; information on all local matching funds and federal funds received by the foundation; and total cotton bail production in the State of Texas.

- (2) In Article III of the bill, in the bill pattern for the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service on page III-225, add the following rider:

_____. **Feral Hog Abatement Contingency.** Contingent on the Department of Agriculture issuing guidelines concerning the use of Warfarin that includes prohibiting use of this product within one mile of a river; restricting application only by licensed applicators; requiring reporting of bait location and outcome results by applicators to the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service; communicating that an applicator may lose their license if they do not comply with these guidelines; and communicating that a landowner that fails to comply with these guidelines may be prohibited from participating in the program, General Revenue in Strategy D.1.1. Wildlife Management is increased by \$250,000 each fiscal year in addition to the amounts appropriated above.