

## **Suspending limitations on the conference committee jurisdiction for S.B. 1**

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S.R. 634

### **R E S O L U T I O N**

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE Senate of the State of Texas, that Senate Rule 12.03 and 12.04, be suspended in part as provided by Senate Rule 12.08 to enable consideration of, and action on, the following specific matters which may be contained in the Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill 1.

#### **1. Format Changes**

For each agency and institution of higher education, the Conference Committee Report moves the informational item entitled “Supplemental Appropriations Made in Riders” from immediately following the “Schedule of Exempt Positions” to immediately after the grand total of all appropriations made in strategies.

For each general academic institution, service agency, health center, health science center, technical college and system office, the Conference Committee report combines all strategy appropriations into one single appropriation with the individual strategies shown, for information purposes only, as the first rider in the bill pattern. This format change does not affect any amounts of appropriations or any methods of financing for any appropriations.

ARTICLE I

I. COMMISSION ON THE ARTS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 19,738,573	\$ 16,838,573

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.4. Strategy: DIRECT ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS	\$ 791,030	\$ 791,030

II. OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 211,515,860	\$ 210,105,391

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
GR Dedicated - Compensation to Victims of Crime Account No. 469	\$ 58,060,162	\$ 58,564,688

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):	4,270.0	4,270.0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.1. Strategy: CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION Review Claims, Determine Eligibility/State Liability, Pay Correctly.	\$ 92,080,077	\$ 93,789,737

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.2. Strategy: VICTIMS ASSISTANCE Provide Grants & Contrcts for Victims Svcs/Sexual Asslt Victims.	\$ 50,969,867	\$ 47,187,997

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Victims Assistance Grants.** Funds appropriated above in C.1.2, Victims Assistance, shall be spent as follows:

Program:	2026	2027
(1) Victims Assistance Coordinators and Victims Liaisons	\$2,441,509	\$2,458,116
(2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program	28,826,323	27,976,825
(3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants	3,024,468	3,024,468
(4) Legal Services Grants	2,500,000	2,500,000

(5) Other Victims Assistance Grants	10,952,664	11,022,207
(6) Statewide Victim Notification System	3,044,471	0
(7) Address Confidentiality	180,432	206,381
Total	\$50,969,867	\$47,187,997
<u>Method of Financing:</u>		
General Revenue	\$30,810,083	\$28,028,215
<u>General Revenue - Dedicated</u>		
Victims of Crime Auxiliary Fund No. 0494	\$180,432	\$180,432
Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010	\$16,766,968	\$15,766,966
Subtotal, General Revenue - Dedicated	<u>\$16,947,400</u>	<u>\$15,947,398</u>
Federal Funds	\$3,212,384	\$3,212,384
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$50,969,867</u>	<u>\$47,187,997</u>

The Office of the Attorney General shall adopt rules for the competitive allocation of funds under item number (5) Other Victims Assistance Grants.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Office of the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$38,569,602 for rape crisis centers to provide the minimum services as statutorily required by Government Code, Section 420.008(c)(1) to adult survivors of stranger and non-stranger sexual assault. This amount includes \$6,850,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,850,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010. Of this amount, \$9,000,000 shall be prioritized for the purposes of addressing current and projected waitlists for counseling of adult sexual assault survivors and sexual assault advocacy services at rape crisis centers. For the purposes of this rider, “rape crisis center” shall have the same meaning as “sexual assault program” in Government Code, Section 420.003 (7). In accordance with Texas statute, rape crisis centers remain eligible to apply for victim assistance funds in addition to the funds listed in program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$1,377,017 in fiscal year 2026 and \$377,017 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010 for the sexual assault nurse examiner program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$3,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 to rape crisis centers for a program that provides dedicated funding to support the unique challenges of rural and border counties including, but not limited to, support for satellite offices, co-location efforts, transportation costs, technology assistance and workforce challenges.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants is \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 for the sexual assault services program grant recipient to implement a centralized training, technical assistance and evaluation program for rape crisis centers across the state.

It is the intent of the Legislature that \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2027 appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General be used to fund domestic violence high risk teams.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

None of the funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, may be expended on grants to organizations that make contributions to campaigns for elective office or that endorse candidates.

The Office of the Attorney General shall notify the Legislative Budget Board, Governor and Comptroller at least 30 calendar days prior to the start of a new fiscal year if the revenue sources listed above are insufficient to provide the full appropriations to rape crisis centers or sexual assault nurse examiners program as indicated in this rider for the upcoming fiscal year.

Within 100 calendar days after the close of each fiscal year, the Office of the Attorney General shall submit a report detailing the expenditure of funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance. The report shall include information on the guidelines used to select programs that receive grants, the amount of grants awarded in each of the categories listed above, the amount of expenditures for administration, and audit and oversight activities conducted relating to the victims assistance grants and the programs receiving such grants. The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee.

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Child Support Enforcement Salary Limitation.**

- (a) The maximum amount the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) may expend in Strategy B.1.1, Child Support Enforcement, for salary increases in and promotions to classified positions during a fiscal year may not exceed, without the written approval of the Legislative Budget Board (LBB), the amount computed by multiplying the total amount spent by the agency in the same strategy in the preceding fiscal year for classified salaries times 2.0 percent.
- (b) The maximum amount that may be spent for salary increases in and promotions to classified positions shall be computed separately for each fiscal year. Salary increases and promotions awarded in the first fiscal year of a biennium do not count against the maximum amount that may be spent for those increases in the second fiscal year of that biennium.
- (c) Money spent to pay a salary increase for an employee who is promoted to a classified position title counts against the limitation prescribed by this rider only if, as a result of the promotion, the number of agency employees in that position title exceeds the maximum number of agency employees who have been in that position title at any time during the preceding six-month period.
- (d) A request to exceed the limitation prescribed by this rider must be submitted by the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee and must include at least:
  - (1) the date on which the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee approved the request;
  - (2) a statement justifying the need to exceed the limitation; and
  - (3) the source of funds to be used to pay the salary increases.
- (e) The request shall be considered approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, the Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, the Speaker of the House, and the Lieutenant Governor.
- (f) The comptroller shall prescribe accounting and reporting procedures necessary to ensure that the amount spent for salary increases and promotions does not exceed the limitations established by this rider.
- (g) Salary increases appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Child Support Enforcement, and made in Article IX of this Act shall be excluded from computations made to determine the applicability of the approval requirements specified in this rider.

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Use of Asset Forfeiture Proceeds.** The Office of the Attorney General shall provide the Legislative Budget Board, the Senate Finance Committee, and House Appropriations Committee with a report quarterly within 30 calendar days after the end of each fiscal quarter of the 2026-27 biennium detailing amounts the agency received from state and federal asset forfeitures and amounts of these funds expended. The report shall also include the amounts expended from the General Revenue Fund for the Criminal Investigations Division.

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Contingency for SB \_\_\_\_.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill \_\_\_\_, or similar legislation

relating to compensation to victims of family violence, by the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, the Office of the Attorney General is appropriated in Strategy C.1.1, Crime Victims Compensation, \$3,885,172 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,777,437 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Compensation to Victims of Crime Account No. 469, and shall use 3.0 full-time-equivalent positions (FTEs) for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium, for no purpose other than to implement the provisions of the legislation. Both the appropriated money and the FTEs are included in the amounts shown above.

III. COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 381,135,039	\$ 380,104,854

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> TAX LAWS COMPLIANCE	\$ 55,241,136	\$ 54,957,216
Improve Compliance with Tax Laws through Contact & Collection Program.		

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.4.1. Strategy:</b> TAX HEARINGS	\$ 13,993,435	\$ 13,993,434
Provide Tax Hearings/Represent the Agency/Provide Legal Counsel.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.4.1. Strategy:</b> PROCUREMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 7,895,904	\$ 7,895,903
Provide Statewide Procurement and Support Services.		

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> REVENUE & TAX PROCESSING	\$ 53,521,963	\$ 53,475,391
Improve Tax/Voucher Data Processing, Tax Collection & Disbursements.		

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Advanced Tax Compliance and Debt Collections.** To the extent that the Comptroller contracts with persons or entities to provide information, services, or technology or expands and/or enhances the technology to aid in the advanced collections of debts, taxes, or other property due to or belonging to the State of Texas pursuant to Government Code, §403.019 or §403.0195 or Tax Code, §111.0035 or §111.0036, all sums necessary to pay contract, maintenance, and other expenses connected with the collections, including any administrative costs of the Comptroller directly associated with the collections program, are hereby appropriated to the Comptroller from collection proceeds. The balance of collection proceeds shall be transferred to the General Revenue Fund or to any dedicated or special funds or accounts to which the collection proceeds may belong.

Consistent with the Comptroller's role as the chief fiscal officer and tax collector for the state, all resulting collections and associated expenses shall be accounted for through the fiscal agency operations of the Comptroller's Office in a manner which reflects both the amounts of enhanced collections as well as the amount of expenses related to the increased deposits.

IV. FISCAL PROGRAMS - COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Report on Cost of Ad Valorem Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans.

- (a) Out of funds appropriated above, the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall conduct a study to determine the amount of ad valorem tax revenue that each county containing a United States military installation, each county adjacent to a county containing a United States military installation, and each municipality located in either type of those counties lost for the 2025 ad valorem tax year as the result of the granting of the exemption from ad valorem taxation required by Tax Code, Sections 11.131, 11.132, and 11.22, calculated by multiplying the ad valorem tax rate adopted by the county or municipality, as applicable, for the 2025 ad valorem tax year by the total appraised value of all property located in the county or municipality, as applicable, that was granted the exemption for that tax year.
- (b) The Comptroller shall prepare a report that states the amount of ad valorem tax revenue calculated under Subsection (a) of this section that was lost by:
  - (1) each municipality listed by name;
  - (2) each county listed by name; and
  - (3) all municipalities and counties in this state in the aggregate.
- (c) Not later than December 1, 2026, the Comptroller shall submit the report to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Lieutenant Governor, and each member of the Legislature.

V. INFORMATIONAL LISTING OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE COMPTROLLER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY AND BRP

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Informational Listing of Appropriated Funds.** The appropriations made in this and other articles of this Act to the Comptroller of Public Accounts - Social Security/Benefit Replacement Pay are subject to the following provisions. The following amounts shall be used for the purposes indicated.

	For the Years Ending	
	August 31, 2026	August 31, 2027
<b>Method of Financing:</b>		
General Revenue, estimated	\$ 1,033,816,575	\$ 1,065,957,143
General Revenue-Dedicated, estimated	110,046,900	114,055,969
Federal Funds, estimated	144,572,458	145,841,621
<u>Other Funds</u>		
Other Special State Funds, estimated	23,159,840	23,535,880
State Highway Fund No. 006, estimated	79,124,289	79,749,159
Subtotal, Other Funds	<u>102,284,129</u>	<u>103,285,039</u>
<b>Total, Method of Financing</b>	<u>\$1,390,720,062</u>	<u>\$1,429,139,772</u>
<b>A. Goal: Social Security/Benefit Replacement</b>		
Comptroller - Social Security		
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> State Match - Employer		
State Match - Employer. Estimated.	\$1,388,698,900	\$1,427,496,566
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> Benefit Replacement Pay		
Benefit Replacement Pay. Estimated.	2,021,162	1,643,206
<b>Total, Goal A: Social Security/Benefit Replacement</b>	<u>\$1,390,720,062</u>	<u>\$1,429,139,772</u>

<b>Grand Total, SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY</b>	<b><u>\$1,390,720,062</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,429,139,772</u></b>
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**VI. TEXAS EMERGENCY SERVICES RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
 Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 995,160	\$ 995,261

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> ADMINISTER PENSION FUND	\$ 2,136,966	\$ 2,137,067
Administer a Pension Fund for Emergency Services Personnel.		

**VII. EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
 Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 13,750,000	\$ 13,750,000

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
 Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
State Highway Fund No. 006	\$ 0	\$ 0

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> LEGACY PAYMENTS	\$ 0	\$ 0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Informational Listing of Appropriated Funds.** The appropriations made in this and other articles of this Act to the Employees Retirement System are subject to the following provisions. The following amounts shall be used for the purposes indicated.

	For the Years Ending	
	August 31, <u>2026</u>	August 31, <u>2027</u>
<b>Method of Financing:</b>		
General Revenue Fund, estimated	\$ 2,264,735,890	\$ 2,461,385,756
General Revenue-Dedicated Accounts, estimated	177,903,483	191,996,812
Federal Funds, estimated	558,655,265	600,508,911
<u>Other Funds</u>		
State Highway Fund No. 006, estimated	\$ 343,401,368	\$ 371,310,181
Judicial Fund No. 573, estimated	4,181,582	4,181,582
Other Special State Funds, estimated	51,341,221	55,476,346
Subtotal, Other Funds	<u>398,924,171</u>	<u>430,968,109</u>

<b>Total, Method of Financing</b>	<b>\$ 3,400,218,809</b>	<b>\$ 3,684,859,588</b>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	<b>470.0</b>	<b>475.0</b>
<b>Schedule of Exempt Positions:</b>		
Executive Director	\$ 475,000	\$ 550,000
Director of Investments	520,000	575,000
<b>A. Goal: ADMINISTER RETIREMENT PROGRAM</b> Administer Comprehensive and Actuarially Sound Retirement Programs.		
<b>A.1.1. Strategy: ERS RETIREMENT PROGRAM</b> Provide Retirement Program for Employees and Retirees. Estimated.	\$ 946,746,981	\$ 964,370,125
<b>A.1.2. Strategy: LECOS RETIREMENT PROGRAM</b> Provide Retirement Program for Law Enf and Corr Officers. Estimated.	44,657,435	44,734,490
<b>A.1.3. Strategy: JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM - PLAN 2</b> Provide Retirement Program for State Judicial Officers. Estimated.	18,274,467	18,274,467
<b>A.1.4. Strategy: JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM - PLAN 1</b> Provide Payment of JRS-1 Benefits as Required by Law. Estimated.	16,593,585	16,593,585
<b>A.1.5. Strategy: PUBLIC SAFETY DEATH BENEFITS</b> Provide Benefits to Beneficiaries of Public Safety Workers. Estimated.	45,150,832	54,150,832
<b>A.1.6. Strategy: RETIREE DEATH BENEFITS</b> Provide Lump-sum Retiree Death Benefits. Estimated.	13,750,000	13,750,000
<b>A.1.7. Strategy: LEGACY PAYMENTS</b> Provide Legacy Payments.	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total, Goal A: ADMINISTER RETIREMENT PROGRAM</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,173,300</b>	<b>\$ 1,111,873,499</b>
<b>B. Goal: ADMINISTER GROUP BENEFITS PROGRAM</b> Provide Employees and Retirees with Quality Group Benefits.		
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: GROUP BENEFITS PROGRAM</b> Provide Basic Insurance Program to General State Employees. Estimated.	\$ 2,243,529,389	\$ 2,494,512,881
<b>B.1.2. Strategy: PROBATION HEALTH INSURANCE</b> Insurance Contributions for Local CSCD Employees. Estimated.	<u>71,516,120</u>	<u>78,473,208</u>
<b>Total, Goal B: ADMINISTER GROUP BENEFITS PROGRAM</b>	<b>\$ 2,315,045,509</b>	<b>\$ 2,572,986,089</b>
<b>Grand Total, EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,400,218,809</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 3,684,859,588</u></b>

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**State Contribution to Employees Retirement Program.** The amount specified above in A.1.1, ERS Retirement Program, is based on a state contribution of 9.5 percent of payroll for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium, including annual membership fees of \$3 for contributing members for each fiscal year. Included in appropriations made in this Act is a total of \$946,746,981 in fiscal year 2026 and \$964,370,125 in fiscal year 2027 for the ERS Retirement Program.



VIII. TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,972,671	\$ 3,918,866

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 5	\$ 163,221	\$ 163,221

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Counsel	\$ 154,080	\$ 154,080

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL	\$ 853,528	\$ 802,801
Perform All Legal and Regulatory Functions of the Agency.		

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 591,295	\$ 537,796

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 1,576,038	\$ 1,284,289

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Vendor Support for Electronic Filing & Disclosure Database Systems	\$ 447,890	\$ 447,890
(2) Enhancements to Electronic Filing System	<u>137,500</u>	<u>137,500</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 585,390	\$ 585,390
b. Legacy Modernization		
(1) Managed Cloud Services for TEC Electronic Filing System	<u>\$ 247,000</u>	<u>\$ UB</u>
Total, Capital Budget	<u><u>\$ 832,390</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 585,390</u></u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
General Revenue Fund	<u>\$ 832,390</u>	<u>\$ 585,390</u>
Total, Method of Financing	<u><u>\$ 832,390</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 585,390</u></u>

IX. FACILITIES COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 96,499,695	\$ 81,930,102

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> FACILITIES PLANNING	\$ 2,783,597	\$ 2,455,045
Ensure State Optimizes Use of Leased/Purchased/Constructed Off Space.		

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> FACILITIES DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION	\$ 17,607,037	\$ 9,830,453
Ensure Facilities Are Designed & Built Timely/Cost Eff/High Quality.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 8,419,806	\$ 8,508,931

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Construction of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Capital Complex Phase 1 (Construction)	\$ UB	\$ UB
(2) Capital Complex Phase 2	UB	UB
(3) Guadalupe County Medical Facility	UB	UB
(4) Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center	UB	UB
(5) TSLAC Records and Archive Facility	UB	UB
(6) Brazoria County Law Enforcement Center	<u>8,000,000</u>	<u>UB</u>
Total, Construction of Buildings and Facilities	\$ 8,000,000	\$ UB
b. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Deferred Maintenance	\$ UB	\$ UB
(2) Lyndon Baines Johnson Building Renovation	UB	UB
(3) Maintenance and Renewal Program - Renewal Construction	121,399,509 & UB	UB
(4) Federal Surplus Property Facilities Renovation and Support	440,000	UB
(5) Workplace Optimization	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>
Total Repair or Rehabilitation of Building and Facilities	\$ 123,339,509	\$ 1,500,000
c. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1) Facilities Operations Capital Equipment and Other Items	\$ 3,985,141	\$ UB
(2) Secure Workplace Environment	<u>1,968,439</u>	<u>441,560</u>

Total, Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items	\$	5,953,580	\$	441,560
d. Data Center/Shared Technology Services				
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$	859,982	\$	689,069
e. Cybersecurity				
(1) Cybersecurity Services	\$	<u>723,644</u>	\$	<u>725,644</u>
Total, Capital Budget	\$	<u>138,876,715</u>	\$	<u>3,356,273</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):				
General Revenue Fund	\$	16,801,992	\$	3,121,059
<u>General Revenue Fund - Dedicated</u>				
Federal Surplus Property Service Charge Fund				
Account No. 570	\$	447,847	\$	7,847
Deferred Maintenance Account No. 5166		<u>121,399,509</u>		<u>UB</u>
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund - Dedicated	\$	121,847,356	\$	7,847
<u>Other Funds</u>				
Appropriated Receipts	\$	109,258	\$	109,258
Interagency Contracts		<u>118,109</u>		<u>118,109</u>
Subtotal, Other Funds	\$	<u>227,367</u>	\$	<u>227,367</u>
Total, Method of Financing	\$	<u>138,876,715</u>	\$	<u>3,356,273</u>

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Capital Construction on Behalf of State Agencies.** Any capital items related to construction of buildings and facilities, including minor construction on behalf of other state agencies provided by the Facilities Commission, do not apply to the Commission for the purpose of the capital budget rider limitations specified in Article IX, Sec. 14.03, Transfers - Capital Budget, of the General Provisions of this Act. The state agency requesting construction of building and facilities including minor construction must have the requisite capital budget authority to support its request.

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Workspace Optimization.** It is the intent of the legislature that the Texas Facilities Commission prioritize the regular occupation of state-owned buildings and the retirement of leased office space where appropriate. In the event a tenant of a state-owned office building under the commission’s purview has implemented a policy which allows for its employees to work outside its assigned office space, the Commission may make adjustments to the tenant agency’s space allocation, pursuant to rules established under Government Code, Section 2165.104. The Commission may consider a tenant agency’s policies concerning alternative work site arrangements for agency employees when adopting space allocation rules under Government Code, Section 2165.104 and when making a determination under Government Code, Section 2165.105. A study conducted under Government Code, Section 2165.104(a) may include follow-up reviews of space allocated to tenant agencies to ensure maximized utilization of state-owned office space. If a tenant agency is found to not utilize at least fifty percent of its allocated space the majority of the work week, the commission may deem the space underutilized and consolidate a tenant agency’s space allocations to shared space under Government Code, Section 2165.106.

Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, Facilities Planning, is \$1,950,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium to be used solely for the purpose of optimizing the use of state owned and leased office space as specified in this rider. Also included in the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)” are 5.0 FTEs in each fiscal year for this purpose.

The Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) shall provide to the Legislative Budget Board a report detailing cost savings that resulted from workplace optimization activities undertaken under the provisions of this rider by December 1 in each fiscal year of the biennium.

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Brazoria County Law Enforcement Center.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Facilities Commission is \$8,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy A.2.1, Facilities Design and Construction, for fiscal year 2026 for the construction of a consolidated law enforcement center with the Brazoria County Sheriff’s Office. It is the intent of the Legislature that the facility be named in honor of E.J. “Joe” King. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Border Wall Maintenance.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Facilities Commission is \$1,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.2.1, Facilities Operations, to contract with the Texas Department of Transportation, for the purpose of maintaining structures and facilities constructed by the agency directly related to the Texas-Mexico border wall. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article IX, Section 14.01, Appropriations Transfers, funds appropriated for this purpose may not be used for any other purpose.

The agency shall provide a report of these maintenance activities, including details on expenditures and encumbrances, to the Legislative Budget Board no later than January 1, 2026 and every quarter thereafter.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances of the appropriation identified in this rider remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

X. PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
TPFA Series B Master Lease Project Fund	\$ 476,388	\$ 528,100

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Bond Proceeds - Revenue Bonds	\$ 630,949	\$ 670,728

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.1. Strategy: ANALYZE FINANCINGS AND ISSUE DEBT	\$ 1,190,608	\$ 1,236,171
Analyze Agency Financing Applications and Issue Debt Cost Effectively.		& UB

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.2.1. Strategy: MANAGE BOND PROCEEDS	\$ 1,200,103	\$ 1,246,031
Manage Bond Proceeds and Monitor Covenants to Ensure Compliance.		& UB

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation and Transfer Authority for Revenue Commercial Paper Programs: Payments and Administrative Fees.** The Texas Public Finance Authority is appropriated balances held in and

revenue accruing to the General Revenue - Dedicated State Lease Fund Account No. 0507 and the interest and sinking funds associated with the Texas Public Finance Authority revenue commercial paper programs for the purpose of making debt service and other payments in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and covenants pertaining to the respective revenue commercial paper programs. Included in amounts appropriated above is \$630,949 in fiscal year 2026 and \$670,728 in fiscal year 2027 out of Revenue Bond Proceeds for the administration of the revenue commercial paper programs. In addition, revenues accruing to the Texas Public Finance Authority revenue commercial paper program funds, including costs of issuance funds, in excess of Revenue Bond Proceeds and Master Lease Project Fund included in amounts appropriated above are appropriated to the Texas Public Finance Authority for the purpose of administering the revenue commercial paper programs. The Texas Public Finance Authority shall notify the Legislative Budget Board at least 30 calendar days prior to implementing salary increases from Revenue Bond Proceeds and Master Lease Project Funds in excess of amounts appropriated above and identified in this rider. Each notification shall include the previous salary, new salary, and show the incremental change in salary amount by method of finance for each applicable position. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

The Texas Public Finance Authority is hereby authorized to transfer each agency's share of administrative fees and lease payments pursuant to the respective revenue commercial paper program from each agency's appropriations made elsewhere in this Act to the Texas Public Finance Authority revenue commercial paper program cost of issuance fund(s) and the General Revenue - Dedicated State Lease Fund Account No. 0507, respectively. Such transfers shall not be made earlier than fifteen calendar days prior to the date that the debt service payment is required. The Texas Public Finance Authority may transfer funds necessary for revenue commercial paper debt service payments from the General Revenue - Dedicated State Lease Fund Account No. 0507 to the respective Texas Public Finance Authority revenue commercial paper program's interest and sinking fund(s).

For the purpose of this provision, the Texas Public Finance Authority revenue commercial paper programs include: the Master Lease Purchase Program; the Texas Facilities Commission Revenue Commercial Paper Program; and any revenue financing authorized by the Eighty-ninth Legislature.

**XI. TRUSTEED PROGRAMS WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 304,578,191	\$ 169,822,505

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR for Border Security	\$ 138,863,938	\$ 89,600,000

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director (OSFR), Group 4	\$ 171,688	\$ 171,688

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy: DISASTER FUNDS</b>	\$ 86,226,668	\$ 86,022,317
Provide Disaster Funding.		

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: CRIMINAL JUSTICE</b>	\$ 388,530,058	\$ 282,235,363
Provide Money and Research and Promote Programs for Criminal Justice.		

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the amount of an item of appropriation contained in one version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.1. Strategy: PROMOTE TEXAS**  
Enhance the Economic Growth and Tourism of Texas.

	2026	2027
\$	158,061,724	\$ 151,826,252

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Administration: Foreign Offices.**

- a. In accordance with Government Code, Section 481.027, foreign offices may be operated in Mexico and in other foreign markets including Canada, Israel, Europe, the Pacific Rim, and Latin America coinciding with market opportunities for Texas business. Foreign office trade investment and tourism development efforts, as well as location of the offices, shall be based on analysis of the current world market opportunities. The Office of the Governor shall expend funds for the Mexico offices and any office in Taiwan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and Jerusalem, Israel out of any funds available, but shall not expend any funds appropriated under this Act for any office or staff at any other foreign offices established by the Office of the Governor.
- b. The Office of the Governor shall maintain a tracking system that documents the direct benefits that result from the operation of each foreign office. The Office of the Governor shall utilize the tracking system to file an annual report with the Legislative Budget Board regarding the activities of each office. The report shall contain, at a minimum, information detailing the number of contacts with foreign and domestic businesses, the name of each business, the nature of the contact, the results of each contact, and expenditures by each office. The report shall also contain the name of each Texas community assisted and information regarding the nature and results of the assistance. The report shall be submitted within 60 calendar days of the end of each fiscal year and must be accompanied by supporting documentation as specified by the Legislative Budget Board.
- c. Included in amounts appropriated above in C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$700,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to support an economic development office in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
- d. Also included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$700,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to support an economic development office in Jerusalem, Israel.

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Nonprofit Security Grant Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security, is \$3,500,000 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of supplementing the existing federal Nonprofit Security Program, housed under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the purpose of providing grants for facility hardening and other physical security enhancements of nonprofit organizations against terrorist and other violent attacks.

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Economic Development and Tourism.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$309,887,976 in All Funds to support and promote the economic development of Texas.

This amount includes \$63,758,055 in fiscal year 2026 and \$63,758,055 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Hotel Occupancy Tax Deposits Account No. 5003 to be used for tourism promotion activities in the 2026-27 biennium.

This amount also includes \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Micro-Business Disaster Recovery Account No. 5190 to fund the Micro-Business Disaster Recovery program to assist certain micro-businesses through capital access loans, in accordance with Government Code, Chapter 481, Subchapter CC.

This amount also includes \$1,800,000 in from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for administrative costs associated with the Texas Small and Rural Community Success Fund Program, in accordance with Government Code, Chapter 489, Subchapter E.

This amount also includes \$200,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to provide one-to-one matching grants to eligible non-profit organizations to promote border economic development,

including out-of-state business recruitment, the promotion of economic development, and strategic regional planning. An eligible non-profit organization should (1) be a binational economic development and policy advocacy organization along the US-Mexico border, (2) be chartered as a 501(c)(6) with a separate foundation operating as a 501(c)(3), and (3) be located in a municipality that borders Mexico and another U.S. State. Eligible grant recipients shall receive a grant award equal to the amount committed by the non-profit organization dedicated for the same specific purpose, which shall not include in-kind contributions. Grant recipients shall not expend grant funds on salaries or expenses related to office space. Grant recipients shall not expend grant funds for recruitment and promotion activities that result in a business relocation to a community outside the state of Texas. A grantee shall provide to the Office of the Governor a report on the use of funds awarded and the number of out-of-state businesses relocated to Texas, number of jobs created or moved to Texas, and the total amount of new investment brought to Texas resulting from the grant award.

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Additional Public Safety Through Improved Technology.** It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants for the Texas Anti-Gang Centers to acquire technology to provide actionable intelligence to local and state law enforcement for purposes including correctional security, homeland security, and violent crimes prevention. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$60,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund for this purpose. Of this amount \$20,000,000 is designated for jails contiguous to Texas Anti-Gang counties with known large gang populations and \$40,000,000 is designated for prisons in counties along the Texas-Mexico border or high-contraband prison units. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Statewide Crime Victim Notification.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor in Strategy B.1.1. Criminal Justice, is \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to fund grants pursuant to Government Code, Section 772.0079 and \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to operate a statewide crime victims notification system pursuant to Article I, Section 30 of the Texas Constitution. It is the intent of the legislature that such a system:

- a. provide information to crime victims from the reporting of a crime to the conviction and sentencing of a perpetrator;
- b. provide information to victims regarding imprisonment and release of inmates from county correctional custody;
- c. refrain from selling, and otherwise protect, victim data; and
- d. interface with the victims notification system operated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for inmates who are transferred into state correctional custody.

No later than December 31, 2025, the Office of the Attorney General and the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor shall enter into an agreement for the transition of the existing Statewide Victim Notification System to the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor. Such a transition shall conclude no later than September 1, 2026.

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Reimbursement for Eagle Pass Border Operations.** It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor reimburse the City of Eagle Pass for expenses incurred due to the use of Shelby Park for border security operations. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Disaster Funds, is \$1,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 for this purpose.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Project Safe Neighborhood Grant Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to provide grants to local governments, nonprofit organizations, and community-based partnerships for the purpose of supporting effective and evidence-based violence reduction initiatives.

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Federal Victims of Crime Funding Shortfall.** Included in the amounts appropriated above, and in House Bill 500, enacted by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$177,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of addressing projected shortfalls in federal Victims of Crime Act funding and to negate any impact on the provision of grants for crime victims services. It is the intent of the legislature that grants made for victims of crime during the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025, and the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, equal grants made for victims of crime during the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024.

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Federal Funding Alert.** It is the intent of the legislature that constituent services be affected as little as possible in the event federal funding is interrupted to the state. The Office of the Governor shall notify the members and staff of the Legislative Budget Board as soon as practical, but no longer than 14 calendar days after, if federal funds for Victims of Crime Act or Nonprofit Security Grants are interrupted by federal action not authorized by an act of Congress. For the purposes of this subsection, interruption means the discontinuation of a funding source that had been received by the state for the previous calendar year or longer.

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Alcohol Tourism Development Study.** The Office of the Governor Trusteed Program shall conduct a study on the economic benefits of tourism from the Texas alcohol industry in this state in coordination with the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Texas Wine Marketing Assistance Program established under the Alcoholic Beverage Code, Section 110.002. The study shall include:

- a. The amount of visitors to Texas wineries, breweries and distilleries;
- b. How other states promote alcohol tourism in their states and the economic benefit from such promotion; and
- c. the feasibility of establishing a Texas Alcohol Tourism Development Program to promote alcohol tourism in Texas.

The Office of the Governor Trusteed Program shall prepare and submit to the Legislature not later than October 1, 2026, an electronic written report containing the findings of the study and other information the Legislature may find useful in promoting tourism to Texas wineries, distilleries and breweries.

Q. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Memorial for the Collins Family.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$1,600,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for the purpose of constructing a memorial honoring the five members of the Collins family who were murdered in Centerville, Texas, on June 2, 2022.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

R. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Community Services Infrastructure.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026. It is the intent of the legislature that the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor provide a grant in order to increase economic development to a non-profit organization operating as a 501(c)(3) that provides community services in Montgomery County. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

S. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Anti-Gang Pilot Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal



Justice, is \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026. It is the intent of the legislature that the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor provide a grant to the Texas Gang Unit serving Bexar County for the purchase of a helicopter. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Local Law Enforcement Equipment.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund. It is the intent of the legislature that the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor provide grants to the Houston Police Department for the purchase of 200 police vehicles. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Any unobligated and unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

XII. HISTORICAL COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 102,935,149	\$ 17,949,942

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Executive Director, Group 6	\$ 196,591	\$ 196,591

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> PRESERVATION TRUST FUND Provide Financial Assistance through the Preservation Trust Fund.	\$ 59,160,000	\$ 330,000

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.3.1. Strategy:</b> EVALUATE/INTERPRET RESOURCES Prog for Historic Resource Identification, Evaluation & Interpretation.	\$ 4,245,277	\$ 2,705,277

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Republic of Texas International Boundary Marker.** Out of General Revenue funds appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.3.1, Evaluate/Interpret Resources, is \$800,000 in fiscal year 2026 to be used for the purposes of providing parking and site improvements to facilitate public access to the Republic of Texas International Boundary Marker in accordance with Government Code, Section 442.0074. The Historical Commission shall cooperate with the Texas Historical Foundation in effecting improvements to its property adjacent to the marker. Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026 are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.3.1, Evaluate/Interpret Resources, is \$260,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to design and fabricate Camino Real Markers, evaluate and identify regional routes of the trail, design and develop trail-wide informational brochures and create historic exhibits about the trail, in accordance with Government Code, Section 442.021.

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Historic Preservation Project Grants.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, is \$58,830,000 from the General Revenue Fund to be deposited in fiscal year 2026 into the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Preservation Trust Fund Account No. 664 to provide grants in accordance with Government Code, Section 442.015 for the following projects:

- (a) \$2,000,000 for the preservation of the Rio Vista Farm National Historic Landmark;
- (b) \$10,000,000 for the Juneteenth Museum of Fort Worth;
- (c) \$3,000,000 for the African American Museum of Dallas for archives and collections management;
- (d) \$5,000,000 for preservation of Rosenwald Schools;
- (e) \$30,000 for the Houston Museum of African American Culture;
- (f) \$30,000,000 for the restoration of the Ritz Theatre of Corpus Christi;
- (g) \$1,800,000 for the Texas Maritime Museum; and
- (h) \$7,000,000 for the Juneteenth Museum of Galveston.

Any unexpended balances of the \$58,830,000 deposited into the Texas Preservation Trust Fund Account No.664 remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026 for the same purpose.

**XIII. DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 9	\$ 279,982	\$ 279,982

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Fund Balance Limitations.**

- (a) Before March 1 of each fiscal year, the Department of Information Resources (DIR) shall prepare a report which reflects the amount of unexpended and unobligated balances carried forward in the DIR Clearing Fund, Telecommunications Revolving, Statewide Technology, and Statewide Network Applications accounts, respectively from the previous fiscal year and submit the report to the Governor, Legislative Budget Board, and the Comptroller.
- (b) For purposes of this section (Rider 11, Fund Balance Limitations), "agency" includes a state agency, institution of higher education, or local governmental entity that uses DIR information technology commodity contracts, telecommunications or data center services, or is appropriated funds in this Act.
- (c) For purposes of this subsection, "total revenue" means the total amount of administrative fees collected from users of DIR's information technology commodity contracts authorized by Government Code, Chapter 2157. In the event that unexpended and unobligated balances in the DIR Clearing Fund Account at the end of any fiscal year exceed 10 percent of total revenue, as defined in this subsection, processed through the account in that ending fiscal year, the portion of the excess over 10 percent from all funding sources may be used in lieu of monies from the General Revenue Fund for cybersecurity or artificial intelligence purposes. Any monies from the General Revenue Fund saved by this swap shall not be expended by DIR without prior written approval from the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) for similar purposes. DIR shall report to the LBB quarterly on the use of excess fund balances for cybersecurity or artificial intelligence purposes.
- (d) For purposes of this subsection, "total revenue" means the total amount of gross revenue collected related to Telecommunications Services provided by DIR under Government Code, Chapter 2170. In the event that unexpended and unobligated balances in the Telecommunications Revolving Account at the end of any fiscal year exceed four percent of total revenue, as defined in this

subsection, processed through the account in that ending fiscal year, the portion of the excess over the four percent funded from all funding sources may be used in lieu of monies from the General Revenue Fund for artificial intelligence or cybersecurity purposes. Any monies from the General Revenue Fund saved by this swap shall not be expended without prior written approval from the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) for similar purposes. DIR shall report to the LBB quarterly on the use of excess fund balances for cybersecurity or artificial intelligence purposes.

- (e) For purposes of this subsection, "total revenue" means the total amount of gross revenue collected related to Data Center Services provided by DIR under Government Code, Chapter 2054, Subchapter L. In the event that unexpended and unobligated balances in the Statewide Technology Account at the end of any fiscal year exceed one percent of total revenue, as defined in this subsection, processed through the account in that ending fiscal year, the portion of the excess over the one percent funded from all funding sources shall be returned to agencies, no later than May 1 of the following fiscal year. The excess returned to the agencies by DIR is appropriated to the agencies for expenditures consistent with the original funding source.
- (f) For purposes of this subsection, "operating revenue" means the total amount of gross revenue collected related to the state electronic internet portal, Texas.gov, provided by DIR under Government Code, Chapter 2054, Subchapter I, less the cost for payment processing services. In the event that unexpended and unobligated balances in the Statewide Network Applications Account at the end of any fiscal year exceed four percent of operating revenue, as defined in this subsection, processed through the account in that ending fiscal year, the portion of the excess over the four percent funded from all funding sources shall be transferred to the General Revenue Fund.
- (g) The Comptroller may prescribe accounting procedures and regulations to implement this section.
- (h) The reimbursement requirements established by this section may be waived or delayed, either in whole or in part, by the Legislative Budget Board.
- (i) DIR shall coordinate with the Legislative Budget Board on development of a methodology to implement this section and a methodology to determine the source of funds used for agencies' payments which are directly remitted to vendors for information technology and telecommunications products and services.
- (j) DIR shall require participating agencies to provide to DIR, and those agencies shall submit to DIR, information regarding the specific funding sources from which agencies pay administrative costs charged for the use of DIR's telecommunications and/or data center services respectively and as applicable.

**XIV. LIBRARY & ARCHIVES COMMISSION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 23,399,833	\$ 19,588,860

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> LIBRARY SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 27,657,988	\$ 23,429,649
Assistance Provided to Texas Libraries.		

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Repairs and Renovations to the Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center in Liberty, Texas	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000

b. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies			
(1) PC Replacement / Network Equipment	\$	299,602	\$ 307,361
(2) Texas Digital Archive (TDA)		<u>135,159</u>	<u>135,159</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$	434,761	\$ 442,520
c. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items			
(1) Library Collection Materials and Public Access Information Resources	\$	11,540,544	\$ 11,769,655
d. Data Center/Shared Technology Services			
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$	<u>427,537</u>	<u>\$ 467,021</u>
Total, Capital Budget	\$	<u>12,902,842</u>	<u>\$ 13,179,196</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):			
General Revenue Fund	\$	6,814,441	\$ 7,030,510
Federal Public Library Service Fund No. 118	\$	2,041,323	\$ 2,053,158
<u>Other Funds</u>			
Appropriated Receipts	\$	2,892,544	\$ 2,892,544
Interagency Contracts		<u>1,154,534</u>	<u>1,202,984</u>
Subtotal, Other Funds	\$	<u>4,047,078</u>	<u>\$ 4,095,528</u>
Total, Method of Financing	\$	<u>12,902,842</u>	<u>\$ 13,179,196</u>

**D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Contingency for Library Support Services Federal Funds.** Contingent upon the suspension or interruption of federal Institute of Museum and Library Sciences funding, the following amounts are appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for the purpose of supplanting reduced Federal Public Library Service Fund 118:

- (a) An amount not to exceed \$6,991,590 in Strategy A.1.1, Library Support Services;
- (b) An amount not to exceed \$903,289 in Strategy A.2.1, Disabled Services; and
- (c) An amount not to exceed \$597,153 in Strategy B.1.1, Provide Access to Information and Archives.

In the event that federal funding is suspended or interrupted during the 2026-27 biennium, appropriations from Federal Public Library Service Fund No. 118 shall be proportionally reduced by the same amount as the General Revenue appropriations made in this section. Funding appropriated in this section shall be used to support essential services to improve libraries by assisting with data collection, reporting, grant assistance, e-resources, support for broadband deployment and digital opportunities, programming support, and training for the field. In the event that federal funding is resumed during the 2026-27 biennium, any amounts expended from the General Revenue fund shall be transferred to the Federal Public Library Service Fund 118 and the General Revenue appropriations reduced by the same amount.

**E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Community Literacy Support.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission in Strategy A.1.1, Library Support Services, is \$4,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to provide grants to local libraries to partner with a 501(c)(3) organization to enroll children in a monthly mail order book delivery program pursuant to Government Code, Section 441.0091. Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Commission for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

## **XV. PRESERVATION BOARD**

**A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:**

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 6	\$ 207,367	\$ 207,367

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balances: Deferred Maintenance - Legislative Office Buildings.** In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, Building Maintenance, any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, (estimated to be \$0) in General Revenue are appropriated for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for deferred maintenance needs of legislative office buildings.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated to the State Preservation Board for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026 for the same purpose.

**XVI. STATE OFFICE OF RISK MANAGEMENT**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Interagency Contracts	\$ 57,665,123	\$ 57,665,122

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 5	\$ 166,887	\$ 166,887

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Services - Server Migration	\$ UB	\$ UB
b. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
Total, Capital Budget	<u>\$ UB</u>	<u>\$ UB</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
Interagency Contracts	\$ UB	\$ UB
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$ UB</u>	<u>\$ UB</u>

**XVII. SECRETARY OF STATE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 72,698,728	\$ 51,075,071

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	330.0	330.0

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Secretary of State, Group 8	\$ 226,550	\$ 226,550

**D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000
(2) Unified Fund Distribution System	1,809,600	1,809,600
(3) Transition from Office 365	<u>751,830</u>	<u>490,930</u>
 Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	 \$ 2,911,430	 \$ 2,650,530
 b. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$ 3,848,117	\$ 3,962,488
 Total, Capital Budget	 <u>\$ 6,759,547</u>	 <u>\$ 6,613,018</u>
 Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
 General Revenue Fund	 \$ 6,409,547	 \$ 6,263,018
 Appropriated Receipts	 <u>\$ 350,000</u>	 <u>\$ 350,000</u>
 Total, Method of Financing	 <u>\$ 6,759,547</u>	 <u>\$ 6,613,018</u>

**E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Voter Identification Education.** Included in the amounts appropriated above is \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration, for educating the public, including students, regarding the required documents for voting, information on recently passed legislation that affects voting, and the general voting process pursuant to Election Code, Section 31.012.

Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, out of the appropriations made herein are appropriated to the Secretary of State for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

The Secretary of State shall submit a biennial report to the Legislature no later than December 31 of each even-numbered calendar year that provides:

- (a) the types and amounts of any media purchase(s) made using appropriated funds designated by this rider; and
- (b) an analysis of the population of voters, including age and geographic region, who received education under the provisions of this rider.

**F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Statewide Election Listing.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Secretary of State (SOS) in Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration, is \$410,574 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for the purpose of publishing and maintaining on its publicly accessible Internet website a comprehensive list of each municipal and school district election held in this state, including the date of the election and the entity holding the election, to the extent possible with election information provided by county election officials pursuant to Election Code, Section 4.008. Included in the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)” for the SOS is 2.0 FTEs in each fiscal year for this purpose.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, out of the appropriations identified in this rider, are appropriated to the SOS for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

The SOS shall provide a yearly report detailing local election jurisdictions not providing information for the report to the Legislature no later than January 1 in each fiscal year of the biennium. The SOS shall coordinate with the Legislative Budget Board to determine the format of the report.

**XVIII. VETERANS COMMISSION**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 24,858,896	\$ 23,895,717

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> VETERANS EMPLOYMENT SERVICES	\$ 13,199,163	\$ 13,199,163

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> HEALTH CARE ADVOCACY PROGRAM	\$ 1,612,345	\$ 1,612,345

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> GENERAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS	\$ 26,636,112	\$ 25,636,112

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Fund for Veterans' Assistance.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategies A.1.1, Claims Benefits and Assistance, B.1.1, General Assistance Grants, B.1.2, Housing for Texas Heroes, B.1.3, Veterans Treatment Courts, and D.1.1, Central Administration, are all revenues collected on or after September 1, 2025, deposited to the Fund for Veterans' Assistance Account No. 0368 (estimated to be \$31,924,645 in fiscal year 2026 and \$31,924,645 in fiscal year 2027 in Other Funds) for veterans' assistance programs and to make grants to local communities to address veterans' needs in accordance with Government Code Section 434.017. In addition to the amount appropriated above, all unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, (estimated to be \$0) and all revenue collected on or after September 1, 2025 from the Fund for Veterans' Assistance Account No. 0368 are appropriated for the same purpose to the Texas Veterans Commission for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025.

Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Healthcare Advocacy Program for Veterans.** From the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.6, Healthcare Advocacy Program \$1,612,345 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,612,345 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and 27.0 Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs) each fiscal year for the 2026-27 biennium may be used only for the purpose of supporting the Healthcare Advocacy Program.

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Veterinary Care for Veterans.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Veterans Commission in Strategy B.1.1, General Assistance Grants, is \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to be used only to provide grants to organizations providing veterinary care and pet lodging for veterans undergoing or seeking medical treatment.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Veterans Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**XIX. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 155,910,807	\$ 167,428,998

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Other Special State Funds	\$ 3,010,906	\$ 2,997,692

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE	\$ 133,870,729	\$ 148,075,609
Group Insurance Contributions. Estimated.		

**XX. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 44,551,390	\$ 44,850,939

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Other Special State Funds	\$ 1,325,019	\$ 1,207,112



ARTICLE II

XXI. DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,488,417,141	\$ 1,510,608,167

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Match for Medicaid Account No. 758	\$ 12,142,669	\$ 12,230,565

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Match for Title IVE (FMAP) Account No. 8008	\$ 145,064,745	\$ 147,883,911

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$ 781,267,420	\$ 791,233,752

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	11,654.8	11,525.3

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Commissioner, Group 9	\$ 268,192	\$ 268,192

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATEWIDE INTAKE SERVICES Provide System to Receive/Assign Reports of Abuse/Neglect/Exploitation.	\$ 39,960,541	\$ 39,966,124

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> CPS DIRECT DELIVERY STAFF Provide Direct Delivery Staff for Child Protective Services.	\$ 1,014,259,293	\$ 1,033,345,174

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> CPS PROGRAM SUPPORT Provide Program Support for Child Protective Services.	\$ 112,744,670	\$ 109,447,563

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> TWC CONTRACTED DAY CARE TWC Contracted Day Care Purchased Services.	\$ 66,561,177	\$ 71,043,942

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.9. Strategy:</b> FOSTER CARE PAYMENTS	\$ 494,274,443	\$ 508,262,839

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.10. Strategy:</b> ADOPTION/PCA PAYMENTS	\$ 288,407,523	\$ 289,980,732
Adoption Subsidy and Permanency Care Assistance Payments.		

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.11. Strategy:</b> RELATIVE CAREGIVER PAYMENTS	\$ 27,375,237	\$ 27,432,523
Relative Caregiver Monetary Assistance Payments.		

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> APS DIRECT DELIVERY STAFF	\$ 68,233,464	\$ 68,232,173

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.2. Strategy:</b> OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 20,300,337	\$ 20,300,362

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.4. Strategy:</b> IT PROGRAM SUPPORT	\$ 80,777,724	\$ 80,822,526

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> AGENCY-WIDE AUTOMATED SYSTEMS	\$ 63,525,896	\$ 59,163,523
Agency-wide Automated Systems (Capital Projects).		

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
CPS Daily Caseload Per Worker: Substitute Care Services	15.8	13.3

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
CPS Daily Caseload Per Worker: Foster/Adoptive Home Development	7.8	6.7

**T.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
CPS Daily Caseload Per Worker: Kinship	20.1	20.2

**U.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Days of TWC Relative Day Care Paid Per Month	28,507	28,507

V. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percent of Children (FTE) Who Are Served in Community-based Care Foster Care	66.7%	82.6%

W. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly FPS Payment Per Foster Child (FTE)	4,043.89	4,079.46

X. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Administrative Systems	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000
(2) Information Management Protecting Adults & Children in Texas System	14,939,282	10,123,554
(3) Refresh Smart Phones	5,214	407,063
(4) Seat Management	10,334,745	10,359,363
(5) New Case Management System	<u>UB</u>	<u>UB</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 29,279,241	\$ 24,889,980
b. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	<u>\$ 34,246,655</u>	<u>\$ 34,273,543</u>
Total, Capital Budget	<u>\$ 63,525,896</u>	<u>\$ 59,163,523</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
<u>General Revenue Fund</u>		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 52,155,979	\$ 49,065,054
GR Match for Medicaid Account No. 758	<u>556,720</u>	<u>490,558</u>
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund	\$ 52,712,699	\$ 49,555,612
Federal Funds	<u>\$ 10,813,197</u>	<u>\$ 9,607,911</u>
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$ 63,525,896</u>	<u>\$ 59,163,523</u>

Y. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Limitation on Transfers: CPS and APS Direct Delivery Staff.**

- (a) **Funding.** Notwithstanding Article IX, Section 14.01, Appropriation Transfers, and Article IX, Section 14.03, Transfers - Capital Budget, in this Act, the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) shall not transfer funds out of Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, or Strategy C.1.1, APS Direct Delivery Staff, without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor. DFPS may transfer funds into Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, or Strategy C.1.1, APS Direct Delivery Staff, with prior written notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor 30 business days prior to the transfer. The Legislative Budget Board and the Governor may disapprove the transfer during the 30 business day period.

- (b) **Full-time-equivalent (FTE) Positions.** Out of the FTE positions identified above for DFPS, 8,335.3 positions in fiscal year 2026 and 8,177.3 positions in fiscal year 2027 are allocated to Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, and 868.3 positions in each fiscal year are allocated to Strategy C.1.1, APS Direct Delivery Staff.

None of the FTEs allocated by this rider may be transferred out to any other item of appropriation or utilized for any purpose other than the specific purpose for which the FTEs are allocated without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor. DFPS may transfer FTEs in with prior written notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor 30 business days prior to the transfer. The Legislative Budget Board and the Governor may disapprove the transfer during the 30 business day period.

- (c) **Limitations on Transfers: Request for Approval.** To request approval for the transfer of funds and/or FTEs, DFPS shall submit at least 60 business days prior to when the funds or FTEs are intended to be expended or reallocated for a different purpose a written request to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor that includes the following information:

- (1) a detailed explanation of the purpose(s) of the transfer and whether the expenditure will be one-time or ongoing;
- (2) the name of the strategy or strategies affected by the transfer, and the method of finance and FTEs for each program by fiscal year;
- (3) an estimate of performance levels and, where relevant, a comparison to targets included in this Act for both the originating and the receiving programs; and
- (4) the capital budget impact.

Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor should be provided in a timely manner.

The transfer request shall be considered disapproved unless the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor issue written approvals within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request and forwards the review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any requests for additional information made by the Legislative Budget Board shall interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall not allow the transfer of funds if the Legislative Budget Board provides notification to the Comptroller of Public Accounts that the requirements of this provision have not been satisfied.

- (d) **Transferability of Resources to A.1.1, Statewide Intake Services.** Notwithstanding the above limitations, DFPS may transfer FTE and associated funding from B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, to A.1.1, Statewide Intake Services, for the purpose of process efficiency as identified through business process reviews with prior notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor 30 business days prior to the transfer. The Legislative Budget Board and the Governor may disapprove the transfer during the 30 business day period.

**Z.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Rate Listing and Limitations.**

- (a) **Informational Listing.** Amounts appropriated above are intended to provide the following rates in each fiscal year. In addition, the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) or Single Source Continuum Contractor (SSCC), where Community-based Care (CBC) is operating, is required to reimburse foster families under the Service Level System at least \$27.07 per day per child or the daily foster family passthrough amount associated with each Service Package and Add-On Service if the child is receiving services in a foster family home under the Texas Child Centered Care (T3C) system.
- (1) Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, and Strategy B.1.9, Foster Care Payments, Community-based Care (CBC) Stage I and Stage II Network Support Payment: \$2,500 per child full-time equivalent (FTE) per year.
  - (2) Strategy B.1.9, Foster Care Payments, daily rate per child under the Service Level System:

- (A) Basic Foster Family: \$27.07
- (B) Basic Child Placing Agency: \$57.71
- (C) Basic Residential: \$52.65
- (D) Moderate Foster Family: \$47.37
- (E) Moderate Child Placing Agency: \$101.77
- (F) Moderate Residential: \$126.03
- (G) Specialized Foster Family: \$57.86
- (H) Specialized Child Placing Agency: \$126.62
- (I) Specialized Residential Facility: \$227.34
- (J) Intense Foster Family: \$92.43
- (K) Intense Child Placing Agency: \$218.11
- (L) Intense Residential Facility: \$324.52
- (M) Intense Plus: \$480.86
- (N) Treatment Foster Family Care Foster Family: \$137.52
- (O) Treatment Foster Family Care Child Placing Agency: \$318.98
- (P) Intensive Psychiatric Transition Program: \$449.20
- (Q) Emergency Care Services: \$153.09
- (R) Temporary Emergency Placement: \$480.86
- (3) Strategy B.1.9, Foster Care Payments, for eligible services delivered under the Service Level System, 24-Hour Awake Supervision: \$15.46 per hour
- (4) Strategy B.1.11, Relative Caregiver Payments:
  - (A) Daily Payment: \$23.45
  - (B) Post-Permanency Care Assistance Payments: \$500
- (5) Strategy B.1.9, Foster Care Payments, daily rate per child under T3C for Service Packages and Add-On Services:
  - (A) Child Placing Agency/Foster Family Home T3C Daily Foster Care Rates Community-based Services Packages
    - (1) T3C Basic Foster Family Home Support Services Foster Family: \$46.90
    - (2) T3C Basic Foster Family Home Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$83.29
    - (3) Substance Use Support Services Foster Family: \$59.57
    - (4) Substance Use Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$148.14
    - (5) Short-term Assessment Support Services (not eligible for Add-On services) Foster Family: \$73.18
    - (6) Short-term Assessment Support Services (not eligible for Add-On services) Child Placing Agency: \$150.40
    - (7) Mental and Behavioral Health Support Services Foster Family: \$59.57
    - (8) Mental and Behavioral Health Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$169.49

- (9) Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender Support Services Foster Family: \$90.78
- (10) Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$186.47
- (11) Complex Medical Needs or Medically Fragile Support Services Foster Family: \$93.27
- (12) Complex Medical Needs or Medically Fragile Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$187.80
- (13) Human Trafficking Victim/Survivor Support Services Foster Family: \$100.21
- (14) Human Trafficking Victim/Survivor Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$217.26
- (15) Intellectual or Developmental Disability (IDD)/Autism Spectrum Disorder Support Services Foster Family: \$90.78
- (16) Intellectual or Developmental Disability (IDD)/Autism Spectrum Disorder Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$219.98
- (17) T3C Treatment Foster Family Care Support Services Foster Family: \$139.58
- (18) T3C Treatment Foster Family Care Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$328.41
- (B) Child Placing Agency/Foster Family Home T3C Daily Foster Care Rates Community-based Add-On Services
  - (1) Transition Support Services for Youth & Young Adults Add-On Service Foster Family: \$26.12
  - (2) Transition Support Services for Youth & Young Adults Add-On Service Child Placing Agency: \$37.40
  - (3) Kinship Caregiver Support Services Add-On Service Child Placing Agency: \$38.22
  - (4) Pregnant & Parenting Youth or Young Adults Support Services Foster Family: \$26.28
  - (5) Pregnant & Parenting Youth or Young Adults Support Services Child Placing Agency: \$51.22
- (C) General Residential Operations - Tier I T3C Daily Foster Care Rates Treatment/Transition Service Packages
  - (1) T3C Basic Child Care Operation: \$270.80
  - (2) Services to Support Community Transition for Youth & Young Adults who are Pregnant or Parenting: \$365.60
  - (3) Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender Treatment Services to Support Community Transition: \$366.17
  - (4) Substance Use Treatment Service to Support Community Transition: \$389.67
  - (5) Emergency Emotional Support & Assessment Center Services: \$390.91
  - (6) Complex Medical Needs Treatment Services to Support Community Transition: \$422.30
  - (7) Mental & Behavioral Health Treatment Services to Support Community Transition: \$453.53
  - (8) Intellectual or Developmental Disability (IDD)/Autism Spectrum Disorder Treatment Services to Support Community Transition: \$461.23

(9) Human Trafficking Victim/Survivor Treatment Services to Support Community Transition: \$472.14

(D) General Residential Operations - Tier II T3C Daily Foster Care Rates Treatment/Transition Service Packages

(1) Sexual Aggression/Sex Offender Services to Support Stabilization: \$540.60

(2) Substance Use Services to Support Stabilization: \$565.50

(3) Aggression/Defiant Disorder Services to Support Stabilization: \$574.65

(4) Complex Mental Health Services to Support Stabilization: \$583.33

(5) Complex Medical Services to Support Stabilization: \$623.53

(6) Human Trafficking Victim/Survivor Services to Support Stabilization: \$669.03

(b) None of the funds appropriated in this Act to DFPS may be used to reimburse a provider for foster care services in an amount that exceeds the applicable foster care reimbursement rate listed in Subsection (a) unless DFPS is unable to locate a provider that is willing and able to provide a safe and appropriate placement at the applicable rate.

(c) DFPS may not increase the network support payment in contracts with SSCCs without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor.

A request shall be considered approved unless the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor issues a written disapproval within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any request for additional information made by the Legislative Budget Board shall interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.

(d) DFPS may not increase a rate in contracts with providers without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor. A request shall be considered approved unless the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor issues a written disapproval within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any request for additional information made by the Legislative Budget Board shall interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.

(e) For services not identified in subsection (a), DFPS shall seek guidance from the Legislative Budget Board as to whether a reimbursement methodology is considered a rate for purposes of complying with this subsection prior to implementing a new reimbursement methodology. To request approval for such a proposed rate, DFPS shall submit a written request to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor at least 60 business days prior to the proposed implementation date. At the same time, the agency shall provide a copy of the request to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. The request shall include the following information:

(1) a list of each proposed rate increase or proposed new rate;

(2) an estimate of the fiscal impact of each proposed rate by fiscal year and method-of-financing; and

(3) an estimate of the amount by which expenditures would exceed appropriations due to the proposed rates.

A request pursuant to this subsection shall be considered approved unless the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor issues a written disapproval within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any request for additional information made by the Legislative Budget Board shall interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.

**AA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Limitations: Community-based Care Payments.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above is \$549,670,566 in All Funds (\$410,518,544 from the General Revenue Fund) in fiscal year 2026 and \$733,098,473 in All Funds (\$549,081,751 from the General Revenue Fund) in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, for resource transfers, Stage II network support payments, and Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) assessments and Strategy B.1.9, Foster Care Payments, for Stage I network support payments and foster care payments for Community-based Care (CBC) in Stages I and II in Catchment Areas 3W, 2, 1, 8B, 3E, 4, 5, 8A, 6B, 6A, and 7A, and Stage I in Catchment Areas 8A, 6A, 6B, 7B, 11A, and 11B, as authorized by Family Code, Chapter 264.
- (b) Included in amounts identified in Subsection (a) is \$223,532,002 in All Funds (\$207,443,773 from the General Revenue Fund) in fiscal year 2026 and \$303,508,558 in All Funds (\$280,765,844 from the General Revenue Fund) in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, which DFPS may not exceed or expend for any purpose not identified in Subsection (a) without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor.
- (c) DFPS in conjunction with the Office of CBC Transition, shall continue the use of an independent evaluation to complete process and outcome evaluations throughout the entire rollout and implementation of CBC in each established catchment area. All evaluations shall be provided to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

**AB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Kinship Funds Awareness Campaign.** Out of funds appropriated above to the Department of Family and Protective Services, the agency shall establish and promote a statewide campaign on kinship care funds.

The public awareness campaign shall begin no later than December 1, 2025. The public awareness campaign may include online materials, printed materials, public service announcements, or other advertising media.

**AC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Family First and Enhanced Family Engagement Pilot.** Out of amounts appropriated above, the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) and the Single Source Continuum Contractors (SSCCs) shall continue to operate the Texas Family First Pilot Program to serve families meeting the criteria established in Texas Family Code, Section 262.401 and, if the Commissioner identifies excess capacity within the pilot program, other children at imminent risk of removal, including to prevent parental relinquishment under Texas Family Code, Section 261.001(4)(B)(i) may be served within appropriations.

To the extent funds are available, SSCCs currently operating the Texas Family First Pilot Program sites shall also implement enhanced family engagement efforts within the conservatorship stage of service for families identified by the SSCC who would most benefit from those services. These SSCCs shall provide enhanced support to reunified families who most demonstrate a continued need for those enhanced services.

DFPS shall include in its independent Texas Family First evaluation an assessment of whether the enhanced services were effective to prevent removal of children and/or improve reunification outcomes.

**AD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Connecting Technology Services.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) in Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff, is \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027. DFPS shall contract with an organization that provides connecting technology for children and families in Texas. The technology services include providing community partners the opportunity to address the needs of children and families in their community.

**AE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:



**Case Management System.**

- (a) Contingent upon funding of a transition to a new case management system, Single Source Continuum Contractors (SSCCs) and subcontractors must agree to use the Department of Family and Protective Services’ (DFPS) new case management system to record all case management and placement activities.
- (b) DFPS may partner with the SSCCs to ensure the new system is designed to meet their business needs.

**AF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Safe Haven and Public Awareness Campaign.** Included in amounts above in the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) Strategy A.1.1, Statewide Intake Services, is \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund and 2.0 FTEs in each fiscal year of the biennium to support the Texas Baby Moses Hotline and implement a public awareness campaign to ensure that women of childbearing age in this State have access to information regarding the Safe Haven Law and related public and private resources.

DFPS shall collaborate with the Health and Human Services Commission to determine how services at both agencies may best support the functions of the hotline and what existing programs could be enhanced to convey public awareness of the Safe Haven Law.

Not later than November 1, 2026, DFPS, in collaboration with HHSC, shall submit a report to the Office of the Governor, the Legislative Budget Board, and the Legislature on the progress regarding improving awareness of the law, including any available data on the use of safe havens and information regarding strategies for raising awareness of the program that have been found to be especially successful.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the State fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Community Services Construction Grant.** Included in amounts appropriated above, the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) is appropriated \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to provide funding assistance related to a non-profit organization operating as a 501(c)(3) that provides community crisis pregnancy services, foster care outreach, and community services in Montgomery County. Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to DFPS for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XXII. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 339,761,102	\$ 332,832,442

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Food and Drug Registration Account No. 5024	\$ 10,008,770	\$ 10,008,770

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	3,443.2	3,449.2

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Commissioner, Group 9	\$ 298,869	\$ 298,869

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH</b>	\$ 62,744,885	\$ 62,744,885

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	2026	2027
a. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Laboratory Repair and Renovation	\$ 2,679,754	\$ 250,000
(2) TCID Repair and Renovation	7,448,000	UB
(3) VSS Repair and Renovation	1,000,000	UB
(4) Regional Clinic Repair and Renovation	2,159,820	UB
Total, Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities	\$ 13,287,574	\$ 250,000
b. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) IT Accessibility	\$ 1,079,943	\$ 1,079,943
(2) Seat Management	2,748,061	2,748,061
(3) Texas STHARRS Enhancements	4,061,687	UB
(4) Tx Enhancement of the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS)	3,310,710	UB
(5) TXEVER Order Fulfillment Enhancements	1,000,000	UB
(6) NBS Clinical Care Coordination	6,262,258	6,288,468
(7) Congenital Syphilis Case Management	1,827,956	UB
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 20,290,615	\$ 10,116,472
c. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1) Miscellaneous Laboratory Equipment	\$ 8,538,186	\$ 4,073,325
d. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$ 42,913,311	\$ 47,471,249
e. Cybersecurity		
(1) Cybersecurity	\$ 830,998	\$ 830,998
(2) IT Security	3,047,830	3,047,830
Total, Cybersecurity	\$ 3,878,828	\$ 3,878,828
Total, Capital Budget	\$ 88,908,514	\$ 65,789,874

Method of Financing (Capital Budget):

<u>General Revenue Fund</u>		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 47,179,034	\$ 48,528,217
GR for HIV Services Account No. 8005	3,237,711	3,237,711
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund	\$ 50,416,745	\$ 51,765,928
<u>General Revenue Fund - Dedicated</u>		
Vital Statistics Account No. 019	\$ 2,032,025	\$ 32,025
Food and Drug Fee Account No. 341	4,802	4,802
Public Health Services Fee Account No. 524	236,252	236,252
Food and Drug Registration Account No. 5024	183,999	183,999
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund - Dedicated	\$ 2,457,078	\$ 457,078

<u>Federal Funds</u>		
Coronavirus Relief Fund	\$ 20,810,596	\$ 1,927,622
Federal Funds	<u>2,570,232</u>	<u>2,505,232</u>
Subtotal, Federal Funds	\$ 23,380,828	\$ 4,432,854
<u>Other Funds</u>		
Appropriated Receipts	\$ 444,549	\$ 444,549
Public Health Medicaid Reimbursements Account		
No. 709	12,204,020	8,684,171
Interagency Contracts	<u>5,294</u>	<u>5,294</u>
Subtotal, Other Funds	<u>\$ 12,653,863</u>	<u>\$ 9,134,014</u>
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$ 88,908,514</u>	<u>\$ 65,789,874</u>

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of the appropriations made for the programs listed in the table below, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" associated with these programs, appropriated elsewhere in this Act. "Other direct and indirect costs" for these programs are estimated to be \$3,596,342 for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,673,561 for fiscal year 2027.

- (a) This requirement shall apply to revenues generated in the following strategies and deposited under the following revenue codes or account numbers.

Strategy	Revenue Code or Account
C.1.1. Food (Meat) & Drug Safety	Fees deposited into the General Revenue Fund to support C.1.1, Food (Meat) and Drug Safety, including fees deposited under the following Revenue Codes: 3142 (Food Service Worker Training); 3180 (Health Regulation Fees, for Tattoo/Body Piercing Studios); 3400 (Business Fees-Agriculture, for Milk Products); 3414 (Agriculture Inspection Fees, for Meat or Meat Products); 3554 (Food and Drug Fees, for Frozen Dessert Manufacture).
C.1.2. Environmental Health	Fees deposited into the General Revenue Fund to support C.1.2, Environmental Health, including fees deposited under the following Revenue Codes: 3123 (Volatile Chemical Sales Permit); 3180 (Health Regulation Fees, for Lead-Based Paint Certification Program); 3555 (Hazardous Substance Manufacture); and 3573 (Health Licenses for Camps, for Youth).
C.1.3. Radiation Control	Fees deposited into the General Revenue Fund to support C.1.3, Radiation Control, including fees deposited under the following Revenue Codes: 3589 (Radioactive Materials and Devices for Equipment Regulation).

- (b) Appropriations made to DSHS in this Act are contingent upon DSHS assessing fees sufficient to generate revenue to cover the General Revenue Fund appropriations for the programs listed under Subsection a above as well as the related "other direct and indirect costs." In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts to reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Maternal Mortality and Morbidity.** Amounts appropriated above to the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) in Strategy B.1.1, Maternal and Child Health, include \$5,000,000 in All Funds and 8.0

FTEs in each fiscal year for the following items:

- (a) to implement and operate maternal safety initiatives statewide;
- (b) to expand a high-risk maternal care coordination services pilot for women of childbearing age, which may include the following:
  - (1) Implementing a statewide assessment of training courses;
  - (2) Sharing existing models of high-risk maternal care coordination services;
  - (3) Implementing a risk assessment tool to identify pregnant women who are at a higher risk for poor pregnancy, birth, or postpartum outcomes and train providers on use of the risk assessment tools; and
  - (4) Creating educational materials for promotoras or community health workers; and
- (c) to increase public awareness and prevention activities related to maternal mortality and morbidity.

Additionally, out of funds appropriated above, DSHS in coordination with the Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee shall annually collect information relating to postpartum depression screening and treatment under state health programs administered by the Health and Human Services Commission, including Medicaid and Healthy Texas Women.

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**HIV Injectable Treatment.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.2, HIV/STD Prevention, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) shall allocate \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to pilot a program to provide HIV injectable treatment for up to 210 clients eligible for the Texas AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP). DSHS shall prioritize clients in the following order based on available funding:

- (a) Clients eligible for the Texas Insurance Assistance Program-PLUS (TIAP-PLUS) and are waiting for the open enrollment period.

If funds are not exhausted in item (a), DSHS shall prioritize clients in the following order based on available funding:

- (b) Clients who are eligible for TIAP-PLUS but do not enroll to maintain continuity of care with their local provider; and
- (c) Other clients eligible for ADAP.

Contingent on DSHS collecting HIV rebate revenue in excess of \$29,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 or \$65,400,000 in fiscal year 2027, the appropriation in Strategy A.2.2, HIV/STD Prevention, shall be reduced by the amount that the HIV rebate revenue exceeds the amounts listed above up to \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2027.

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Spay and Neuter Pilot Program - Public Health Focus.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.3, Infectious Disease Prevention, Epidemiology, and Surveillance, are \$6,500,000 in General Revenue Fund appropriations in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,500,000 in General Revenue Fund appropriations in fiscal year 2027 designated for the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to implement a pilot program focused on protecting human health by reducing the population of cats and dogs at risk for unplanned breeding that may carry infectious diseases. The agency will oversee spay and neuter procedures.

The agency is also authorized to outsource sterilization efforts to qualified entities to ensure the most effective and humane methods are employed for the sterilization of dogs and cats. Such entities must have a long-standing history of providing cost effective large-scale spay and neuter services and demonstrate proven experience in successfully managing high quality, high volume spay and neuter services.

Additionally, licensed veterinarians may utilize nonsurgical methods and technologies approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration or the United States Department of Agriculture to humanely and permanently render a dog or cat unable to reproduce, in accordance

with Health and Safety Code, Section 828.0045, as part of the overall public health strategy.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances of these funds remaining at the end of the first fiscal year of the biennium are appropriated for the same purposes in the second fiscal year of the biennium.

**Reporting Requirements:**

- (a) **Quarterly Performance Reporting.** The outsourcing entity shall report quarterly to DSHS the number of procedures completed per quarter to maintain the agreement for continued outsourcing funding.
- (b) **Annual Reporting and Metrics.** DSHS shall submit an annual report by September 1 of each fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, detailing the following:
  - (1) number of animals treated and location;
  - (2) health outcomes, including disease prevention and control efforts;
  - (3) a budget report outlining the expenditure of allocated funds; and
  - (4) strategies for program expansion and improvement.

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balances: Emergency Medical Services Extraordinary Emergencies Allocation.** In accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 780.004(b), any unexpended balances from the \$500,000 reserved for extraordinary emergencies from the General Revenue-Dedicated Designated Trauma Facility and EMS Account No. 5111 remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Department of State Health Services for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**XXIII. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 3,096,334,532	\$ 3,198,460,226

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Medicaid Program Income Account No. 705	\$ 434,609,204	\$ 19,932,959

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Vendor Drug Rebates—Medicaid Account No. 706	\$ 793,563,225	\$ 808,839,748

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Match for Medicaid Account No. 758	\$ 13,191,609,085	\$ 13,884,460,538

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Premium Co-Payments, Low Income Children Account No. 3643	\$ 4,103,862	\$ 4,108,858

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Match for Title XXI (CHIP) Account No. 8010	\$ 8,928,887	\$ 8,954,791

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Match for SNAP Administration Account No. 8014	\$ 205,031,344	\$ 205,776,247

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Tobacco Settlement Receipts Match for CHIP Account No. 8025	\$ 188,828,013	\$ 188,267,309

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Experience Rebates—CHIP Account No. 8054	\$ 58,665	\$ 84,538

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Vendor Drug Rebates—CHIP Account No. 8070	\$ 2,244,874	\$ 3,095,926

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Cost Sharing - Medicaid Clients Account No. 8075	\$ 100,697	\$ 102,591

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Vendor Drug Rebates—Supplemental Rebates Account No. 8081	\$ 65,308,736	\$ 66,565,631

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$ 27,316,327,567	\$ 27,795,112,458

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	42,227.2	43,562.0

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Commissioner, Group 10	\$ 345,250	\$ 345,250

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> MEDICAID CLIENT SERVICES	\$ 35,460,660,227	\$ 36,245,688,000

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.3. Strategy:</b> DEAF-BLIND MULTIPLE DISABILITIES Deaf-Blind Multiple Disabilities (DBMD).	\$ 24,103,194	\$ 24,328,169

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.4. Strategy:</b> TEXAS HOME LIVING WAIVER	\$ 99,237,526	\$ 99,102,828

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.5. Strategy:</b> ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE - ELDERLY (PACE) Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).	\$ 44,370,622	\$ 44,370,349

**T.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> MEDICAID & CHIP CONTRACTS & ADMIN Medicaid and CHIP Contracts and Administration.	\$ 793,254,828	\$ 784,515,295

**U.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> CHIP CHIP, Perinatal Services, Prescription Drugs, And Dental Services.	\$ 694,560,334	\$ 695,457,220

**V.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.2.1. Strategy:</b> COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	\$ 728,489,068	\$ 725,989,068

**W.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.2.5. Strategy:</b> COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADM Community Behavioral Health Administration.	\$ 78,375,788	\$ 73,375,658

**X.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>G.2.1. Strategy:</b> MENTAL HEALTH STATE HOSPITALS	\$ 752,138,368	\$ 840,443,864

**Y.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>G.4.2. Strategy:</b> FACILITY CAPITAL REPAIRS & RENOV Capital Repair and Renovation at SSLCs, State Hospitals, and Other.	\$ 19,055,820	\$ 18,986,193

**Z.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>H.1.1. Strategy:</b> FACILITY/COMMUNITY-BASED REGULATION Health Care Facilities & Community-based Regulation.	\$ 173,024,051	\$ 167,357,438

**AA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>H.2.1. Strategy:</b> CHILD CARE REGULATION	\$ 70,057,578	\$ 68,839,578

**AB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>K.1.1. Strategy:</b> OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL	\$ 73,337,189	\$ 71,783,205

**AC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>L.2.1. Strategy:</b> CENTRAL PROGRAM SUPPORT	\$ 54,112,144	\$ 54,580,816

**AD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>L.2.2. Strategy:</b> REGIONAL PROGRAM SUPPORT	\$ 112,869,677	\$ 110,432,371

**AE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>M.1.1. Strategy:</b> TEXAS CIVIL COMMITMENT OFFICE Texas Civil Commitment Office Client Services.	\$ 30,378,187	\$ 31,981,917

**AF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Full Benefit Medicaid Recipient Months Per Month	4,160,011	4,201,205

**AG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per Full Benefit Medicaid Client (Includes Drug and LTC)	579.61	601.04

**AH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Persons Enrolled at the End of the Fiscal Year: Medically Dependent Children Program (MDCP)	6,344	6,332

**AI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Persons Enrolled at the End of the Fiscal Year: STAR+PLUS Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)	63,936	63,710

**AJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:



	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Enrolled Per Month: Medically Dependent Children Program	6,265	6,338
<b>AK.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Individuals Enrolled Per Month: STAR+PLUS Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)	62,615	63,823
<b>AL.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Aged and Medicare-Related Recipient Months Per Month	382,331	392,417
<b>AM.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Disability-Related Recipient Months Per Month	370,549	377,221
<b>AN.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Pregnant Women Recipient Months Per Month	273,929	276,441
<b>AO.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Other Adult Recipient Months Per Month	132,016	132,064
<b>AP.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Income-Eligible Children Recipient Months Per Month	2,980,039	3,001,711
<b>AQ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average STAR Health Foster Care Children Recipient Months Per Month	21,147	21,351
<b>AR.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Texas Health Steps (EPSDT) Dental Recipient Months Per Month	3,213,636	3,224,599
<b>AS.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Community Attendant Services	68,309	68,850
<b>AT.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Primary Home Care	1,238	1,238
<b>AU.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Day Activity and Health Services	992	992
<b>AV.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Receiving Medicaid-funded Nursing Facility Services on a Fee-For-Service Basis Per Month	8,589	8,749
<b>AW.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Receiving Copaid Medicaid/Medicare Nursing Facility Services Per Month	1,049	1,134
<b>AX.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Receiving Hospice Services Per Month	8,671	8,811
<b>AY.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Persons in ICF/IID Medicaid Beds Per Month	3,902	3,775
<b>AZ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Number of Non-citizens Receiving Emergency Services	54,548	54,548
<b>BA.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Supplemental Medical Insurance Part B Recipient Months Per Month	693,421	715,532
<b>BB.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Aged and Medicare-Related Cost Per Recipient Month	1,500.33	1,556.18
<b>BC.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Disability-Related Cost Per Recipient Month	1,838.73	1,902.45
<b>BD.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Pregnant Women Cost Per Recipient Month	430.75	430.87
<b>BE.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Other Adult Cost Per Recipient Month	468.83	490.08
<b>BF.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Income-Eligible Children Cost Per Recipient Month	232.28	239.89
<b>BG.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average STAR Health Foster Care Children Cost Per Recipient Month	1,498.28	1,538.73

**BH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Cost Per Medicaid Recipient Month for Prescription Drugs	74.9	76.77

**BI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Cost Per Texas Health Steps (EPSDT) Dental Recipient Month	33.04	33.04

**BJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Nonemergency Transportation (NEMT) Cost Per Recipient Month	4.99	5.2

**BK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Community Attendant Services	1,746.38	1,799.06

**BL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Primary Home Care	1,670.07	1,718.96

**BM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Day Activity and Health Services	990.46	951.15

**BN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Net Cost Per Medicaid Resident Receiving Nursing Facility Services on a Fee-For-Service Basis Per Month	4,502.68	4,493.49

**BO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Net Payment Per Individual Receiving Copaid Medicaid/Medicare Nursing Facility Services Per Month	3,034.63	3,101.11

**BP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Net Payment Per Individual Per Month for Hospice	3,759.78	3,784.6

**BQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Monthly Cost Per ICF/IID Medicaid Eligible Individual	5,368.33	5,442.52

**BR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Emergency Services for Non-citizens Cost Per Recipient Month	981.52	1,003.8

**BS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Average Part B Premium Per Month	<u>2026</u> 189.33	<u>2027</u> 198.64
<b>BT.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Home and Community Based Services (HCS)	<u>2026</u> 29,774	<u>2027</u> 30,427
<b>BU.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Home and Community Based Services (HCS)	<u>2026</u> 4,132.04	<u>2027</u> 4,181.53
<b>BV.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost per Individual Served: Home and Community - Based Services Residential	<u>2026</u> 6,575.72	<u>2027</u> 6,669.31
<b>BW.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Home and Community - Based Services Non-Residential	<u>2026</u> 3,146.32	<u>2027</u> 3,178.03
<b>BX.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Number of Individuals Receiving Services at the End of the Fiscal Year: Home and Community Based Services (HCS)	<u>2026</u> 30,459	<u>2027</u> 30,395
<b>BY.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Community Living Assistance & Support Services Waiver (CLASS)	<u>2026</u> 6,345	<u>2027</u> 6,275
<b>BZ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Community Living Assistance & Support Services Waiver (CLASS)	<u>2026</u> 5,715.94	<u>2027</u> 5,825.36
<b>CA.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Number of Persons Receiving Services at the End of the Fiscal Year: Community Living Assistance & Support Services Waiver (CLASS)	<u>2026</u> 6,301	<u>2027</u> 6,249
<b>CB.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Medicaid Deaf-blind with Multiple Disabilities Waiver	<u>2026</u> 309	<u>2027</u> 303
<b>CC.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Medicaid Deaf-blind with Multiple Disabilities Waiver	<u>2026</u> 6,615.81	<u>2027</u> 6,716.46
<b>CD.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Persons Receiving Services at the End of the Fiscal Year: Medicaid Deaf-blind with Multiple Disabilities Waiver	303	303
<b>CE.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Individuals Served Per Month: Texas Home Living Waiver	3,072	3,024
<b>CF.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per Individual Served: Texas Home Living Waiver	2,679.39	2,768.17
<b>CG.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Individuals Receiving Services at the End of the Fiscal Year: Texas Home Living Waiver	3,058	2,990
<b>CH.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per Recipient: Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)	3,215.69	3,224.99
<b>CI.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average CHIP Programs Recipient Months Per Month (Includes All CHIP Programs)	201,236	201,354
<b>CJ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average CHIP Programs Benefit Cost with Prescription Benefit Per Recipient Month (Includes All CHIP Programs)	295.15	303.13
<b>CK.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average CHIP Children Recipient Months Per Month	174,069	174,078
<b>CL.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Perinatal Recipient Months Per Month	27,167	27,276
<b>CM.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average CHIP Children Benefit Cost Per Recipient Month	192.11	199.42
<b>CN.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Perinatal Benefit Cost Per Recipient Month	476.1	478.62
<b>CO.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Cost Per CHIP Recipient Month: Pharmacy Benefit	44.01	45.15
<b>CP.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		

Average Monthly Cost of the Dental Benefit Per CHIP Program Recipient	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	23.9	23.98
<b>CQ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Number of Family Planning Clients Receiving Services	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	24,783	25,080
<b>CR.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Number of Women Receiving HTW Services	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	23,338	24,504
<b>CS.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Healthy Texas Women Client Receiving Services	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	184.54	184.73
<b>CT.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Family Planning Client Receiving Services	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	189.03	195.17
<b>CU.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Number of Children Served in Comprehensive Services	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	36,841	37,482
<b>CV.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Number of Hours of Service Delivered Per Child Per Month	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	2.35	2.35
<b>CW.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Number of Clients Served in the Home and Community-based Services - Adult Mental Health (HCBS-AMH) Program	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	430	442
<b>CX.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Number of Clients Served in the Youth Empowerment Services (YES) Waiver	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	658	651
<b>CY.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Client Served in the Home and Community-Based Services - Adult Mental Health (HCBS-AMH) Program	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	7,073.87	7,373.36
<b>CZ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Monthly Cost Per Client Served in the Youth Empowerment Services (YES) Waiver	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	775.28	782.82
<b>DA.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:		
Average Number of TANF Basic Cash Assistance Recipients Per Month	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	25,652	25,974

**DB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of State Two-Parent Cash Assistance Program Recipients Per Month	1,336	1,341

**DC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Grant: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Basic Cash Assistance	99.99	101.59

**DD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Grant: State Two-Parent Cash Assistance Program	101.21	102.83

**DE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Number of State Supported Living Center Campus Residents	2,637	2,669

**DF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Monthly Cost Per State Supported Living Center or State Center Resident	31,843	31,468

**DG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Daily Cost Per Occupied Community Mental Health Hospital Bed	767.24	792.12

**DH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Daily Cost Per Occupied Contracted State Hospital Bed	760.6	686.34

**DI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Total Dollars Recovered (Millions)	450	450

**DJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in the provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Equipment Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Facilities Repair and Renovations - State Supported Living Centers and State Hospitals	\$ 352,186	\$ 352,186
b. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Seat Management Services (PCs, Laptops, & Servers)	\$ 20,075,153	\$ 19,998,273
(2) Texas Integrated Eligibility Redesign System	121,898,659	124,404,840
(3) Network, Performance and Capacity	6,561,400	6,561,400
(4) MMIS - Medicaid Management		

	Information System	40,808,449	38,085,398
(5)	Infrastructure Maintenance at SSLCs to support Electronic Health Records	500,000	500,000
(6)	WIC Stateside and WIC Field Hardware/Software Refresh	675,000	675,000
(7)	Information Technology - Mental Health	869,249	869,249
(8)	Business Process Redesign	2,116,317	2,132,128
(9)	Medicaid Fraud Detection System	2,500,000	2,500,000
(10)	System-Wide Business Enablement Platform	1,278,627	1,278,627
(11)	WIC EBT Online Transition	72,000,000	19,300,000
(12)	Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) Modernization	232,879,438	241,115,330
(13)	Procurement and Contracting Modernization	986,517	986,517
(14)	Hosted Faxing Solution	4,179,046	4,410,946
(15)	Improving Health Outcomes for Pregnant Women	85,261	85,261
(16)	Mental Health and Behavior Health Reporting Application	7,274,586	2,600,372
(17)	SB 1849 Implementation (SEMARC)	2,585,354	UB
(18)	TULIP Licensing, Credentialing, and Permitting Enhancements (TLCP)	5,950,443	5,955,497
(19)	Grants Management System	5,030,574	5,061,376
(20)	HHS Legacy Analytics Modernization	6,111,409	6,112,504
(21)	Identity Access Management Enhancements Phase II	8,675,454	5,574,053
(22)	TULIP Stabilization and Automated Testing	7,011,021	7,011,021
(23)	OIG System Improvements	<u>4,113,710</u>	<u>1,993,375</u>
	Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 554,165,667	\$ 497,211,167
c.	Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1)	Improve Security Infrastructure for Regional HHS Facilities	\$ 1,967,896	\$ UB
(2)	Facility Equipment Purchases - SSLCs and State Hospitals	5,107,000	5,107,000
(3)	Regional Laundry Equipment	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
	Total, Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items	\$ 8,074,896	\$ 6,107,000
d.	Other Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program (MLPP)		
(1)	Lease Payments to MLPP - Deferred Maintenance	\$ 18,703,634	\$ 18,634,007
e.	Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1)	Data Center Consolidation	\$ 114,377,068	\$ 115,848,378
f.	Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS)		
(1)	CAPPS Financials Ongoing Operations	\$ 10,455,647	\$ 10,455,647
(2)	Enterprise Resource Planning	<u>9,036,428</u>	<u>9,036,428</u>
	Total, Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS)	\$ 19,492,075	\$ 19,492,075
g.	Cybersecurity		
(1)	Cybersecurity Advancement for HHS Enterprise	\$ 1,523,500	\$ 1,523,500
(2)	Cybersecurity Compliance and Operations Monitoring	<u>7,865,265</u>	<u>7,229,065</u>
	Total, Cybersecurity	<u>\$ 9,388,765</u>	<u>\$ 8,752,565</u>
	Total, Capital Budget	<u>\$ 724,554,291</u>	<u>\$ 666,397,378</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):			
	<u>General Revenue Fund</u>		
	General Revenue Fund	\$ 128,854,767	\$ 120,989,772
	GR Match for Medicaid Account No. 758	83,617,400	87,226,661



GR Match for Title XXI (CHIP) Account No. 8010	1,304,077	1,305,662
GR Match for SNAP Administration Account No. 8014	35,071,752	35,230,814
GR Certified as Match for Medicaid Account No. 8032	<u>2,796,330</u>	<u>2,776,763</u>
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund	\$ 251,644,326	\$ 247,529,672
GR Dedicated - Texas Capital Trust Fund Account No. 543	\$ 289,802	\$ 289,802
Federal Funds	\$ 456,217,187	\$ 403,281,447
<u>Other Funds</u>		
Appropriated Receipts	\$ 80,038	\$ 80,554
Interagency Contracts	<u>16,322,938</u>	<u>15,215,903</u>
Subtotal, Other Funds	<u>\$ 16,402,976</u>	<u>\$ 15,296,457</u>
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$ 724,554,291</u>	<u>\$ 666,397,378</u>

**DK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**MEDICAID**

**Informational Listing: Medicaid Client Services.** This rider is informational only and does not make any appropriations. Appropriations above in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, include the following:

- (a) **Aged and Medicare-Related:** \$2,500,449,613 from the General Revenue Fund and \$3,848,524,667 from Federal Funds (\$6,348,974,280 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,579,921,620 from the General Revenue Fund and \$3,972,761,047 from Federal Funds (\$6,552,682,667 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (b) **Disability-Related:** \$2,999,440,299 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,552,651,904 from Federal Funds (\$7,552,092,203 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,074,848,668 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,666,106,031 from Federal Funds (\$7,740,954,699 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (c) **Pregnant Women:** \$537,528,102 from the General Revenue Fund and \$814,588,633 from Federal Funds (\$1,352,116,735 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$542,844,665 from the General Revenue Fund and \$822,163,458 from Federal Funds (\$1,365,008,123 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (d) **Other Adults:** \$257,614,388 from the General Revenue Fund and \$430,177,275 from Federal Funds (\$687,791,663 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$262,402,537 from the General Revenue Fund and \$441,611,676 from Federal Funds (\$704,014,213 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (e) **Children:** \$2,988,458,559 from the General Revenue Fund, \$4,843,135,119 from Federal Funds , and \$209,802,862 from Other Funds (\$8,041,396,540 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,007,445,274 from the General Revenue Fund, \$4,869,039,806 from Federal Funds , and \$209,802,863 from Other Funds (\$8,086,287,943 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (f) **Medicaid Prescription Drugs:** \$1,469,961,017 from the General Revenue Fund and \$2,213,970,099 from Federal Funds (\$3,683,931,116 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,498,198,760 from the General Revenue Fund and \$2,255,289,205 from Federal Funds (\$3,753,487,965 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (g) **Health Steps (Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment) Dental:** \$430,175,644 from the General Revenue Fund and \$740,026,959 from Federal Funds (\$1,170,202,603 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$435,138,426 from the General Revenue Fund and \$748,110,778 from Federal Funds (\$1,183,249,204 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (h) **Medical Transportation:** \$84,108,335 from the General Revenue Fund and \$129,366,899 from Federal Funds (\$213,475,234 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$85,155,346 from the General Revenue Fund and \$130,900,050 from Federal Funds (\$216,055,396 from All

Funds) in fiscal year 2027;

- (i) **Community Attendant Services:** \$541,904,874 from the General Revenue Fund, \$2,158,639 from General Revenue-Dedicated Funds, and \$814,192,636 from Federal Funds (\$1,358,256,149 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$556,238,976 from the General Revenue Fund, \$2,158,639 from General Revenue-Dedicated Funds, and \$835,113,007 from Federal Funds (\$1,393,510,622 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (j) **Primary Home Care:** \$9,432,888 from the General Revenue Fund and \$14,115,368 from Federal Funds (\$23,548,256 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$9,606,011 from the General Revenue Fund and \$14,365,765 from Federal Funds (\$23,971,776 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (k) **Day Activity & Health Services:** \$9,526,816 from the General Revenue Fund and \$14,605,917 from Federal Funds (\$24,132,733 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$9,563,284 from the General Revenue Fund and \$14,650,825 from Federal Funds (\$24,214,109 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (l) **Nursing Facility Payments:** \$292,972,887 from the General Revenue Fund and \$433,421,749 from Federal Funds (\$726,394,636 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$309,482,841 from the General Revenue Fund and \$457,786,752 from Federal Funds (\$767,269,593 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (m) **Medicare Skilled Nursing Facility:** \$15,922,027 from the General Revenue Fund and \$23,727,828 from Federal Funds (\$39,649,855 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$15,860,037 from the General Revenue Fund and \$23,622,256 from Federal Funds (\$39,482,293 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (n) **Hospice:** \$149,642,792 from the General Revenue Fund and \$223,011,916 from Federal Funds (\$372,654,708 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$151,899,417 from the General Revenue Fund and \$226,242,025 from Federal Funds (\$378,141,442 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (o) **Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities:** \$38,109,919 from the General Revenue Fund, \$60,184,891 from General Revenue-Dedicated Funds, and \$142,420,748 from Federal Funds (\$240,715,558 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$34,833,230 from the General Revenue Fund, \$60,184,891 from General Revenue-Dedicated Funds, and \$137,458,339 from Federal Funds (\$232,476,460 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (p) **School Health and Related Services:** \$243,023,579 from Federal Funds (\$243,023,579 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$251,112,946 from Federal Funds (\$251,112,946 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (q) **Emergency Services:** \$168,763,899 from the General Revenue Fund, \$349,675,757 from Federal Funds , and \$69,245,724 from Other Funds (\$587,685,380 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$176,660,421 from the General Revenue Fund, \$361,228,751 from Federal Funds , and \$69,245,724 from Other Funds (\$607,134,896 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (r) **Graduate Medical Education:** \$56,334,518 from Federal Funds and \$37,800,836 from Other Funds (\$94,135,354 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$56,301,320 from Federal Funds and \$37,800,836 from Other Funds (\$94,102,156 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (s) **Newborn Screening:** \$62,341,390 from the General Revenue Fund and \$92,907,261 from Federal Funds (\$155,248,651 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$64,439,232 from the General Revenue Fund and \$95,977,079 from Federal Funds (\$160,416,311 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (t) **Other Medicaid Client Services:** \$134,861,476 from the General Revenue Fund and \$200,983,816 from Federal Funds (\$335,845,292 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$141,353,178 from the General Revenue Fund and \$210,534,245 from Federal Funds (\$351,887,423 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027; and
- (u) **Medicare Payments:** \$1,382,951,277 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,101,438,425 from Federal Funds (\$2,484,389,702 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,463,690,887 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,131,536,876 from Federal Funds (\$2,595,227,763 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027.

Not included in amounts identified in this provision are reductions of \$275,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium for cost containment initiatives identified in Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Rider 33, Cost Containment.

**DL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Hospital Payments.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, is \$148,223,452 from the General Revenue Fund, \$80,127,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$334,691,465 from Federal Funds (\$563,042,797 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$151,177,280 from the General Revenue Fund, \$80,127,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$338,350,362 from Federal Funds (\$569,655,522 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to provide Medicaid hospital add-on payments for trauma care and safety-net hospitals and add-on payments and rate increases for rural hospitals as follows:

- (a) \$73,044,000 from Interagency Contracts and \$106,956,000 from Federal Funds (\$180,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$73,134,000 from Interagency Contracts and \$106,866,000 from Federal Funds (\$180,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for trauma care;
- (b) \$53,786,120 from the General Revenue Fund, \$7,083,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$89,130,000 from Federal Funds (\$150,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$53,951,120 from the General Revenue Fund, \$6,993,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$89,055,000 from Federal Funds (\$150,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for safety-net hospitals;
- (c) \$26,945,120 from the General Revenue Fund and \$39,454,880 from Federal Funds (\$66,400,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$26,978,320 from the General Revenue Fund and \$39,421,680 from Federal Funds (\$66,400,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for rural hospitals to maintain increases and add-ons related to general outpatient reimbursement rates, outpatient emergency department services that do not qualify as emergency visits, the outpatient hospital imaging services fee schedule, and the outpatient clinical laboratory services fee schedule;
- (d) \$11,849,360 from the General Revenue Fund and \$17,350,640 from Federal Funds (\$29,200,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$13,611,050 from the General Revenue Fund and \$19,888,950 from Federal Funds (\$33,500,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for rural hospitals to maintain inpatient rates trended forward from 2013 to 2020 using an inflationary factor;
- (e) \$5,541,749 from the General Revenue Fund and \$8,114,607 from Federal Funds (\$13,656,356 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,723,199 from the General Revenue Fund and \$8,362,941 from Federal Funds (\$14,086,140 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for rural hospitals to maintain increases to inpatient rates in addition to those identified in Subsection (d);
- (f) \$24,753,594 from the General Revenue Fund and \$36,245,899 from Federal Funds (\$60,999,493 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$25,378,912 from the General Revenue Fund and \$37,084,569 from Federal Funds (\$62,463,481 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to maintain increases in reimbursement for Medicaid services provided by rural hospitals;
- (g) \$12,779,889 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,713,184 from Federal Funds (\$31,493,073 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,795,636 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,697,437 from Federal Funds (\$31,493,073 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for HHSC to maintain a \$1,500 Medicaid add-on payment for labor and delivery services provided by rural hospitals; and
- (h) \$12,567,620 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,726,255 from Federal Funds (\$31,293,875 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,739,043 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,973,785 from Federal Funds (\$31,712,828 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for HHSC to increase reimbursement for Medicaid inpatient and outpatient services provided by rural hospitals.

HHSC shall develop a methodology to implement the add-on payments pursuant to funding identified in Subsection (b) that targets the state's safety-net hospitals, including those hospitals that treat high percentages of Medicaid and low-income, uninsured patients. Total reimbursement for each hospital shall not exceed its hospital specific limit.

For purposes of this provision, rural hospitals are defined as (1) hospitals located in a county with 68,750 or fewer persons according to the 2020 U.S. Census; or (2) a hospital designated by Medicare as

a Critical Access Hospital (CAH), a Sole Community Hospital (SCH), or a Rural Referral Center (RRC) that is not located in a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA); or (3) a hospital that has 100 or fewer beds, is designated by Medicare as a CAH, a SCH, or a RRC, and is located in an MSA. No reimbursement may exceed the hospital specific limit and reimbursement for outpatient emergency department services that do not qualify as emergency visits may not exceed 65 percent of cost.

To the extent possible, HHSC shall ensure any funds identified in this rider that are included in Medicaid managed care capitation rates are distributed by the managed care organizations to the hospitals. The expenditure of funds identified in this rider that are not used for targeted increases to hospital provider rates as outlined above shall require the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board.

**DM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Informational Listing: End-of-Year Waiver Slots Funding.** This rider is informational only and does not make any appropriations. Appropriations above in Goal A, Medicaid Client Services, include the following:

- (a) **Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, STAR+PLUS Home and Community-based Services:** \$1,129,390,740 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,666,330,912 from Federal Funds (\$2,795,721,652 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 for 63,936 end-of-year waiver slots and \$1,178,655,282 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,735,925,075 from Federal Funds (\$2,914,580,357 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for 63,710 end-of-year waiver slots.
- (b) **Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, Medically Dependent Children Program:** \$489,653,010 from the General Revenue Fund and \$722,529,433 from Federal Funds (\$1,212,182,443 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 for 6,344 end-of-year waiver slots and \$506,667,050 from the General Revenue Fund and \$746,096,318 from Federal Funds (\$1,252,763,368 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for 6,332 end-of-year waiver slots.
- (c) **Strategy A.2.1, Home and Community-based Services:** \$597,536,590 from the General Revenue Fund and \$907,509,988 from Federal Funds (\$1,505,046,578 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 for 30,459 end-of-year waiver slots and \$603,914,209 from the General Revenue Fund and \$916,451,508 from Federal Funds (\$1,520,365,717 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for 30,395 end-of-year waiver slots.
- (d) **Strategy A.2.2, Community Living Assistance:** \$154,509,345 from the General Revenue Fund and \$276,639,349 from Federal Funds (\$431,148,694 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 for 6,301 end-of-year waiver slots and \$156,109,691 from the General Revenue Fund and \$279,270,745 from Federal Funds (\$435,380,436 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for 6,249 end-of-year waiver slots.
- (e) **Strategy A.2.3, Deaf-Blind Multiple Disabilities:** \$9,239,010 from the General Revenue Fund and \$14,864,184 from Federal Funds (\$24,103,194 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 for 303 end-of-year waiver slots and \$9,353,964 from the General Revenue Fund and \$14,974,205 from Federal Funds (\$24,328,169 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for 303 end-of-year waiver slots.
- (f) **Strategy A.2.4, Texas Home Living:** \$35,898,348 from the General Revenue Fund and \$63,339,178 from Federal Funds (\$99,237,526 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 for 3,058 end-of-year waiver slots and \$35,789,813 from the General Revenue Fund and \$63,313,015 from Federal Funds (\$99,102,828 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for 2,990 end-of-year waiver slots.

**DN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Base Wage Increase for Personal Attendant Services.**

- (a) Included in the amounts appropriated above in Goal A, Medicaid Client Services, Strategy D.2.3, Behavioral Health Waiver & Amendment, and Strategy F.1.2, Non-Medicaid Services, is \$470,883,027 from the General Revenue Fund and \$716,822,548 from Federal Funds (\$1,187,705,575 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$494,762,919 from the General Revenue Fund and \$753,159,237 from Federal Funds (\$1,247,922,156 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to increase the base wage for personal attendant services to \$13.00 per hour, increase the associated payroll costs, taxes, and benefits percentage to 15.0 percent for services provided in residential settings and 14.0 percent for services provided in non-residential settings, and increase the associated administrative rate by \$0.24 per hour.

- (b) The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall utilize any funds that were previously expended for the attendant compensation rate enhancement programs for the base wage increase described in subsection (a) and shall discontinue the attendant compensation rate enhancement programs for community care services, intermediate care facility services, and intellectual and developmental disability services.
- (c) Out of funds appropriated in Strategy B.1.1, Medicaid & CHIP Contracts and Administration, HHSC shall continue to collect biennial cost reports from providers to monitor the average hourly wage and associated payroll costs, taxes, and benefits. HHSC shall calculate for each provider the total amount that was paid to the provider that is attributable to the direct care wages, payroll costs, taxes, and benefits, the amount expended by the provider for that purpose, and the ratio of expenses to revenue to determine a direct care wage and benefits expense ratio. HHSC shall report to the Legislative Budget Board, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Office of the Governor on an annual basis by November 1 of each year on the findings, including a list of providers whose calculated direct care staff wage and benefits expense ratio is less than 0.90.

**DO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Rate Increase for Nursing Facilities.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 457, or similar legislation relating to the regulation of certain nursing facilities, including licensing requirements and Medicaid participation and reimbursement requirements, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, subsections (c) and (d) of this provision shall not take effect.

- (a) Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, are the following amounts:
  - (1) \$78,359,051 from the General Revenue Fund and \$116,758,109 from Federal Funds (\$195,117,160 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$82,477,647 from the General Revenue Fund and \$122,843,855 from Federal Funds (\$205,321,502 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to increase the dietary rate for nursing facilities; and
  - (2) \$26,119,684 from the General Revenue Fund and \$38,919,370 from Federal Funds (\$65,039,054 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$27,492,549 from the General Revenue Fund and \$40,947,952 from Federal Funds (\$68,440,501 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to increase the administrative rate for nursing facilities.
- (b) The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall only expend the funds in subsection (a)(1) to provide reimbursement rate increases that will increase the dietary subcomponent and subsection (a)(2) to provide reimbursement rate increases that will increase the facility and operations subcomponents.
- (c) HHSC shall implement the rate increases in a manner that will enable HHSC to ensure that at least 90 percent of the funds appropriated in subsection (a)(1) are expended for dietary and nutrition expenses and 90 percent of the facility and operations funds appropriated in subsection (a)(2) are expended for facility and operational costs. For purposes of these funds, “facility and operational costs” means costs related to fixed capital and general and administrative costs, but does not include:
  - (1) professional and facility malpractice or liability insurance expenses;
  - (2) advertising expenses;
  - (3) travel and seminar expenses;
  - (4) association and other dues;
  - (5) facility owner, partner, or stockholder salaries, wages, and/or benefits;
  - (6) professional service fees;
  - (7) management consultant fees;
  - (8) management fees; or
  - (9) total central office overhead expenses or individual central office line items.

- (d) HHSC shall return to the Comptroller of Public Accounts any amount recouped from a provider who does not utilize the funds in accordance with the stated purpose. HHSC may not expend funds appropriated for nursing facility services in Medicaid managed care in lieu of payments that are currently authorized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the Quality Improvement Payment Program; and HHSC may not expend funds appropriated for nursing facility services in Medicaid fee-for-service that would not result in receipt of Federal Funds.

To receive reimbursement rate increases appropriated under subsection (a), nursing facilities must report to HHSC on their cost report, as specified by HHSC, to demonstrate that at least 90.0 percent of the funds were expended for the purpose of dietary and nutrition expenses and facility and operational costs, as defined above.

**DP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Electronic Visit Verification Fraud Prevention Criteria.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Medicaid & CHIP Contracts & Administration, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall establish clear, specific, and restricted criteria for when the use of compliance grace periods and match bypasses is permitted in the electronic visit verification process in order to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. These exceptions shall only be permitted when not explicitly required by federal law or tied to a federal action.

No later than February 1, 2026, HHSC shall develop and implement these criteria and submit a report to the Legislative Budget Board, Governor, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, and Chair of the House Appropriations Committees. The report must include:

- (a) The established fraud prevention criteria for compliance grace periods and match bypasses; and
- (b) The frequency and circumstances under which these exceptions can be applied.

HHSC shall ensure that compliance grace periods and match bypasses are applied consistently and do not undermine accountability or responsible use of funds.

**DQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Rate Increase for Applied Behavior Analysis Services and Report on Autism Services.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, is \$5,549,400 from the General Revenue Fund and \$8,268,826 from Federal Funds (\$13,818,226 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,947,212 from the General Revenue Fund and \$10,347,316 from Federal Funds (\$17,294,528 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to increase the Medicaid reimbursement rate for certain applied behavior analysis services to \$14.50 per unit in both Medicaid fee-for-service and managed care models.

HHSC shall report to the Legislative Budget Board and Governor by September 1, 2026, the following:

- (a) The compliance by managed care organizations in increasing reimbursement rates pursuant to this rider;
- (b) The number of monthly utilizers of pediatric autism services in Medicaid; and
- (c) An analysis on whether the utilization of autism services aligns with the actual need for services, considering the incidence rates of autism within the general population and the projected rates of individuals potentially eligible for autism services in Medicaid.

**DR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Rate Increase for Intellectual Developmental Disability Nursing Facilities.**

- (a) Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, is \$779,805 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,169,708 from Federal Funds (\$1,949,513 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$810,997 from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,216,496 from Federal Funds (\$2,027,493 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to revise the reimbursement methodology for an Intellectual Developmental Disability (IDD) nursing facility special reimbursement class, in which 90.0 percent of residents have a Preadmission Screening and Resident Review positive screen for IDD, to match that of the allowable Medicare equivalent.

- (b) It is the intent of the Legislature that, out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Medicaid & CHIP Contracts & Administration, the Health and Human Services Commission conduct an annual review, by August 31 of each year, of reimbursement rates for Intellectual Developmental Disability nursing facility services delivered under Medicaid.

**DS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Credentialing for Providers within the STAR Health Managed Care Program.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1. Medicaid & CHIP Contracts & Administration, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall, directly or through contract, analyze and make all necessary improvements to the process for credentialing health care providers, particularly those health care providers that provide and bill for mental and behavioral health services, within the STAR Health managed care program. Specifically, HHSC shall implement any changes needed to accomplish the expeditious credentialing and enrollment of health care providers, including:

- (a) A single process to permit credentialing across managed care organizations; and
- (b) Any other process, policy, or other efficiencies to streamline access to qualified health care providers.

**DT.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Nutritional Support Services.** Out of funds appropriated above, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) may permit a managed care organization to offer nutritional support services in lieu of a service or setting covered under the state plan. The nutritional support services must be clinically appropriate and a cost-effective substitute for a covered Medicaid service.

In determining nutritional support services to include in the contract with managed care organizations, HHSC shall take into consideration nutrition counseling and instruction services, tailored to health risk or demonstrated outcome improvement.

**DU.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Rate Review for Pediatric Care Center Services.** It is the intent of the Legislature that, out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Medicaid and CHIP Contracts and Administration, the Health and Human Services Commission shall, not later than August 31 of each year, conduct a review of reimbursement rates for pediatric care center services delivered to children under Medicaid.

**DV.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Medicaid and CHIP Residency Verification.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Medicaid and CHIP Contracts and Administration, the Health and Human Services Commission:

- (1) on at least a monthly basis shall, in accordance with applicable state and federal law, verify the residency status of clients under Medicaid and the child health plan program to ensure that only clients who are eligible residents of this state receive benefits under those programs; and
- (2) may use a private third-party vendor to identify and recover improper capitation payments made to a managed care organization with respect to individuals the commission determines were not eligible for benefits under those programs because the individuals were not residents of this state.

**DW.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Diabetes Prevention Program.**

- (a) Out of amounts appropriated above to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) that are available for that purpose, the commission shall conduct a study, in consultation with the Department of State Health Services, to evaluate the cost-effectiveness and feasibility of implementing and administering a diabetes prevention program for Medicaid recipients, including alternative interventions for Medicaid recipients at risk of developing Type 2 diabetes.
- (b) Not later than November 1, 2026, HHSC shall submit to the Governor, the Legislative Budget Board, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and each standing

committee of the Legislature with jurisdiction over health and human services a written report containing the findings of the study conducted under this rider and any recommendations for legislative or other action based on those findings.

**DX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Medicaid Dental Reimbursement Rate Reallocation.**

- (a) Out of amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall:
  - (1) for each procedure code under which a dental service provided to a Medicaid recipient is billed:
    - (A) other than a procedure code described by Paragraph (B) of this subdivision, reduce the reimbursement rate for the dental service to the amount in effect for the dental service on February 28, 2025; and
    - (B) if the procedure code was impacted by policy changes resulting from HHSC's biennial review of dental services reimbursement rates that took effect March 1, 2025, maintain the reimbursement rate implemented under the policy; and
  - (2) subject to Subsection (b) of this rider, after adjusting the reimbursement rates as prescribed by Subdivision (1), implement a uniform reimbursement rate increase for the following procedure codes: D0120, D0150, D0210, D0220, D0230, D0272, D0274, D0330, D1110, D1120, D1206, D1208, D1351, D1510, D1516, D1517, D2140, D2150, D2160, D2330, D2331, D2332, D2335, D2391, D2392, D2393, D2751, D2930, D3120, D3220, D3310, D3320, D3330, D7140, D7240, D9248, D2931, D7111, D7210, D7220, D7230, D2750, D2752, D2790, D2933, D2934, D2940, and D9243.
- (b) In implementing the uniform reimbursement rate increase described by Subsection (a)(2) of this rider, HHSC shall limit the percentage of the rate increases as necessary to ensure any overall increase in the amount of estimated expenditures on an annual basis is equivalent to the overall increase in amount of estimated expenditures that would have resulted from implementation of policy changes that took effect March 1, 2025, including changes in reimbursement rates, following HHSC's biennial review of dental services reimbursement rates.

**DY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

**Informational Listing: Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Funding.** This rider is informational only and does not make any appropriations. Appropriations above in Strategy C.1.1, CHIP, Perinatal Services, Prescription Drugs, and Dental Services, include the following:

- (a) **CHIP:** \$108,794,183 from the General Revenue Fund and \$278,248,520 from Federal Funds (\$387,042,703 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$108,959,663 from the General Revenue Fund and \$278,535,137 from Federal Funds (\$387,494,800 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (b) **CHIP Perinatal Services:** \$43,395,582 from the General Revenue Fund and \$110,987,538 from Federal Funds (\$154,383,120 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$43,595,840 from the General Revenue Fund and \$111,444,667 from Federal Funds (\$155,040,507 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (c) **CHIP Prescription Drugs:** \$29,051,731 from the General Revenue Fund and \$74,301,863 from Federal Funds (\$103,353,594 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$29,009,435 from the General Revenue Fund and \$74,157,230 from Federal Funds (\$103,166,665 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027; and
- (d) **CHIP Dental Services:** \$13,993,918 from the General Revenue Fund and \$35,786,999 from Federal Funds (\$49,780,917 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$13,991,693 from the General Revenue Fund and \$35,763,555 from Federal Funds (\$49,755,248 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027.

**DZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:



**Tobacco Settlement Receipts.** Tobacco settlement receipts appropriations made above in Goal A, Medicaid Client Services, and Goal C, CHIP Client Services, include \$336,828,013 for fiscal year 2026 and \$336,267,309 for fiscal year 2027 in tobacco settlement receipts paid to the State pursuant to the Comprehensive Tobacco Settlement and Release. In the event that the state has not received a tobacco settlements payment for each fiscal year by September 1 of each year of the biennium, the Comptroller of Public Accounts is authorized to use General Revenue funds as needed for program expenditures for cash flow purposes between the beginning of the fiscal year and the receipt by the state of the tobacco settlement payment for the fiscal year. Upon receipt of the tobacco settlement payment, the General Revenue Fund shall be reimbursed with tobacco settlement receipts for all expenditures made pursuant to this provision.

**EA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

### **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

**Informational Listing: Community Mental Health Services Funding.** This rider is informational only and does not make any appropriations. Appropriations above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, include the following:

- (a) **Community Mental Health Services for Adults.** \$339,607,587 from the General Revenue Fund, \$62,609,630 from Federal Funds, and \$136,071 from Other Funds (\$402,353,288 in All Funds) in each fiscal year of the biennium.
- (b) **Community Mental Health Services for Children.** \$103,776,033 from the General Revenue Fund and \$27,701,735 from Federal Funds (\$131,477,768 in All Funds) in each fiscal year of the biennium.
- (c) **Community Mental Health Crisis Services.** \$180,751,706 from the General Revenue Fund, \$13,656,306 from Federal Funds, and \$250,000 from Other Funds (\$194,658,012 in All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$178,251,706 from the General Revenue Fund, \$13,656,306 from Federal Funds, and \$250,000 from Other Funds (\$192,158,012 in All Funds) in fiscal year 2027.

**EB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Youth Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$27,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium for youth mobile crisis outreach teams (YCOTs), including funding to establish at least eight new YCOTs. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) prioritize establishment of the new YCOTs in urban areas of the state.

HHSC may establish three coverage tiers for YCOTs with minimum coverage consisting of YCOT staff available for eight hours each weekday for crisis response, stabilization, follow-up care, and community outreach and engagement activities and maximum coverage to include weekday and weekend on-call coverage available 24 hours for crisis response. HHSC shall establish YCOT standards and reporting requirements to ensure program integrity and financial accountability.

No later than September 1 of each fiscal year, HHSC shall submit a report to the Legislative Budget Board, Office of the Governor, Senate Finance Committee, and House Appropriations Committee on the number of YCOTs in the state, the number of individuals served by the YCOTs, and any other information requested by the Legislative Budget Board.

**EC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriate Care Settings for Individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness and Co-Occurring Conditions Study.** Out of funds appropriated in Strategy D.2.5, Community Behavioral Health Administration, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall study and develop a proposal to implement a pilot program that provides residential intermediate care services for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness who may have co-occurring conditions, including traumatic brain injury, and intellectual or developmental disabilities, who, due to the acuity of their conditions, are inappropriate for community placement but no longer meet criteria for inpatient psychiatric care.

- (a) For the purposes of developing the study and proposal:

- (1) An individual must meet the following eligibility criteria to qualify for the pilot program:
    - (A) Have a diagnosis of severe and persistent mental illness and may have a co-occurring condition, such as a traumatic brain injury or intellectual and developmental disability;
    - (B) Spent three or more of the past five years in a psychiatric hospital;
    - (C) Have been incarcerated more than three times and experienced two psychiatric crises in the previous three years; and
    - (D) Have been admitted to hospital emergency rooms more than three times with psychiatric crises.
  - (2) The proposed location of the pilot program shall not be classified as an Institution of Mental Disease under federal Medicaid regulations and shall be designed to ensure compliance with federal funding requirements.
- (b) The study and proposal shall:
- (1) Assess the existing unmet needs in the service continuum for the target population;
  - (2) Assess the need for nursing-level care and other specialized services for the target population;
  - (3) Identify opportunities to modify or expand eligibility criteria for existing programs and services;
  - (4) Scalable options for implementing the program at residential care facilities and nursing facilities;
  - (5) Evaluate whether vacated buildings on state hospital campuses or other state facilities could be rehabilitated and used to provide intensive residential services for the target population; and
  - (6) Evaluate statutory changes and funding needed to establish the pilot program to serve the target population, including the estimated cost to provide intensive residential services for the eligible population and the estimated cost to rehabilitate vacated buildings on state facility campuses to serve as the location of the pilot program.

No later than October 15, 2026, HHSC shall submit findings and recommendations from the study to the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, the Legislative Budget Board, the Office of the Governor, and permanent standing committees in the House of Representatives and the Senate with jurisdiction over health and human services.

**ED.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Heart of Texas Crisis Stabilization and Inpatient Services.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium to support mental health screening and assessment, crisis services, and post-crisis services at the local mental health authority that services the Heart of Texas region. It is the intent of the Legislature that the authority coordinate services with McLennan County in expending these funds.

**EE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Uvalde Behavioral Health Campus.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 for start-up and operational funding for the Uvalde Behavioral Health Campus.

**EF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Youth Mental and Behavioral Health.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium to support a psychiatric residential youth treatment and mental health respite facility and educational opportunity center at the local mental health authority serving Jefferson County.

**EG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**East Texas Crisis Stabilization Services.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium to support crisis services at the local mental health authority in East Texas serving Nacogdoches County.

**EH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Comal County Mental Health Facility.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium for operational costs for a mental health facility operated by the local mental health authority serving Comal County.

**EI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Dallas State Hospital.**

- (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that, out of funds appropriated above, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall operationalize the Dallas State Hospital within existing appropriations for the 2026-27 biennium before seeking to procure a contract with an entity for operations of the Dallas State Hospital, subject to the terms of subsection (b), (c), and (d) below.
  - (1) Notwithstanding the limitations in Rider 139, Limitations on Transfer Authority, and Article IX, Section 14.03, Transfers - Capital Budget, HHSC may increase the capital budget authority at HHSC to address operational needs for Dallas State Hospital.
- (b) HHSC shall issue a Request for Information (RFI) by October 1, 2025, to assess the cost and feasibility of contracting for the operations of the Dallas State Hospital. HHSC shall share the results of the RFI with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) no later than April 1, 2026.
- (c) HHSC shall not enter into a contract to operate the Dallas State Hospital pursuant to subsection (a) without prior written approval of the LBB and the Governor. To request approval, HHSC shall submit a written request to the LBB and the Governor that includes the following information:
  - (1) the projected contracted amount for operations by fiscal year;
  - (2) The number of contracted beds included in the request; and
  - (3) Any other information requested by the LBB.

The request shall be considered to be approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the LBB concludes its review of the request and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Lieutenant Governor. Any request for additional information from the LBB shall interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.

- (d) HHSC may receive and expend mental health revenue including but not limited to Patient Support and Maintenance, Appropriated Receipts, and Medicare Receipts for the operations of beds.
- (e) Any unexpended balances of funds appropriated to support operations of the Dallas State Hospital remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**EJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Brazoria and Galveston County Mental Health Capacity.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to fund additional crisis stabilization facilities and services and provide additional state-purchased psychiatric inpatient beds at the local mental health authority serving Brazoria and Galveston Counties.
- (b) Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for

the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**EK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Tarrant County Mental Health Capacity.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, is \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to fund additional crisis stabilization facilities and services and provide additional inpatient competency restoration beds at the local mental health authority serving Tarrant County.
- (b) Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**EL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Informational Listing: Women's Health Funding.** This rider is informational only and does not make any appropriations. Appropriations above in Strategy D.1.1, Women's Health Programs, include the following:

- (a) **Healthy Texas Women (HTW) Program:** \$47,381,311 from the General Revenue Fund and \$81,757,986 from Federal Funds (\$129,139,297 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$50,622,862 from the General Revenue Fund and \$88,856,750 from Federal Funds (\$139,479,612 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (b) **Family Planning Program (FPP):** \$75,749,255 from the General Revenue Fund and \$2,630,728 from Federal Funds (\$78,379,983 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$71,354,630 from the General Revenue Fund and \$2,630,728 from Federal Funds (\$73,985,358 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027;
- (c) **Breast and Cervical Cancer Services (BCCS):** \$3,429,381 from the General Revenue Fund and \$8,877,538 from Federal Funds (\$12,306,919 from All Funds) in each fiscal year; and
- (d) **Additional Funding for Caseload Growth:** It is the intent of the Legislature that the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) distributes funding to provides in Women's Health Programs in a manner that allows for the uninterrupted care of clients served throughout the state.
  - (1) Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Women's Health Programs, is \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 that can only be utilized to address an increase in caseloads for Women's Health Programs, including an increase in enrollments for HTW, growth from Women's Preventative Mobile Health Units (MHU), or contract utilization.
  - (2) HHSC may not access the amount specified in subsection (d)(1) of this rider prior to providing notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office at least 30 business days prior to utilizing these funds. A notification must include the following information:
    - (A) Caseload projections, MHU expansion, HTW enrollment, or contract utilization that support the need for additional General Revenue Funds; and
    - (B) The effect on performance measures.
  - (3) Any unexpended balances from the General Revenue Fund described in subsection (d) of this rider remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to HHSC for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.
- (e) Nothing in subsections (a) - (d) shall be construed to limit HHSC's authority to transfer appropriations within Strategy D.1.1, Women's Health Programs.
- (f) In amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Women's Health Programs, and listed in Subsection (b) of this rider, is \$20,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the purposes of maintaining existing MHUs and expanding the number of MHUs prioritizing rural areas including unserved and underserved regions of the state.
- (g) In the event federal funds identified above are available in a lesser amount, HHSC shall seek approval to transfer funds from other sources prior to making any reductions to service levels.

**EM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Maternal Health Outcome Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Women's Health Programs, is \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 for grants to organizations implementing maternal health outcome programs. Any organization selected for grant funding must design and implement successful health outcome programs that reduce severe obstetric complications, offer administrative and technological support, and enhance participation in the program.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining at the end of the first fiscal year of the biennium are appropriated to the agency for the same purpose in the second year of the biennium.

**EN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Funding for Child Advocacy Center Programs and Court Appointed Special Advocate Programs.**

- (a) **Child Advocacy Center (C.A.C) Program.** Included in appropriations above in Strategy F.3.2, Child Advocacy Programs, is \$36,077,834 from the General Revenue Fund, \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue - Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010, and \$6,948,063 from Federal Funds (\$48,025,897 from All Funds) in each fiscal year for the purpose of entering into a contract with a statewide organization that shall provide training, technical assistance, evaluation services, and funds administration to support contractual requirements for local children's advocacy center programs. The statewide organization must be exempt from federal income taxation and be composed of individuals or groups of individuals who have expertise in the establishment and operation of children's advocacy center programs. Included in appropriations above in Strategy F.3.2, Child Advocacy Programs, is \$1,250,000 from the General Revenue Fund each fiscal year, not subject to Texas Family Code 264.409(b), to implement a regional support initiative to support the execution of Texas Family Code 264, Subchapter E.
- (b) **Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).** Included in appropriations above in Strategy F.3.2, Child Advocacy Programs, is \$17,950,500 from the General Revenue Fund and \$13,500 from the License Plate Trust Fund Account No. 0802 (\$17,964,000 from All Funds) in each fiscal year of the biennium for the purpose of entering into a contract with a statewide organization that shall provide training, technical assistance, and evaluation services for the benefit of local volunteer advocate programs. The statewide organization must be exempt from federal income taxation and be composed of individuals or groups of individuals who have expertise in the dynamics of child abuse and neglect and experience in operating volunteer advocate programs.
- (c) **Unexpended Balance Authority within the Biennium.** Unexpended balances in Strategy F.3.2, Child Advocacy Programs, remaining at the end of the first fiscal year of the biennium, are appropriated for the same purposes for the second fiscal year of the biennium.
- (d) **Reporting Requirement.** No later than December 1 of each fiscal year, the Health and Human Services Commission shall submit a report detailing the expenditures of funds appropriated in Strategy F.3.2, Child Advocacy Programs. The report shall include information demonstrating continuity of service from the previous fiscal year, services provided and the number of children for whom the services were provided, the amount of grants awarded in each of the categories listed above, the amount of expenditures for administration, the amount of expenditures from General Revenue - Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010, oversight activities conducted relating to the child advocacy programs, and an analysis of the effectiveness of the contracts awarded in subsections (a) and (b). The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor's Office, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee.

**EO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Rural Hospital Grant Program.**

- (a) Contingent on enactment of House Bill 18, or similar legislation relating to the establishment and administration of certain programs and services providing health care services to rural counties, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall use the funding described in subsection (b) of this rider to implement the provisions of the legislation.

- (b) **Informational Listing.** Included in amounts appropriated above to HHSC is \$16,666,667 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in Strategy F.3.3, Additional Advocacy Programs, to provide grants for purposes described in Subsection (c); \$8,333,333 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in Strategy F.3.3, Additional Advocacy Programs, to provide grants for purposes described in Subsection (d); and \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in Strategy L.1.1, HHS System Supports, to administer the program.
- (c) Grants awarded under this section shall be expended for the following purposes:
  - (1) Recruitment, retention, and development of physician workforce, including Obstetricians-Gynecologists and Emergency Physicians, and nursing workforce in underserved areas;
  - (2) Financial stabilization for rural hospitals;
  - (3) Improving maternal health outcomes and increasing access to maternal care services;
  - (4) Financing innovative methods to deliver care in rural areas, including using technology to expand access to care; and
  - (5) Enhancing critical care transport.
  - (6) HHSC shall ensure that at least 50 percent of the funds awarded for financial stabilization for rural hospitals are made to hospitals paid using a prospective payment system by Medicare.
- (d) **Essential Access Grants.** HHSC shall award grants under this subsection to a hospital that meets one of the following criteria: (1) a hospital located in a county with 68,750 or fewer persons according to the 2020 U.S. Census; or (2) a hospital designated by Medicare as a Critical Access Hospital (CAH), a Sole Community Hospital (SCH), or a Rural Referral Center (RRC) that is not located in a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA); or (3) a hospital that has 100 or fewer beds, is designated by Medicare as a CAH, a SCH, or a RRC, and is located in an MSA.

Grants may be expended for the following purposes:

- (1) Recruitment, retention, and development of physician workforce, including Obstetricians-Gynecologists and Emergency Physicians, and nursing workforce in underserved areas;
- (2) Financial stabilization, including for a hospital that has recently experienced a change in federal designation that is anticipated to negatively impact access to care, including loss of Critical Access Hospital designation; and
- (3) Rural hospitals eligible for funding under this subsection shall not be limited from applying for funds available in Subsection (b).
- (e) **Application Process:** In making awards under the Rural Hospital Grant Program, HHSC must reduce any unnecessary or overly burdensome requirements on rural hospital grant applicants, or the internal processes required to post a solicitation for applications for the Rural Hospital Grant Program. HHSC shall, at a minimum, review and revise current grant policies, procedures, and templates in a manner that expedites the solicitation process and reduces the administrative burden to rural hospital grant applicants and grantees. The review must include a determination of the applicability to grants of required terms, conditions, requirements, and clauses in the Texas Procurement and Contract Management Guide and eliminate any that are not expressly statutorily required and applicable.
- (f) **Unexpended Balance Authority within the Biennium.** Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (g) **Grant Deadline:** All funds shall be awarded by August 31, 2027.
- (h) **Reporting Requirement.** By November 1 of each fiscal year of the biennium, HHSC shall submit a report detailing the expenditure of funds appropriated in Strategy F.3.3, Additional Advocacy Programs, for the Rural Hospital Grant Program. The report shall include the following: the number of grants awarded, amount awarded per entity, effectiveness of the grants, the number of hospitals served by each grant program, and any other information requested by the Legislative Budget Board. The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor's Office, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee.
- (i) Notwithstanding the limitations in Article IX, Sec. 6.10, Limitations on State Employment Levels,

of this Act, HHSC may increase the “number of full-time-equivalents (FTEs)” appropriated above by 6.0 FTEs in each fiscal year to address staffing needs related to providing grants under this provision.

- (j) It is the intent of the Legislature that all grant awards disbursed by HHSC to a local hospital, as provided in this rider, are to be retained and expended in their entirety by the local hospital for the purposes specified in Subsections (c) and (d). Grant funds shall not be used for the purpose of paying administrative and other fees to a hospital system which governs the local hospital.

**EP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Long-Term Care Ombudsman.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy I.2.1, Community Services Admin & Access, is \$750,000 from the General Revenue Fund and 1.0 full-time-equivalent (FTE) in fiscal year 2026 and \$750,000 in General Revenue and 1.0 FTE in fiscal year 2027, to support services provided by the Long-Term Care Ombudsman. Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of the first fiscal year of the biennium are appropriated for the same purpose for the second fiscal year of the biennium.

**EQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Pediatric Child Care Facility Developmentally Appropriate Care.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium in Strategy F.3.3, Additional Advocacy Programs, for a grant to a pediatric care center located in Texas to support developmentally appropriate care for pediatric nursing facility residents. The grant funds may be used by the grantee for costs related to ensuring accessibility and developmentally appropriate environments and supports, and other costs identified by HHSC as necessary for the pediatric patients.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other limitations within Article II or Article IX, should HHSC determine amounts for the above are eligible for federal funds through the Medicaid program, HHSC shall transfer the General Revenue Funds appropriated in Subsection (a) of this rider to Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services for the same purpose, and shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor within 30 business days of initiating the transfer.
- (c) Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining on August 31, 2026, are appropriated to HHSC for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.

**ER.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Fatherhood EFFECT Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above for the Health and Human Services Commission in Strategy O.1.4, Other At-risk Prevention Programs, is \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to provide grants to organizations that provide parent education and resources to fathers through the Fatherhood EFFECT Program.

**ES.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Service Members, Veterans, and Families Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy O.1.4, Other At-Risk Prevention Programs, is \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to provide grants through the Texas Service Members, Veterans, and Families program to organizations that provide parenting support, education, counseling, and youth development programming for families with children up to 17 years of age in which at least one parent is an active service member or a veteran of the armed forces, reserves, or National Guard.

**ET.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**TEXAS PHARMACEUTICAL INITIATIVE**

**Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative (TPI).**

- (a) **Full Time Equivalents (FTEs).** The number of FTEs for Goal N, Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative, is 25.6 in each year of the biennium.

(b) **Unexpended Balances.**

- (1) Any unexpended balances remaining on August 31, 2025, in Strategy O.1.1, Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative, in the 2024-25 biennium (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025, in Strategy N.1.1, Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative.
- (2) Any unexpended balances remaining on August 31, 2026, in Strategy N.1.1, Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, contingent upon TPI providing written notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor at least 30 calendar days prior to making the transfer.

(c) **Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative Report.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy N.1.1, Texas Pharmaceutical Initiative, TPI shall submit on a quarterly basis, within 30 calendar days of the end of each fiscal quarter, the following information to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor:

- (1) Information on appropriated, budgeted, expended, and projected funds and FTEs, by strategy and method of finance from the previous fiscal quarter;
- (2) Narrative explanations of significant budget adjustments, ongoing budget issues, progress on active business plan operations, and other items as appropriate from the previous fiscal quarter; and
- (3) Any additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the Office of the Governor.

TPI shall submit the above information in an individual report prepared in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

(d) **Sunset Contingency.** Funds appropriated above in fiscal years 2026 and 2027 for TPI are made contingent on the continuation of TPI by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, 2025. In the event that the agency is not continued, the funds appropriated for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, or as much thereof as may be necessary, are to be used to provide for the phase out of agency operations.

EU. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the programs listed in the table below shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of General Revenue Fund appropriations above in Strategies F.2.4, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, H.1.1, Facility/Community-Based Regulation, and H.3.1, Health Care Professionals and Other, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with these programs. Direct costs for these programs are estimated to be \$13,411,827 for fiscal year 2026 and \$13,411,827 for fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$8,344,479 for fiscal year 2026 and \$8,364,140 for fiscal year 2027.

(a) This rider shall apply to revenue generated in the following strategies and deposited under the following revenue codes or account numbers.

Strategy	Revenue Object Code
F.2.4, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services	Fees deposited into the General Revenue Fund to support the Interpreter Certification Program in Strategy F.2.4, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, including fees deposited under the following Revenue Code: 3562 (Health Related Professional Fees for Interpreters for Persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing).
H.1.1, Facility/Community-Based Regulation	129 Hospital Licensing  373 Freestanding Emergency Medical Facility Licensing



5018 Home Health Services

Fees deposited into the General Revenue Fund to support the Health Care Facilities Program in Strategy H.1.1, Facility/Community-Based Regulation, including fees deposited under the following Revenue Codes: 3180 (Health Regulation Fees, for Special Care Facilities); and 3557 (Health Care Facilities Fees, for Abortion Clinics, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Birthing Centers, End Stage Renal Disease Facilities, Chemical Dependency Facilities, and Drug Abuse Treatment Facilities).

H.3.1, Health Care Professionals and Other

Fees deposited into the General Revenue Fund to support Strategy H.3.1, Health Care Professionals and Other, including fees deposited under the following Revenue Codes: 3175 (Professional Fees, for Health Services Providers); 3557 (Health Care Facilities Fees for Convalescent and Nursing Facilities); 3562 (Health Related Professional Fees, for Chemical Dependency Counselors).

- (b) This appropriation is contingent upon the agency assessing fees sufficient to generate revenue to cover the General Revenue Fund appropriations for the programs identified above as well as the related "other direct and indirect costs". In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

EV. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Disposition of Appropriation Transfers from State-owned Hospitals.**

- (a) The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall use the sums transferred from state owned hospitals as provided elsewhere in the Act as necessary to apply for appropriate matching Federal Funds and to provide the state's share of disproportionate share payments and uncompensated care payments authorized under the federal Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Waiver, excluding payments for physicians, pharmacies, and clinics, due to state-owned hospitals. Any amounts of such transferred funds not required for these payments shall be deposited by HHSC to the General Revenue Fund as unappropriated revenue.
- (b) If a state owned hospital is eligible and chooses to participate in a hospital directed payment program authorized under the federal Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Waiver, and the amount of funds deposited by HHSC under paragraph (a) of this provision is not equivalent to the amount deposited in the second fiscal year of the previous biennium based on the non-enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentages, HHSC shall calculate the difference and provide notice to the state-owned hospital, the Legislative Budget Board, the Comptroller of Public Accounts, and the Office of the Governor.
- (c) Payments for physicians, pharmacies, and clinics are governed by Special Provisions Relating Only to Agencies of Higher Education, Section 50, Transfer of Appropriations for Participation in the Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Waiver.
- (d) By October 1 of each fiscal year, HHSC shall present a schedule of projected transfers and payments, and any additional reporting as requested by the Legislative Budget Board, to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Office of the Governor, and the Legislative Budget Board.
- (e) The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall process all payments and transfers, unless disapproved or modified by the Legislative Budget Board or the Office of the Governor.

EW. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Transfer Authority: Home and Community-Based Services-Adult Mental Health.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.2.3, Behavioral Health Waiver and Plan

Amendment, is \$16,942,927 from the General Revenue Fund and \$15,650,112 in Federal Funds (\$32,593,039 in All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$17,202,786 from the General Revenue Fund and \$15,902,535 in Federal Funds (\$33,105,321 in All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for the Home and Community-based Services-Adult Mental Health (HCBS-AMH) program.

- (b) Notwithstanding Rider 139, Limitations on Transfer Authority, Article II, Special Provisions Section 6, Limitations on Transfer Authority, and Article IX, Section 14.01, Appropriations Transfers, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) may transfer funds from Strategies in Goal A, Medicaid Client Services, to Strategy D.2.3, Behavioral Health Waiver and Plan Amendment, if HHSC determines that there is a demand based on program utilization.
- (c) Transfers under the authority in Subsection (b) of this rider may be made only for the Home and Community-based Services-Adult Mental Health program.
- (d) Authority granted by this rider to transfer funds is contingent upon a written notification from HHSC to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor within 30 business days of making a transfer.

**EX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balance Authority for Certain Capital Projects.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) are unexpended and unobligated balances from appropriations originally appropriated to HHSC by Senate Bill 30, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, remaining as of August 31, 2025, (estimated to be \$0) for the 2026-27 biennium. Any unexpended balances described herein applies to the following appropriations made to HHSC by Senate Bill 30, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023:

- (a) Section 3.02(a)(15), Community Mental Health Grant Program;
- (b) Section 3.02(a)(16), Mental Health Inpatient Facility Grant Program;
- (c) Section 3.02(a)(18), Beaumont Baptist Hospital; and
- (d) Section 3.02(a)(19), Children's Hospitals Construction Grant Program.

Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to HHSC for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**EY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Childcare Development Center.** Notwithstanding the limitations of Rider 16, Use of Certain Additional Medicaid Revenues, Section (b); Rider 139, Limitations on Transfer Authority; Article II, Special Provisions Section 6, Limitations on Transfer Authority; Article IX, Section 14.01, Appropriations Transfers; and Article IX, Section 14.03, Transfers - Capital Budget, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) may transfer funds from Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, to Strategy L.2.2, Regional Program Support, subject to the following limitations:

- (a) HHSC may only transfer up to \$20,000,000 for the 2026-27 biennium in Medicaid Program Income No. 705 as defined in Rider 16, Use of Certain Additional Medicaid Revenues, Subsection (a)(1);
- (b) Transferred funds shall only be used to contract with the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) to build and equip a Childcare Development Center (CDC) in the HHSC John H. Winters Building parking lot to support the HHSC North Austin Complex, and to separately contract with an expert in project management and childcare consulting services;
- (c) Transferred funds may be transferred to a new capital budget item not present in the agency's bill pattern to implement the CDC project;
- (d) Once complete, the CDC may be operated by the University of Texas with oversight provided by HHSC in collaboration with TFC; and
- (e) HHSC shall provide written notification of any transfer to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office within 30 calendar days of making a transfer.

Once the CDC is in operations, is the intent of the Legislature that the CDC's services will be available for state employees regardless of employment at health and human services agencies.

**EZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Regulatory Services Division.**

- (a) Out of amounts appropriated above, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is appropriated, as one-time costs, in Strategy H.1.1, Facility/Community-Based Regulation, \$7,122,408 from the General Revenue Fund (\$7,122,408 from All Funds) and 32.0 full-time-equivalents (FTEs) in fiscal year 2026; Strategy L.1.2, IT Oversight & Program Support, \$230,740 from the General Revenue Fund (\$252,838 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026; Strategy L.2.1, Central Program Support, \$221,544 from the General Revenue Fund (\$328,568 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026; and Strategy L.2.2, Regional Program Support, \$63,226 from the General Revenue Fund (\$77,660 from All Funds) and 2.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 to address backlogs relating to abuse, neglect, and exploitation investigations in the Regulatory Services Division (RSD).
- (b) It is the intent of the Legislature that HHSC address and clear all backlogs relating to abuse, neglect, and exploitation investigations in the RSD by December 31, 2026.
- (c) **Unexpended Balances within the Biennium.** Any unexpended balances in funds described in subsection (a) of this rider remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to HHSC for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose

**FA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**External Evaluation of Child Care Rules and Minimum Standards.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in Strategy H.2.1, Child Care Regulation, is \$1,025,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to contract with an independent entity with expertise in child welfare and child care regulation to evaluate HHSC's rules and minimum standards for licensed day care centers, licensed day care homes, registered family homes, licensed before and after school programs, and licensed school-age programs to evaluate the following:
  - (1) The relevance of the requirement to child health, safety, and welfare;
  - (2) Whether the requirement aligns with federal and/or state laws; and
  - (3) Whether the requirement is aligned with best practices in regulated child care.
- (b) Before September 1, 2026, the independent entity must issue a report to HHSC that includes the findings of the assessment and recommendations to simplify and adjust the agency's rules and minimum standards for the purpose of:
  - (1) Prioritizing the health, safety and well-being of children attending licensed day care centers, licensed day care homes, registered family homes, licensed before and after school programs, and licensed school-age programs; and
  - (2) Reducing any licensing, training or oversight requirements that present a barrier to opening or operating licensed day care centers, licensed day care homes, registered family homes, licensed before and after school programs, and licensed school-age programs, including barriers to the hiring and retention of high-quality leadership, administrators, and staff at licensed day care centers, licensed day care homes, registered family homes, licensed before and after school programs, and licensed school-age programs.
- (c) The independent entity conducting the assessment under this section shall make recommendations for required legislative action, including recommendations for retaining, repealing, or modifying existing state laws. In conducting the assessment, the independent entity shall solicit and consider the input of relevant stakeholders, including licensed child care providers and families with children in licensed child care as well as families who cannot currently afford licensed child care.
- (d) Before the 90th day after HHSC receives the independent entity's assessment, the agency shall submit a report on the independent assessment to the Office of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and the standing committee of each chamber

of the Legislature with jurisdiction over HHSC including the following:

- (1) HHSC's plan to implement the independent entity's assessment recommendations; and
- (2) Any recommendation the agency decides not to implement and a written justification for not implementing the recommendation.

**FB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Funding for Search Engine Multi-Agency Reportable Conduct (SEMARC).** Included in the amounts appropriated above at the Health and Human Services Commission in Strategy L.1.2, IT Oversight & Program Support, is \$500,381 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$500,381 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 for the SEMARC system to support the safety and oversight of individuals working with vulnerable populations, as required by Senate Bill 1849, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023. The funds shall provide additional Tier 1 IT Help Desk contracted resources to support the implementation and operation of SEMARC, including triaging technical issues encountered by users at schools, child care facilities, long-term care providers, and juvenile detention centers.

**FC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Government Code References.** It is the intent of the Legislature that any references in this Act to health and human services laws that were in effect prior to April 1, 2025, are to be considered as references to the new health and human services laws that took effect as of April 1, 2025, pursuant to House Bill 4611, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023.

**XXIV. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 664,215,957	\$ 740,277,480

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$ 356,768,335	\$ 380,369,171

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 312,001,149	\$ 324,261,494
Retirement Contributions. Estimated.		

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE	\$ 726,075,571	\$ 814,974,220
Group Insurance Contributions. Estimated.		

**XXV. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 173,154,266	\$ 183,397,819

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$ 95,625,740	\$ 95,287,119

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE MATCH -- EMPLOYER	\$ 271,814,234	\$ 281,878,350
State Match -- Employer. Estimated.		

**XXVI. SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO ALL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 7. Medicaid Informational Rider.** This rider is informational only and does not make any appropriations. The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is the single state agency for Title XIX, the Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid) in Texas. In addition to Medicaid program client services at HHSC, other health and human services agencies and HHSC receive appropriations for programs where Medicaid is a source of funding, categorized below as Programs Providing Client Services with Medicaid Funding. Additionally, Medicaid funds are used to support administrative functions of the agencies, categorized below as Medicaid Funding for Administration. Appropriations made elsewhere in Article II, Health and Human Services, of this Act related to the Medicaid program include the following amounts by agency and category:

<u>Agency Name</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Department of Family and Protective Services		
Medicaid Funding for Administration	\$ 5,291,876	\$ 5,146,812
Programs Providing Client Services with Medicaid Funding	\$ 19,075,297	\$ 19,396,153
Department of State Health Services		
Medicaid Funding for Administration	\$ 11,098,240	\$ 11,098,240
Health and Human Services Commission		
Medicaid Program Client Services	\$ 37,564,566,841	\$ 38,369,235,499
Medicaid Funding for Administration	\$ 2,116,909,857	\$ 2,110,134,523
Programs Providing Client Services with Medicaid Funding	\$ 1,174,057,929	\$ 1,186,923,895
Total, All Agencies	<u>\$ 40,891,000,040</u>	<u>\$ 41,701,935,122</u>
<u>Method of Financing:</u>		
General Revenue Funds	\$ 15,826,959,824	\$ 16,186,211,969
General Revenue-Dedicated Funds	\$ 62,343,530	\$ 62,343,530
Federal Funds	\$ 24,683,033,108	\$ 25,134,716,044
Other Funds	\$ 318,663,578	\$ 318,663,579
All Funds	<u>\$ 40,891,000,040</u>	<u>\$ 41,701,935,122</u>

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 8. Caseload and Expenditure Reporting Requirements.**

- (a) **Quarterly Forecasts.** The Health and Human Services Commission, in cooperation with operating agencies, shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor, at the end of each fiscal quarter, projected caseloads and related expenditure amounts, for the following programs:
- (1) Medicaid;
  - (2) Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and related programs;
  - (3) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families cash assistance;
  - (4) Women's Health Programs;
  - (5) State Facilities;
  - (6) Community Mental Health Services, including Behavioral Health Waivers;
  - (7) Early Childhood Intervention services; and
  - (8) Other programs upon request of the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor.

The reports shall be prepared in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

- (b) **Monthly Data.** The Health and Human Services Commission, or its designated operating agency, shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor, at the end of each month, caseload and related expenditure amounts for the programs identified in subsection (a). The data shall be submitted in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board.
- (c) At the request of the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor, supporting documentation detailing the sources and methodologies utilized to develop any caseload or cost projections contained in the report and any other supporting material must be provided.
- (d) In the event that the forecasting function is transferred to another agency, the requirement for the Health and Human Services Commission to provide quarterly forecasts under Subsection (a) shall apply to the other agency.
- (e) **TCCO Quarterly Forecasts.** The Texas Civil Commitment Office (TCCO) shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor, at the end of each fiscal quarter, projected caseloads and related expenditure amounts for offsite healthcare in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 14. Limitation: Expenditure and Transfer of Public Health Medicaid Reimbursements.**

- (a) **Appropriations.** Included in the amounts appropriated to the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) are the following amounts of Public Health Medicaid Reimbursements (Account No. 709):

- (1) Department of State Health Services:
  - (A) Strategy A.4.1, Laboratory Services: \$68,066,501 in fiscal year 2026 and \$68,696,868 in fiscal year 2027;
  - (B) Strategy B.2.2, Texas Primary Care Office: \$211,521 in each fiscal year; and
  - (C) Strategy E.1.1, Central Administration: \$366,935 in each fiscal year.
- (2) Health and Human Services Commission:
  - (A) Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services: \$69,245,724 in fiscal year 2026 and \$69,245,724 in fiscal year 2027.

Revenue from Account No. 709 shall be distributed first to the item(s) in Subsection (a)(1) until the full amount of those appropriations is satisfied. Revenue from Account No. 709 shall be distributed to the appropriate agency within ten business days of receipt.

Appropriations from Account No. 709 shall be expended prior to utilization of General Revenue or General Revenue-Dedicated Funds in strategies identified in this subsection. In the event General Revenue or General Revenue-Dedicated Funds have been expended prior to the receipt of appropriations from Account No. 709, DSHS or HHSC shall reimburse General Revenue or General Revenue-Dedicated on a monthly basis.

(b) **Limitation on Use of Public Health Medicaid Reimbursements (Account 709).**

- (1) In the event that Public Health Medicaid Reimbursement revenues exceed the amounts noted above in a fiscal year, the funds are transferred to the Newborn Screening Preservation Account, established in Health and Safety Code, Section 33.052.
- (2) In the event that screens on the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel are not currently offered by DSHS, DSHS may provide notification of the intent to expend the funds available in the Newborn Screening Preservation Account 5183 up to \$12,000,000 for the biennium. The notification must be provided to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor at least 30 days prior to the expenditure.
- (3) In the event that screens on the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel are not currently offered by DSHS, DSHS may request to expend the funds available in the Newborn Screening Preservation Account 5183 exceeding \$12,000,000 for the biennium. The request shall include the following information:
  - (A) a detailed explanation of the purpose(s) of the increase in expenditure and whether the expenditure will be one-time or ongoing;
  - (B) the name of the strategy or strategies affected by the increase/decrease and the FTEs for each strategy by fiscal year;
  - (C) the impact on performance levels, and, where relevant, a comparison to targets included in this Act for the affected strategy or strategies; and
  - (D) the impact of the expenditure on the capital budget.

The request shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date the Legislative Budget Board staff concludes its review of the proposal to expend the funds and forwards the review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any requests for additional information made by the Legislative Budget Board shall interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.

- (4) In the event that the notification occurs in b(2) or the request in b(3) is approved, notwithstanding the limitations of Article IX, Section 14.03, Transfers-Capital Budget, DSHS is authorized to transfer from a non-capital budget item to an existing capital budget item or a new capital budget item to implement the new test using funds from the Newborn Screening Preservation Account. DSHS will provide a prior written notification to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's office.
  - (5) In the event that the notification occurs in b(2) or the request in b(3) is approved, any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, are appropriated to DSHS for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025, for the same purpose. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to DSHS for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.
  - (6) In the event that Public Health Medicaid Reimbursement revenues and balances are insufficient to support appropriations amounts identified in subsection (a), a reduction shall be made in HHSC Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services.
- (c) **Addition of New Newborn Screening.** In the event that additional screens are added to the Recommended Uniform Screening Panel in the biennium, additional revenue from the account shall be used as follows:
- (1) fund DSHS increased cost for the test; and
  - (2) deposited to the credit of the Newborn Screening Preservation Account, established in Health and Safety Code, Section 33.052.

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 26. Reporting on Court Monitor Fees.** Out of funds appropriated above, the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) and the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) are authorized to pay reasonable costs related to court monitoring invoices in M.D. v. Abbott. DFPS and HHSC are prohibited from expending funds for court monitoring invoices unless the services relate directly to compliance with a remedial order and are sufficiently described therein.

DFPS in collaboration with HHSC shall report no later than 60 business days from the end of each quarter the amount billed from the court monitors and all agency costs related to the federal litigation. The report shall be prepared in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board and shall include, but not limited to:

- (1) Invoices submitted by court monitors and what specific remedial orders and services were provided;
- (2) The number of facilities under heightened monitoring, including the type of facility, when the facility was placed under heightened monitoring and the licensed or actual capacity of the facility;
- (3) The number of facilities that have exited heightened monitoring and how they exited;
- (4) How many providers relinquished their licenses with DFPS; and
- (5) The total number of DFPS and HHSC staff with responsibility for heightened monitoring activities and associated expenditures.

The report shall be provided to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Human Services, the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, and any standing joint Legislative Oversight Committees, as appropriate.

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 31. STAR Health Services Coordination.** Not later than August 31, 2026, the Health and Human Services Commission shall, in collaboration with the STAR Health managed care organization and the Department of Family and Protective Services, develop written protocols to operationalize the service coordination requirements in the STAR Health Medicaid managed care contract. The written protocols should, at a minimum, define a process through which a STAR Health service coordinator participates in the development of the Child's Plan of Service and defines the service coordinator's role in facilitating access to all STAR Health covered services identified in the plan.

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 32. Texas Child Centered Care (T3C).** Out of funds appropriated above to the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), the agency in consultation with the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), shall review assumptions related to the Texas Child Centered Care System for Child Placing Agencies and General Residential Operations, including evaluating any regulatory and contractual requirements revisions.

Out of funds appropriated above to HHSC in Goal L, System Oversight & Program Support, HHSC shall recommend the DFPS reimbursement rates based upon the analysis of preliminary cost information and pro-forma model updates that incorporates the assumption review by DFPS.



ARTICLE III

XXVII. TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 819,779,562	\$ 519,335,756

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Available School Fund No. 002	\$ 2,370,324,159	\$ 3,401,134,000

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Technology and Instructional Materials Fund No. 003	\$ 1,293,807,963	\$ 285,112,791

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Foundation School Fund No. 193	\$ 12,393,324,819	\$ 9,630,728,938

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Lottery Proceeds	\$ 1,852,573,000	\$ 1,830,506,000

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Property Tax Relief Fund	\$ 11,919,041,000	\$ 12,217,321,000

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Tax Reduction and Excellence in Education Fund	\$ 2,190,727,000	\$ 2,358,502,000

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Recapture Payments - Attendance Credits	\$ 3,106,234,695	\$ 3,425,401,408

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> FSP - EQUALIZED OPERATIONS Foundation School Program - Equalized Operations.	\$ 32,769,942,887	\$ 31,818,757,877

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> FSP - EQUALIZED FACILITIES Foundation School Program - Equalized Facilities.	\$ 1,122,968,324	\$ 1,119,506,559

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STATEWIDE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS	\$ 555,311,596	\$ 309,861,595

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.4. Strategy:</b> SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT & SUPPORT PGMS Grants for School and Program Improvement and Innovation.	\$ 340,223,247	\$ 340,223,247

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Total Average Daily Attendance (ADA) - Includes Regular and Charter Schools	5,094,473	5,118,840

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Total Average Daily Attendance (ADA) - Open-enrollment Charter Schools Only	420,561	436,040

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Special Education Full-time Equivalents (FTEs)	225,186	234,934

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Compensatory Education Student Count	3,451,728	3,447,892

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Career and Technical Education Full-time Equivalents (FTEs)	417,203	430,311

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Bilingual Education/English as a Second Language Average Daily Attendance	960,585	989,972

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Foundation School Program Funding.** In addition to funds appropriated above, the Foundation School Program is funded with local school district tax revenue. Local school district tax rates are adopted by locally elected school board trustees. Local school property tax rates are not set by the Legislature.

Out of the funds appropriated above, and any other funds appropriated for the Foundation School Program during the 2026-27 biennium, a total of \$33,910,046,813 in fiscal year 2026 and

\$32,955,400,038 in fiscal year 2027 shall represent the sum-certain appropriation to the Foundation School Program. The total appropriation may not exceed the sum-certain amount. This appropriation includes allocations under Texas Education Code, Chapters 46, 48 and 49. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the same purposes.

Formula Funding: The Commissioner shall make allocations to local school districts under Chapters 46, 48 and 49 based on:

- (a) estimates of average daily attendance provided by the Texas Education Agency in March 2025;
- (b) local district tax rates as determined by the Legislative Budget Board;
- (c) final tax year 2024 property values; and
- (d) assumed increases in property values, and the estimates of local tax collections on which they are based, as estimated by the Comptroller of Public Accounts, of 5.60 percent for tax year 2025 and by 3.60 percent for tax year 2026.

The estimates identified in subsections (a) - (d) are projections provided by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and Texas Education Agency and used solely to determine initial state aid payments to school districts, and do not factor into the calculations of local tax base changes. Actual property value changes are determined by local appraisal districts.

Not later than October 1, 2026, and pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.269, the TEA shall submit to the LBB estimates of student attendance and projections for allotments under Texas Education Code Sections 48.107, 48.110, 48.112, 48.114, 48.151, 48.153, 48.155, 48.156, 48.307, and 48.308.

Not later than October 1, 2026, and pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.269, the CPA shall submit to the LBB estimated statewide taxable property value for tax years 2025 and 2026, including estimated growth of taxable value from tax year 2025 to tax year 2026, and projected statewide taxable property value for tax years 2027 and 2028.

To the extent that estimates provided for in subsections (a) - (d) above differ from a school district's actual average daily attendance, tax rates, property values, or local tax collections, the Commissioner shall settle-up with local school districts pursuant to Rider 7, Appropriation of Audit Adjustments, Settle-Up Funds and Attendance Credit Revenues and applicable provisions in Texas Education Code, Chapters 46, 48, and 49.

For purposes of distributing the Foundation School Program basic tier state aid appropriated above and in accordance with Texas Education Code, Section 48.051, the Basic Allotment is established at \$6,160 in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,160 fiscal year 2027.

For purposes of distributing the Foundation School Program enrichment tier state aid appropriated above and in accordance with Section 48.202(a-1)(1), the Guaranteed Yield is \$132.40 in fiscal year 2026 and \$140.02 in fiscal year 2027, and in accordance with Section 48.202(a-1)(2), the Guaranteed Yield is \$49.28 in fiscal year 2026 and \$49.28 in fiscal year 2027.

Included in amounts appropriated above and allocated by this rider to the Foundation School Program, \$100,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium out of the Foundation School Fund No. 193 is for the New Instructional Facilities Allotment under Texas Education Code, Section 48.152.

Included in amounts appropriated above and allocated by this rider to the Foundation School Program, and pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.115, the School Safety Allotment is set at \$10 per student in average daily attendance, plus \$1 per student in average daily attendance for every \$50 by which the district's maximum basic allotment under Section 48.051 exceeds \$6,160, and \$15,000 per campus, estimated to be \$185,000,000 in each fiscal year.

Included in amounts appropriated above and allocated by this rider to the Foundation School Program, and pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.307, Additional State Aid for State-Approved Instructional Materials is set at \$40 per enrolled student in each fiscal year for procuring instructional materials that have been approved by the SBOE. Included in amounts appropriated above and allocated by this rider to the Foundation School Program, and pursuant to Section 48.308, Additional State Aid For Open Education Resource Instructional Material, is an amount not to exceed \$20 for each student for printing and shipping of open education resource instructional materials. Notwithstanding Rider 19, Limitation on the Transfer and Use of Funds, TEA may transfer amounts from the Foundation School Program under Sections 48.307 and 48.308, estimated to be \$258,648,122 in fiscal year 2026 and \$272,632,674 in fiscal year 2027, to Strategy B.2.1, Technology/Instructional Materials, to implement

the provisions of HB1605, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session.

Included in amounts appropriated above and allocated by this rider to the Foundation School Program, \$100,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium out of the Foundation School Fund No. 193 is for the Gifted and Talented Student Allotment under Texas Education Code, Section 48.109.

From the amount appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency for Strategy A.1.1, FSP - Equalized Operations, in each year of the 2026-27 biennium, the Commissioner may not spend more than the amount that, together with all other amounts appropriated from the Foundation School Fund or another source of the Foundation School Program or for paying the costs of school property tax relief, is necessary to achieve a tax rate compression percentage, as defined by Texas Education Code, Sections 48.255, 48.2551, and 48.2552, and fully fund the school funding formulas under Texas Education Code, Chapters 48 and 49, without the prior approval of the Legislative Budget Board.

Pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.2552(c), in fiscal year 2026, the state compression percentage as calculated in Texas Education Code, Section 48.255, shall be reduced by 3.31 percentage points.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Texas Education Agency may:

- (a) make transfers as appropriate between Strategy A.1.1, FSP - Equalized Operations, and Strategy A.1.2, FSP - Equalized Facilities; and
- (b) transfer Foundation School Program funds from fiscal year 2027 to 2026 to the extent necessary to avoid reductions in state aid as authorized by Texas Education Code, Section 48.266(f).

The Texas Education Agency shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor of any such transfers at least 15 business days prior to the transfer.

The Texas Education Agency shall submit reports on the prior month's expenditures on programs described by this rider no later than the 20th day of each month to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office in a format determined by the Legislative Budget Board in cooperation with the agency.

Contingent on the Commissioner of Education identifying a budget surplus of Foundation School Program funds appropriated above in either fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium, the Commissioner shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor in writing no later than 30 calendar days before taking any action pursuant to the Texas Education Code, Sections 7.062, 48.258, 48.259, 48.260, 48.261, or 48.265.

Appropriations provided above in Strategy A.1.1, FSP-Equalized Operations, fully fund an estimated \$3,059,100,000 to reflect changes in student population projections.

**T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Windham Schools.** The funds appropriated above in Strategy B.2.4, Windham School District, are to be expended to support academic and career and technical education (CTE) programs approved by the Texas Education Agency. The Commissioner of Education shall allocate \$75,995,955 in each fiscal year of the biennium to the Windham School District based on contact hours for the best 180 of 210 school days in each year of the biennium. The contact hour rates for the 2026-27 biennium are estimated to be: \$7.83459 for academic education, \$7.59383 for CTE.

The Windham School District shall use funds appropriated above to serve those students whose participation will help achieve the goals of reduced recidivism and the increased success of former students in obtaining and maintaining employment. To achieve these goals, people with the earliest projected release or parole eligibility dates should receive high priority. This policy shall not preclude the Windham School District from serving other populations according to needs and resources. For students who successfully complete the district's program during the 2024-25 biennium, the Windham School District shall report to the Ninetieth Legislature on the following: recidivism rates, employment rates, and attainment of certificates of high school equivalency, high school diplomas, professional certifications, and adult education literacy levels.

**U. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:**

**Student Testing Program.** The Commissioner shall use the Federal Funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Assessment and Accountability System, to cover the cost of developing, administering, and scoring assessment instruments in the student testing program. Any remaining costs associated with

developing, administering, or scoring the assessment instruments required under Texas Education Code, Chapter 39, Subchapter B shall be paid from amounts appropriated above from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy B.1.1, Assessment and Accountability System.

Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1 in the 2026-27 biennium is \$70,000,000 appropriated from the General Revenue Fund for the purposes of implementing House Bill 3906, 86th Legislature. Unless transferred in accordance with the limitations specified in Texas Education Agency Rider 19, Limitation on the Transfer and Use of Funds, the Texas Education Agency shall not transfer any funds for the purposes of implementing House Bill 3906, 86th Legislature from Foundation School Fund 193 in the 2026-27 biennium.

Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1 is not more than \$4,418,832 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium for the purposes of implementing House Bill 1225, 88th Legislature, Regular Session.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

V. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Funding for Students with Disabilities.**

- (a) This rider identifies dedicated funding for students with disabilities to provide clarity and transparency of funding from Strategies A.2.3, Students with Disabilities; and A.2.4, School Improvement and Supports.
- (b) In this Act all discretionary grants of state or federal funds by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Texas School for the Deaf shall be considered independent school districts for purposes of eligibility determination, unless the Commissioner of Education and the school's superintendents mutually agree to an alternate consideration.
- (c) From funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.3, Students with Disabilities, the following amounts shall be set aside and/or allocated from federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part B, discretionary funds for the activities described below:
  - (1) An amount not to exceed \$13,500,000 in the biennium for the purchase of accessibility remediation of instructional materials, captioning of video and multimedia instructional materials, braille, large print, and related materials for students with disabilities.
  - (2) A set-aside of 10.5 percent during the biennium, to fund:
    - (A) capacity building projects, including professional development and support, for school districts to provide access to the general curriculum in the least restrictive environment for students with disabilities; and
    - (B) multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) processes for struggling learners in general education settings.

Regarding (c)(2), before August 31, 2027, TEA shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and post on the agency's website a report that includes the following information: the total amount awarded to the Texas Education Agency through IDEA, Part B; the amount of IDEA, Part B funds set aside and reserved for state-level activities; and the amount of funds set aside to fund capacity building projects, including professional development and support, for school districts to provide access to the general curriculum in the least restrictive environment for students with disabilities and MTSS processes for struggling learners in general education settings, as required by this rider.

- (3) \$1,297,281 in each fiscal year of the biennium for the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, to support classroom instruction.
- (4) \$457,679 in each fiscal year of the biennium for the Texas School for the Deaf, to support classroom instruction.
- (5) \$150,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to provide technical assistance to dyslexia specialists employed at the Regional Education Service Centers pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 8.061. The Regional Education Service Centers shall ensure that

resources are used efficiently to provide a specialist to any school district or charter school that needs a specialist.

- (6) An amount not to exceed \$200,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to continue a program of providing state adopted instructional materials using digital audio technology for students with visual impairment and other print disabilities as appropriate in prekindergarten through 12th grade.
- (7) An amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium for the purpose of conducting an educational outreach program to provide instructional materials in accessible formats to individuals with print disabilities, affording reading accommodation and providing instruction and training in the use of accessible instructional materials and related assistive technology.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, for items 1-7 above are appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

- (d) The commissioner shall implement the provisions of IDEA, pertaining to a local educational agency risk pool. The Commissioner shall allocate allowable amounts under IDEA for each fiscal year of the biennium to establish a Texas high-cost fund to assist districts and charter schools with high need students with disabilities. It is the intent of the Legislature that these funds be used by school districts and charter schools in a manner that does not violate the least restrictive environment requirements of IDEA, relating to placement and state funding systems that distribute funds based on type of setting.
- (e) From funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.4, School Improvement and Support Programs, the Commissioner shall allocate \$1,250,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to support the Best Buddies Program. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.
- (f) From General Revenue Fund appropriations above in Strategy A.2.3, Students with Disabilities, the following amounts shall be set-aside and/or allocated for the following activities:
  - (1) \$5,655,268 in each fiscal year of the biennium for statewide services for students with visual impairments as authorized under Texas Education Code, Section 30.002.
  - (2) \$987,300 in each fiscal year of the biennium for non-educational community-based support services for certain students with disabilities as authorized under Texas Education Code, Section 29.013.
  - (3) \$125,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to provide technical assistance to dyslexia specialists employed at the Regional Education Service Centers pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 8.061. The Regional Education Service Centers shall ensure that resources are used efficiently to provide a specialist to any school district or charter school that needs one.
  - (4) \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to provide grants to organizations that provide statewide, Unified Sports, comprehensive early child development to adult transition programs with data-based health, social, leadership, transition and athletic programs for students with intellectual disabilities.
  - (5) \$10,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to provide competitive grants for innovative services for students with autism. The grants must prioritize meaningful inclusion of students with autism across all school settings.
  - (6) Up to \$200,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to focus on state level professional development for school personnel and parents of student with autism including a focus on identification of such students.
  - (7) \$33,133,200 in each fiscal year of the biennium for funding for Regional Day School Programs for the Deaf, to be allocated on a weighted full-time equivalent basis. Notwithstanding other provisions of this Act, if the allocations total more than \$33,133,200 in each fiscal year, the Commissioner shall transfer sufficient amounts from other available funds to provide the full allocation.
  - (8) A set-aside of \$16,498,102 in each fiscal year of the biennium from the Special Education allotment for transfer to the Health and Human Services Commission to support Early Childhood Intervention eligibility determinations and comprehensive transition services.

TEA shall enter into an Interagency Contract (IAC) with the Health and Human Services Commission for the purpose of providing funds to Early Childhood Intervention contractors for eligibility determination and comprehensive transition services. The IAC shall include a listing of the specific services that the funding will support and other provisions the agencies deem necessary. TEA shall provide a signed copy of the IAC to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor, no later than October 1, 2026.

- (9) An amount not to exceed \$500,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium for the purpose of conducting an educational outreach program to provide instructional materials in accessible formats to individuals with print disabilities affording reading accommodation and providing instruction and training in the use of accessible instructional materials and related assistive technology.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, for items (f) 1-9 above are appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

W. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation Limited Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the programs pursuant to the statutes referenced below shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of the appropriations made to support the programs above in Strategies B.3.2 - B.3.5, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with those programs. Direct costs for the programs referenced below are estimated to be \$31,870,549 in fiscal year 2026 and \$28,863,696 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" for these programs are estimated to be \$2,227,739 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,248,864 in fiscal year 2027:

Program	Statutory Reference
Guaranteed Program for School District and Charter School Bonds	TEC Sec. 45.055
Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency	TEC Sec. 7.111
Educator Certification	TEC Sec. 21.041
Criminal History Background Check	TEC Sec. 22.0837
Educator Preparation Program Approval and Accountability	TEC Sec. 21.041
Texas High Performance Schools Consortium Fee	TEC Sec. 7.0561

In the event that actual and/or projected fee revenue collections are insufficient to offset program costs, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided for these programs to be within the amount of fee revenue expected to be available.

All fees collected in excess of the Comptroller of Public Accounts Biennial Revenue Estimate for each individual fee program are appropriated to the Texas Education Agency to be spent on the program that generated the fees. Under no circumstances may the Texas Education Agency expend fees collected from one program in support of another program.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

X. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Gateway and Online Resources.** Out of appropriations from the General Revenue Fund above in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Educational Programs, the Commissioner shall allocate \$7,302,500 in each fiscal year of the biennium to support online educator and student resources. From amounts referenced above, the Commissioner shall set aside funds for the following purposes:

- (a) \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium for the hosting, and maintenance of online educator and student educational resources and the secure provisioning of user accounts;
- (b) \$1,352,500 in each fiscal year the biennium for the Lesson Study Initiative which include teacher development of best-practice lessons and supporting tools;
- (c) \$1,950,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to reimburse districts for costs and fees related to students taking On Ramps Dual Enrollment courses and fees associated with instructor training related to OnRamps; and
- (d) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to reimburse district costs related to professional development provided by UTeach and other providers, focused on improving blended-learning

teacher preparation.

To ensure effective monitoring of programs funded by this rider and the efficient use of public resources, the Commissioner of Education may use funds appropriated above and allocated by this rider to develop tools necessary to collect, manage, and analyze performance data on the programs funded by this rider. The Texas Education Agency shall notify the Legislative Budget Board at least 30 calendar days prior to the date the agency expects to expend funds for such purposes.

The Commissioner shall report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor expenditure and performance data by October 1 of each fiscal year of the biennium. The information submitted must include:

- (a) Measures of program impact, including the number of school districts and open-enrollment charter schools served; the number of campuses served; the number of teachers served; and the number of students served by the program;
- (b) Measures of program effectiveness, including student achievement and teacher growth; and
- (c) Program expenditures delineated by activity.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**Y.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Open Education Resource Instructional Materials and High-Quality Instructional Materials Supports.**

- (a) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.2.1, Technology and Instructional Materials, the commissioner shall set aside \$10,000,000 from the State Instructional Materials and Technology Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium to make open education resource material available for use by school districts in accordance with Texas Education Code, Section 31.071. It is the intent of the Legislature that the agency should prioritize the inclusion of:
  - (1) full subject tier one instructional materials in English language arts and mathematics courses in kindergarten through grade eight;
  - (2) prekindergarten, in subject areas related to English language arts and mathematics; and
  - (3) all foundation curriculum courses in kindergarten through grade five in a manner that permits the instruction of the content to be provided in an integrated manner; and for approximately 240 minutes of instructional time per day, including time needed each day for accelerated instruction under Texas Education Code, Section 28.0211.

The commissioner shall collaborate with the commissioner of higher education to ensure that the rigor level of any open education resource instructional materials for dual credit courses is reflective of collegiate expectations.

- (b) From General Revenue Fund appropriations above in Strategy B.3.2, Agency Operations, the commissioner shall set aside \$13,797,168 in each fiscal year of the biennium to support Open Education Resources (OER) Educator and Parent Advisory Boards and OER continuous improvement review and development.
- (c) From General Revenue Fund appropriations above in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Educational Programs, the commissioner shall allocate \$98,876,780 in each fiscal year of the biennium to provide funding and resources to support school systems in the use of high-quality instructional materials, including OER. From this amount, the commissioner shall set-aside and/or allocate funds for the following purposes:
  - (1) \$6,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to provide school districts assistance in evaluating, adopting, or using instructional materials as required by Texas Education Code, Section 31.0251.
  - (2) \$12,050,499 in each fiscal year of the biennium for campus classroom and district-wide reviews of instructional materials as required by Texas Education Code, Section 31.0252

(e).



- (3) \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to support educator preparation programs to meet the requirements of Texas Education Code, Section 21.044 (a-1) (4) and Section 31.0753 relating to required training on OER instructional materials.
- (4) \$75,826,281 in each fiscal year of the biennium to support school districts in the implementation and professional development of the OER instructional materials products as required by Texas Education Code, Section 31.0752.
- (d) The commissioner shall require that any external entity developing open education resource instructional materials funded by this rider provide any data deemed necessary to assess the progress and success in developing such materials. The commissioner shall annually submit a report by September 1 to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House, the Legislative Budget Board, and the presiding officers of the standing committees of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over public education. The report shall include information on the number and type of open education resource instructional materials developed, use of those materials by school districts and open-enrollment charter schools, and plans for assessing the effectiveness of those materials.
- (e) Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, for items (a) - (c) above are appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**Z.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Student Physical Activity Requirements and Fitness Assessment.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy B.2.2, Health and Safety, the Commissioner of Education shall allocate \$1,900,000 in the 2026-27 biennium in appropriations from the General Revenue Fund for the purposes of physical activity requirements, fitness assessments requirements and related analyses. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no amount of this funding may be expended for any other purpose except as described in this rider.

Notwithstanding Rider 19, Limitation on the Transfer and Use of Funds, out of amounts appropriated above and allocated by this rider, the Texas Education Agency may transfer an amount not to exceed \$300,000 in the 2026-27 biennium to Strategy B.3.2, Agency Operations, to use in managing and analyzing physical activity requirements and fitness assessment data provided by school districts, as required by Texas Education Code, Section 38.104.

It is the intent of the Legislature that the agency enter into an agreement with a Physical Activity and Physical Assessment Instrument provider that complies with the activities under subchapter C, Chapter 38, Education Code to provide such services.

All other funding directed by this rider shall be used to provide grants to school districts to support the administration of physical fitness assessments and related activities required by Texas Education Code, Section 38.101 and Section 38.103.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**AA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Public Education State Funding Transparency.** Out of funds appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency, the agency shall evaluate, for the existing and prior four biennia, state aid provided through the Foundation School Program for school districts per student in average daily attendance and per student in weighted average daily attendance. In its evaluation, the agency shall compare state aid with the rate of inflation and other factors impacting school district costs. The agency shall report its findings to the Governor, the Legislative Budget Board, and the appropriate legislative education standing committees by January 1, 2026.

No later than January 1, 2027, the Texas Education Agency shall report on its external website the following information related to the Foundation School Program for fiscal years 2016 through 2026:

- (a) the average daily attendance for charter holders;
- (b) the average daily attendance for school districts;
- (c) local revenue for public education;
- (d) state aid for public education;

- (e) the amount of state aid provided per student in average daily attendance for school districts, represented in constant dollars;
- (f) the amount of state aid provided per student in average daily attendance for charter holders, represented in constant dollars;
- (g) the amount of recapture revenue, represented in constant dollars and disaggregated by school district;
- (h) the total amount of funding provided to school districts, represented in constant dollars.

Constant dollars should consider the rate of inflation and other factors impacting school district costs.

**AB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Property Tax Relief.**

- (a) Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) is an estimated \$51.0 billion for the 2026-27 biennium to provide new tax relief and to maintain tax relief provided by the legislature following the enactment of House Bill 3, Eighty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session.
- (b) Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and in Subsection (a) is an estimated \$3.5 billion for the 2026-27 biennium to maintain property tax relief provided by the Eighty-eighth Legislature following the enactment of House Bill 3, Eighty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, and the enactment of Senate Bill 2 and HJR2, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Second Called Session, and subsequent voter approval of the associated constitutional amendment.
- (c) Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) in Strategy A.1.1, is an estimated \$1,840.0 million for the 2026-27 biennium from Foundation School Fund No. 193 for compression of district property tax rates due to district property value growth, pursuant to Texas Education Code, Sections 48.2551 and 48.2552 (a) and (b).
- (d) Included in amounts appropriated above to TEA in Strategy A.1.1 and in addition to amounts in Subsection (c), is an estimated \$767.1 million for the 2026-27 biennium from Foundation School Fund No. 193 to reduce the state compression percentage by 3.31 percentage points, due to state savings resulting from the limitation on district Maximum Compressed Rates (MCRs) during the prior biennium, pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.2552(c).
- (e) Included in amounts appropriated above and in Subsection (a) is \$3,900,000,000 for the 2026-27 biennium to provide property tax relief, contingent on the enactment of SB 4 and SJR 2; SB 23 and SJR 85; HB 9 and HJR 1; or similar legislation relating to providing property tax relief through the public school finance system by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, and subsequent voter approval of the associated constitutional amendment proposed by the legislation to exempt a portion of the market value of business personal property from ad valorem taxation by a school district and to increase the amount of the exemption of residence homesteads from ad valorem taxation by a school district.
- (f) Should any of the legislation in Subsection (e) of this rider fail to become law, the appropriations made by this rider are subject to the prior approval before expenditure authority of the LBB as provided by Texas Constitution, Article 16, Section 69, and the LBB may request that the comptroller reduce the appropriations identified by this rider to facilitate the exercise of that constitutional authority.
- (g) On September 1, 2025, the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund into the Property Tax Relief Fund \$9,400,000,000. On September 1, 2026, the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund into the Property Tax Relief Fund \$9,400,000,000.
- (h) In calculating district MCRs pursuant to Texas Education Code, Section 48.2551(d), it is the intent of the legislature that TEA confer with the Legislative Budget Board and the Comptroller of Public Accounts prior to publication of final district MCRs. It is the intent of the legislature that any property tax relief directed by Subsection (e) be included in the calculation of district MCRs for fiscal year 2026.

**AC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Contingency for Education Savings Account.**

- (a) Notwithstanding Rider 19, Limitation on Transfer and Use of Funds, from amounts transferred from the Educational Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts for administrative activities related to the Education Savings Account program, the agency shall allocate up to \$3,847,499 in fiscal year 2026 in strategies B.3.2, Agency Operations, and B.3.5, Information Systems - Technology, to implement the provisions of ESA legislation.
- (b) Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**AD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Navigating Excellence Through Targeted Supports Initiative.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency in Strategy A.2.4, School Improvement and Support, from the General Revenue Fund is \$1,750,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to establish a Navigating Excellence Through Targeted Supports Initiative grant.

It is the intent of the legislature that the Navigating Excellence Through Targeted Supports Initiative grant support low performing elementary school campuses at school districts and open-enrollment charters. Grantees should prioritize personalized intervention supports focused on high quality math and/or reading language arts curriculum and instructional supports, aligned targeted tutoring, and include community and parent engagement efforts. The agency may utilize outcomes-based metrics in the selection of grantees to incentivize academic growth.

Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency in Strategy B.3.2, Agency Operations, from the General Revenue Fund is \$250,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to support the planning, data collection, and administration necessary for implementing the initiative.

The commissioner shall notify the Legislative Budget Board, the Office of the Governor and the presiding officers of the standing committees of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over public education; produce and post to the agency's website by August 31, 2026 and August 31, 2027, a report that includes information on grantees, the number and type of supports provided by each grantee, student performance data, and other information on the effectiveness of the initiative.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**AE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Transfer of Unexpended Balances Between Biennia.** The Texas Education Agency (TEA) shall provide written notice to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor of intent to carry forward unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, from fiscal year 2025 to fiscal year 2026 for the following programs at least 15 calendar days prior to the execution of such transfers. The notice shall include an explanation of why the balances were unexpended during fiscal year 2025 and shall describe TEA's plans to fully encumber and/or expend during the 2026-27 biennium both the transferred balances and funding appropriated for the 2026-27 biennium by this Act for the same programs.

- (a) Rider 62, Interagency Cybersecurity Initiative for Public Schools
- (b) Rider 81, Unexpended Balances Appropriation: Acquisition of Information Resource Technology
- (c) Rider 82, Unexpended Balances of Earned Federal Funds

It is the intent of the Legislature that any unexpended balances carried forward into fiscal year 2026 authorized by the riders listed above not be included in the 2028-29 biennium baseline budget request.

**AF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Audit of the Texas Education Agency.** In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 321, the State Auditor's Office (SAO) shall conduct a comprehensive forensic audit of all institutional functions, programs, and operations of contracts, grants, and administration of the Texas Education Agency, including its administration and oversight of open-enrollment charter schools.

The audit shall identify all unallowable expenses, including payments, purchases, administrative and executive compensation, salary transactions, and contracted services and shall identify improvements to administration and oversight functions. The SAO shall provide an audit report, including all related findings, by September 1, 2026. The report should be provided to the Speaker of the House, Lieutenant Governor, House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Delivery of Government Efficiency Committee.

**AG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Grant Program for Out of School Programs.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Education Agency, is \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue fund in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Education Programs, to provide a grant for facilities and out of school programs for students 12-18 years old in Comal County. It is the intent of the Legislature that the grantee be a non-profit organization, such as the New Braunfels Youth Collaborative.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**AH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Kickstart Kids Program.** Included in funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Educational Programs, is \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to be used to implement the Kickstart Kids Program.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**AI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Pathways Pilot Program.** Included in funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Educational Programs, is \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to be used to implement the Pathways Pilot Program.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**XXVIII. EDUCATION PROGRAMS – COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Education Savings Account Fund	\$ 1,000,000,000	\$ UB

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	28.0	28.0

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**A. Goal:** PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES  
Provide Educational Opportunities To Students

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT PROGRAM	\$ 1,000,000,000	\$ UB

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Education Savings Account Transfers.**

- (a) On September 1, 2025, the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund into the Education Savings Account Fund \$1,000,000,000.
- (b) Included in amounts appropriated above to the Education Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts (EP - CPA), in Strategy A.1.1, Education Savings Account Program, and contingent on enactment of legislation relating to the establishment of an education savings account (ESA) program by Senate Bill 2, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, is \$1,000,000,000 from the Education Savings Account Fund for fiscal year 2026 and 28.0 FTEs for each fiscal year of the biennium to implement the provisions of the legislation.
- (c) From amounts appropriated in Subsection (b), EP - CPA shall transfer \$3,847,499 in fiscal year 2026 to the Texas Education Agency to implement the provisions of Senate Bill 2, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session.
- (d) Notwithstanding Article IX, Section 14.03, Transfers - Capital Budget, EP - CPA may submit a request for capital budget authority for a new project to implement the provisions of Senate Bill 2, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session. EP - CPA shall provide to the LBB information about the request and how it serves to implement the provisions of the legislation. A request by EP - CPA to transfer funds under this subsection of this rider shall be considered to be approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 15 business days after the date the LBB staff concludes its review of the request and forwards the review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any requests for additional information made by the LBB interrupt the counting of the 15 business days.
- (e) Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**XXIX. SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 29,114,473	\$ 28,364,473

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> SHORT-TERM PROGRAMS	\$ 1,861,083	\$ 1,861,083
Provide Summer School and Short-term Programs to Meet Students' Needs.		

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> RELATED AND SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 11,102,364	\$ 10,952,364
Provide Regular and Short-term Related and Support Services.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	\$ 3,077,692	\$ 3,077,692
Provide Technical Asst for Families/Programs Serving Visually Impaired.		

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> PROF ED IN VISUAL IMPAIRMENT Professional Education in Visual Impairment.	\$ 1,680,705	\$ 1,680,705

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.2. Strategy:</b> OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 1,855,573	\$ 1,255,573

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Administrative & Infrastructure Upgrades	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000
(2) Instructional Materials and Technology	<u>280,000</u>	<u>280,000</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 308,000	\$ 308,000
b. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1) Campus Security Upgrades	\$ 600,000	\$ 0
Total, Capital Budget	<u>\$ 908,000</u>	<u>\$ 308,000</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 908,000	\$ 308,000
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$ 908,000</u>	<u>\$ 308,000</u>

XXX. SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	446.1	446.1

XXXI. TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 3,692,446,093	\$ 3,799,036,860

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director	\$ 588,500	\$ 588,500

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>###.###.###</b> ACTIVE EMPLOYEE HEALTHCARE Healthcare for Public Ed Active Employees.	\$ 0	\$ 0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Pension Plan Design Study.** Out of funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) shall produce a report that compares TRS’ current defined benefit plan with alternative benefit plan designs. The report shall consider workforce and demographic trends among TRS members and retirees and the actuarial and fiscal impacts of the alternative plan designs. The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor no later than September 1, 2026.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Outside Legal Counsel.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) shall confer with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) before approving any settlement sought by TRS with its outside legal counsel contracted in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026 for healthcare related claims and litigation. This provision does not apply to settlements sought by TRS for subrogation cases or other cases defended by the Office of the Attorney General. The request shall be considered to be approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 15 business days of the date upon receipt.

XXXII. HIGHER EDUCATION EMPLOYEES GROUP INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 914,236,390	\$ 987,332,095

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Texas Department of Insurance Operating Fund Account No. 036	\$ 3,581,981	\$ 3,868,540

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> UT - ARLINGTON The University of Texas at Arlington.	\$ 17,017,573	\$ 18,378,979

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> UT - AUSTIN The University of Texas at Austin.	\$ 32,471,846	\$ 35,069,595

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> UT - DALLAS The University of Texas at Dallas.	\$ 14,359,288	\$ 15,508,032

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> UT - EL PASO The University of Texas at El Paso.	\$ 16,302,586	\$ 17,606,792

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> UT - RIO GRANDE VALLEY The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.	\$ 18,338,009	\$ 19,805,051

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> UT - PERMIAN BASIN The University of Texas Permian Basin.	\$ 3,343,238	\$ 3,610,696

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> UT - SAN ANTONIO The University of Texas at San Antonio.	\$ 18,491,477	\$ 19,970,793

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.8. Strategy:</b> UT - TYLER The University of Texas at Tyler.	\$ 5,426,568	\$ 5,860,692

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.9. Strategy:</b> STEPHEN F. AUSTIN Stephen F. Austin State University.	\$ 8,530,455	\$ 9,212,599

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.10. Strategy:</b> UT SW MEDICAL The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.	\$ 20,884,264	\$ 22,555,005

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.11. Strategy:</b> UTMB - GALVESTON The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.	\$ 66,920,760	\$ 72,274,418

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.12. Strategy:</b> UTHSC - HOUSTON The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.	\$ 29,863,294	\$ 32,252,357

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.13. Strategy:</b> UTHSC - SAN ANTONIO The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.	\$ 31,570,136	\$ 34,095,745

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.14. Strategy:</b> UT MD ANDERSON The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center.	\$ 6,968,342	\$ 7,525,810

Q. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.15. Strategy:</b> UT HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER - TYLER The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler.	\$ 3,642,335	\$ 3,933,720

R. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.16. Strategy:</b> UT - AUSTIN DELL MEDICAL SCHOOL The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School.	\$ 1,351,160	\$ 1,459,252



S. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.17. Strategy:</b> UT- RGV SCHOOL OF MEDICINE The University of Texas - Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine.	\$ 3,888,654	\$ 4,199,744

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.18. Strategy:</b> UT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION The University of Texas System Administration.	\$ 68,287	\$ 73,750

U. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY	\$ 55,951,663	\$ 60,427,796

V. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> A&M SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER Texas A&M University System Health Science Center.	\$ 12,907,390	\$ 13,939,981

W. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> A&M - GALVESTON Texas A&M University at Galveston.	\$ 2,245,205	\$ 2,424,822

X. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.4. Strategy:</b> PRAIRIE VIEW A&M Prairie View A&M University.	\$ 7,726,899	\$ 8,345,051

Y. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.5. Strategy:</b> TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY	\$ 7,323,808	\$ 7,909,712

Z. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.6. Strategy:</b> A&M - CORPUS CHRISTI Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi.	\$ 6,840,870	\$ 7,388,140

AA. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.7. Strategy:</b> TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY- CENTRAL TEXAS Texas A&M University - Central Texas.	\$ 1,101,147	\$ 1,189,240

AB. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.8. Strategy:</b> TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - SAN ANTONIO	\$ 2,380,505	\$ 2,570,945

AC. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.9. Strategy:</b> A&M - KINGSVILLE Texas A&M University - Kingsville.	\$ 5,712,142	\$ 6,169,113

AD. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.10. Strategy:</b> A&M - INTERNATIONAL Texas A&M International University.	\$ 4,180,607	\$ 4,515,056

**AE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.11. Strategy:</b> WEST TEXAS A&M West Texas A&M University.	\$ 6,434,469	\$ 6,949,227

**AF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.12. Strategy:</b> EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY	\$ 8,320,875	\$ 8,986,544

**AG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.13. Strategy:</b> TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - TEXARKANA	\$ 2,760,688	\$ 2,981,545

**AH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.14. Strategy:</b> A&M - AGRILIFE RESEARCH Texas A&M AgriLife Research.	\$ 12,580,853	\$ 13,587,323

**AI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.15. Strategy:</b> A&M - AGRILIFE EXTENSION Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.	\$ 18,998,438	\$ 20,518,312

**AJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.16. Strategy:</b> A&M - ENG EXPERIMENT STATION Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station.	\$ 3,323,382	\$ 3,589,253

**AK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.17. Strategy:</b> A&M - TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE Texas A&M Transportation Institute.	\$ 2,496,158	\$ 2,695,849

**AL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.18. Strategy:</b> A&M - ENG EXTENSION SERVICE Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service.	\$ 1,162,074	\$ 1,255,039

**AM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.19. Strategy:</b> TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE	\$ 5,435,613	\$ 5,870,465

**AN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.20. Strategy:</b> A&M - VET MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LAB Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory.	\$ 1,170,856	\$ 1,264,525

**AO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.21. Strategy:</b> A&M SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION Texas A&M University System Administration.	\$ 683	\$ 737

**AP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.22. Strategy:</b> A&M- TX DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MGMT Texas Division of Emergency Management.	\$ 1,539,111	\$ 1,662,240

**AQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON	\$ 23,169,552	\$ 25,022,208

**AR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> UH - CLEAR LAKE University of Houston - Clear Lake.	\$ 5,198,697	\$ 5,614,093

**AS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.3. Strategy:</b> UH - DOWNTOWN University of Houston - Downtown.	\$ 4,307,505	\$ 4,651,948

**AT.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.4. Strategy:</b> UH - VICTORIA University of Houston - Victoria.	\$ 2,229,385	\$ 2,407,690

**AU.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.5. Strategy:</b> UH SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION The University of Houston System Administration.	\$ 346,403	\$ 374,115

**AV.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.6. Strategy:</b> UH-COLLEGE OF MEDICINE The University Of Houston College Of Medicine.	\$ 1,095,045	\$ 1,182,649

**AW.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.7. Strategy:</b> SAM HOUSTON ST. COLLEGE OF MEDICINE Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.	\$ 584,455	\$ 631,187

**AX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.8. Strategy:</b> LAMAR UNIVERSITY	\$ 12,316,472	\$ 13,301,790

**AY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.9. Strategy:</b> LAMAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY	\$ 2,233,282	\$ 2,411,840

**AZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.10. Strategy:</b> LAMAR STATE COLLEGE - ORANGE	\$ 1,700,882	\$ 1,836,953

**BA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.11. Strategy:</b> LAMAR STATE COLLEGE - PORT ARTHUR	\$ 2,110,176	\$ 2,278,886

**BB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

<b>C.1.12. Strategy:</b> ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 7,114,189	\$ 7,683,191
<b>BC.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.13. Strategy:</b> MIDWESTERN STATE UNIV Midwestern State University.	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 4,743,774	\$ 5,123,135
<b>BD.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.14. Strategy:</b> SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIV Sam Houston State University.	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 10,698,665	\$ 11,554,001
<b>BE.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.15. Strategy:</b> TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 21,384,340	\$ 23,094,122
<b>BF.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.16. Strategy:</b> SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 2,995,093	\$ 3,234,700
<b>BG.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.17. Strategy:</b> SUL ROSS STATE-RIO GRANDE COLLEGE Sul Ross State University - Rio Grande College.	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 332,909	\$ 359,437
<b>BH.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.18. Strategy:</b> TEXAS STATE SYSTEM ADMIN Texas State University System Administration.	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 284,929	\$ 307,723
<b>BI.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.19. Strategy:</b> UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 16,213,734	\$ 17,510,004
<b>BJ.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.20. Strategy:</b> UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS AT DALLAS	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 2,446,378	\$ 2,641,695
<b>BK.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.21. Strategy:</b> UNT HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth.	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 8,877,770	\$ 9,587,235
<b>BL.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.22. Strategy:</b> TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 5,643,473	\$ 6,094,537
<b>BM.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.23. Strategy:</b> TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 30,566,672	\$ 33,010,811
<b>BN.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
<b>C.1.24. Strategy:</b> TEXAS TECH HEALTH SCI CTR Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	\$ 24,801,188	\$ 26,783,211

**BO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.25. Strategy:</b> TEXAS TECH HSC EL PASO Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso.	\$ 6,778,726	\$ 7,320,251

**BP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.26. Strategy:</b> TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY	\$ 9,386,639	\$ 10,137,147

**BQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.27. Strategy:</b> TSTC - HARLINGEN Texas State Technical College - Harlingen.	\$ 3,733,731	\$ 4,032,096

**BR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.28. Strategy:</b> TSTC - WEST TEXAS Texas State Technical College - West Texas.	\$ 1,746,594	\$ 1,886,099

**BS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.29. Strategy:</b> TSTC - WACO Texas State Technical College - Waco.	\$ 4,751,292	\$ 5,130,230

**BT.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.30. Strategy:</b> TSTC - MARSHALL Texas State Technical College - Marshall.	\$ 764,858	\$ 825,882

**BU.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.31. Strategy:</b> TSTC - EAST WILLIAMSON COUNTY	\$ 333,704	\$ 360,179

**BV.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.32. Strategy:</b> TSTC - FT. BEND Texas State Technical College - Ft. Bend.	\$ 775,506	\$ 837,271

**BW.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.33. Strategy:</b> TSTC - NORTH TEXAS Texas State Technical College - North Texas.	\$ 476,029	\$ 514,112

**BX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.34. Strategy:</b> TSTC - SYSTEM ADMIN Texas State Technical College System Administration.	\$ 6,213,828	\$ 6,710,934

**BY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.35. Strategy:</b> UNIV OF NORTH TEXAS SYSTEM ADMIN University of North Texas System Administration.	\$ 1,148,270	\$ 1,239,900

**BZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.36. Strategy:</b> TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ADMIN Texas Tech University System Administration.	\$ 952,707	\$ 1,028,925

**CA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.37. Strategy:</b> PUB COMMUNITY / JR COLLEGES Public Community / Junior Colleges.	\$ 219,329,811	\$ 236,846,503

**CB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Transfers.**

- a. Funds appropriated above to institutions other than those belonging to The University of Texas System or the Texas A&M University System, may be transferred from one appropriation item to another at the discretion of the chief administrative officer of the Employees Retirement System for the purpose of applying appropriations in excess of actual General Revenue group insurance premium costs at any of the higher education institutions named above to appropriation shortfalls for General Revenue group insurance premiums at any of the higher education institutions named above. Reallocation dollars provided by the group of institutions submitting annual Accounting Policy Statement 011 (Benefits Proportional by Fund) reports to the Comptroller shall be first apportioned among the same group of institutions, and any remaining funds may be applied to appropriation shortfalls among other institutions of higher education. Funds appropriated above to components of The University of Texas System and the Texas A&M University System may be transferred from one component to another component within the same system at the discretion of the chief administrative officer of each system for the same purposes stated above.
- b. Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.11, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, \$7,175 in fiscal year 2026 and \$7,749 in fiscal year 2027 is for the purpose of paying General Revenue group insurance premiums for employees participating in the Employees Retirement System Group Benefit Program for managed health care and mental care associated with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Except for the transfer authority provided above in Subsection (a), these amounts are sum certain.
- c. Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.11, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, \$46,964,403 in fiscal year 2026 and \$50,721,552 in fiscal year 2027 is for the purpose of paying General Revenue group insurance premiums for employees participating in The University of Texas System group insurance program for managed health care and mental care associated with the Texas Juvenile Justice Department and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Except for the transfer authority provided above in Subsection (a), these amounts are sum certain.
- d. Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.24, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, \$8,273,284 in fiscal year 2026 and \$8,934,686 in fiscal year 2027 is for the purpose of paying General Revenue group insurance premiums for employees associated with managed health care contracts with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Except for the transfer authority provided above in Subsection (a), these amounts are sum certain.
- e. Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.12, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, \$7,023,740 in fiscal year 2026 and \$7,585,639 in fiscal year 2027 is for the purpose of paying General Revenue group insurance premiums for employees associated with the Harris County Psychiatric Center and the Dunn Behavioral Sciences Center. Except for the transfer authority provided above in Subsection (a), these amounts are sum certain.
- f. Included in the funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.19, Texas A&M Forest Service, \$3,581,981 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,868,540 in fiscal year 2027 is for the purpose of paying group health insurance premiums for employees paid with direct appropriations to the Texas A&M Forest Service from the General Revenue Funds-Dedicated Texas Department of Insurance Operating Account No. 036. Except for the transfer authority provided above in Subsection (a), these amounts are sum certain.

XXXIII. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,455,732,053	\$ 1,478,133,862

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE - UGME	\$ 45,787,868	\$ 46,628,246
Baylor College of Medicine - Undergraduate Medical Education.		

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
###.###.### TEXAS RESEARCH INCENTIVE PROGRAM	\$ 0	\$ 0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percentage of Eligible Students Receiving an Initial TEXAS Grant - Public Universities and Health Related Institutions.	67.5%	67.5%

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percentage of Eligible Students Receiving an Initial TEOG- Community Colleges	67.5%	67.5%

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percentage of Eligible Students Receiving an Initial TEOG- State and Technical Colleges	67.5%	67.5%

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percentage of Eligible Students Receiving an TEG Private/Independent Institutions	67.5%	67.5%

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Students Receiving Texas Grants	110,835	119,653

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Students Receiving Tuition Equalization Grants Awards	32,680	32,680

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Students Receiving a TEOG Award at Community Colleges	61,341	69,626
<b>K.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:		

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Students Receiving a TEOG Award at State and Technical Colleges	3,065	3,480

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Texas Research Incentive Program.** Funds appropriated above in Strategy G.1.1, Texas Research Incentive Program, shall be distributed in accordance with Education Code, Sections 62.121-62.124.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Contingency Funding for Texas Research Incentive Program.** Contingent on the enactment of legislation by the Eighty-ninth Legislature relating to the repeal of the Texas Research Incentive Program, the Higher Education Coordinating Board is appropriated \$409,658,671 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy G.1.1, Texas Research Incentive Program, to address the backlog in eligible unmatched donations received through the program and certified by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board as of the board’s January 2025 quarterly board meeting. Any unexpended balance as of August 31, 2026, is appropriated for fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**XXXIV. HIGHER EDUCATION FUND**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 590,625,000	\$ 590,625,000
<b>B.</b> Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:		
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> HIGHER EDUCATION FUND	\$ 590,625,000	\$ 590,625,000

**XXXV. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 46,013,119	\$ 11,013,119

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**B.1.2. Strategy:** REAL HEALTH AI  
Real Health Artificial Intelligence.

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> REAL HEALTH AI Real Health Artificial Intelligence.	\$ 15,000,000	\$ UB

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:



**Multi-Institution Center - Laredo.** The University of Texas System is authorized to operate the Multi-Institution Center in Laredo. Notwithstanding Article III, Special Provisions Relating Only to State Agencies of Higher Education, Sec. 4 Transfer Provisions of this Act, The University of Texas System Administration may transfer appropriations to any general academic or health related institution from Strategy B.1.1, Multi-Institution Center - Laredo to be used for educational programs or other services operated at or related to the Multi-Institution Center - Laredo.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, from the appropriations identified in Strategy B.1.1, Multi-Institution Center - Laredo, are hereby appropriated to The University of Texas System Administration or to any general academic or health related institution which may have received a transfer of this appropriation from The University of Texas System Administration for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For purposes of the requirements of Article IX, Section 6.08 Benefits Paid Proportional by Method of Finance of this Act, appropriations made to The University of Texas System Administration and transferred to any general academic or health related institution to be used in relation to the Multi-Institution Center - Laredo shall be counted as if the transferred funds were directly appropriated to the respective institution.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**REAL Health AI.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.2, Real Health AI, \$15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for establishing the University of Texas Research, Engineering, and Application Laboratory for Healthcare Artificial Intelligence. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XXXVI. AVAILABLE TEXAS UNIVERSITY FUND**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Distribution to Eligible Institutions.** There is appropriated to each eligible institution for the biennium ending August 31, 2027, that portion of the earnings of the Texas University Fund distributed to it by Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 20, together with any interest on balances attributable to the eligible institutions. Pursuant to Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 20, each eligible institution must use its Available Texas University Fund appropriation only for the support and maintenance of educational and general activities that promote increased research capacity at the institution.

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriation: Unexpended Balances.** Any unobligated and unexpended balances as of August 31, 2025, in Available Texas University Fund appropriations made to each eligible institution of higher education are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025. Any unobligated and unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, in Available Texas University Fund appropriations made to each eligible institution are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XXXVII. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 160,179,757	\$ 155,771,818

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 64,772,613	\$ 64,772,613

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	2,067.6	2,067.6

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,532,185	\$ 1,532,184

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 7,400,757	\$ 7,992,819

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 21,360,208	\$ 21,360,208

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.2.6. Strategy:** UTA WEST

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.2.6. Strategy:</b> UTA WEST	\$ 5,000,000	UB

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,196,981	\$ 1,196,981

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> NATIONAL RESEARCH SUPPORT	\$ 23,378,348	\$ 23,378,348

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Health Innovation Institute.** Out of funds appropriated to Strategy C.1.2, BioHealth Innovation Institute, \$1,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used for the Health Innovation Institute.

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**UTA West.**

- (a) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.6, UTA West, \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for expansion of a new campus in Fort Worth and Parker County. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (b) The legislature finds there is a demonstrated need for the appropriation of general revenue funds under (a) for such a new campus. The appropriation made by this section is contingent on approval by two-thirds of each chamber of legislature, as required under Section 18 (i), Article VII, Texas Constitution.

XXXVIII. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 421,210,581	\$ 355,138,551

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	7,090.3	7,090.3

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 261,696,329	\$ 261,696,328

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 4,387,216	\$ 4,387,216

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 12,150,833	\$ 13,122,898

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 69,721,084	\$ 69,721,084

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.2. Strategy:** PHARMACY FUNDING

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> PHARMACY FUNDING	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.2.1. Strategy:</b> MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE Marine Science Institute - Port Aransas.	\$ 14,429,247	\$ 9,429,247

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.2.3. Strategy:</b> BUREAU OF ECONOMIC GEOLOGY	\$ 3,905,992	\$ 2,705,992

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.2.8. Strategy:** TEXAS ADVANCED COMPUTING CENTER

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
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**C.2.8. Strategy:** TEXAS ADVANCED COMPUTING CENTER      \$      40,000,000      \$      UB

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.3. Strategy:</b> CIVITAS INSTITUTE	\$      5,000,000	\$      5,000,000
University Of Texas At Austin Civitas Institute.		

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$      19,012,228	\$      19,012,228

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> TEXAS RESEARCH UNIVERSITY FUND	\$      44,695,768	\$      44,695,768

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Civitas Institute.** Out of funds appropriated to The University of Texas at Austin in Strategy C.3.3, Civitas Institute, \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used to support the Institute. Included in amounts appropriated above are any unexpended balances (estimated to be \$0) as of August 31, 2025, in appropriations made in Strategy C.3.3. and re-appropriated for the same purpose for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025. Additionally, any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Marine Science Institute Facilities.**

- (a) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.1, Marine Science Institute, \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for the purpose of facility renovations and technology upgrades at The University of Texas at Austin’s Marine Science Institute. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (b) The legislature finds there is a demonstrated need for the appropriation of general revenue funds under subsection (a) for such facilities. The appropriation made by this section is contingent on approval by two-thirds of each chamber of legislature, as required under Section 18(i), Article VII, Texas Constitution.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Pharmacy Funding.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Pharmacy Funding, \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting the pharmacy program. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Advanced Computing Center.**

- (a) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.8, Texas Advanced Computing Center, \$40,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for supporting the Texas Advanced Computing Center. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (a) The legislature finds there is a demonstrated need for the appropriation of general revenue funds under subsection (a) for upgrades to the Texas Advanced Computing Center. The appropriation made by this section is contingent on approval by two-thirds of each chamber of legislature, as required under Section 18(i), Article VII, Texas Constitution.

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Bureau Of Economic Geology Study and Mapping.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.3, Bureau of Economic Geology, \$1,300,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,300,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting Bureau of Economic Geology mapping. Additionally, \$1,200,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for supporting a Bureau of Economic Geology study. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

XXXIX. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 149,152,594	\$ 149,707,174

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Board Authorized Tuition Increases Account No. 704	\$ 7,877,265	\$ 7,877,265

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 70,759,608	\$ 70,759,607

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	1,554.4	1,554.4

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT</b>	\$ 131,921,441	\$ 131,921,442

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT</b>	\$ 1,514,362	\$ 1,514,362

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS</b>	\$ 6,932,229	\$ 7,486,806

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: E&amp;G SPACE SUPPORT</b> Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 19,987,377	\$ 19,987,378

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

C.1.1. Strategy: PTSD INNOVATIONS

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.1.1. Strategy: PTSD INNOVATIONS	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.1. Strategy: NATIONAL RESEARCH SUPPORT	\$ 33,374,520	\$ 33,374,520

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**PTSD Innovations.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, PTSD Innovations, \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for advancing therapy for chronic, treatment resistant PTSD using technology at the home. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XL. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 139,387,487	\$ 139,673,928

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 26,557,497	\$ 26,557,497

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds	2,068.6	2,068.6

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 79,723,656	\$ 79,723,656

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,710,596	\$ 1,710,596

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 3,580,507	\$ 3,866,948

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 16,673,899	\$ 16,673,899

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.2.5. Strategy:** NASA COLLABORATION

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.2.5. Strategy:</b> NASA COLLABORATION	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 2,144,470	\$ 2,144,470

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> NATIONAL RESEARCH SUPPORT	\$ 26,640,411	\$ 26,640,411

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Pharmacy Extension.** Out of funds appropriated to The University of Texas at El Paso in Strategy C.1.3, School of Pharmacy, \$3,084,512 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,084,512 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used for Pharmacy Extension.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Mining Engineering Program.**

- (a) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.4, Mining Engineering Program, \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the development of a Mining Engineering Program. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (b) This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 18(i), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for renovations for engineering facilities at The University of Texas at El Paso, and that such appropriation may be used for such improvements.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**NASA Collaboration.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.2.5, NASA Collaboration, \$4,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting collaboration with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XLI. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 136,659,612	\$ 137,104,791

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,294.2	2,294.2

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 99,267,754	\$ 99,267,754

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 2,176,155	\$ 2,176,155

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 5,564,755	\$ 6,009,934

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 4,325,096	\$ 4,325,096

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 16,659,592	\$ 16,659,592

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 8,077,231	\$ 8,077,231

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> NATIONAL RESEARCH SUPPORT National Research Support Fund.
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J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> NATIONAL RESEARCH SUPPORT National Research Support Fund.	\$ 10,488,123	\$ 10,488,123

**XLII. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PERMIAN BASIN**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 42,517,400	\$ 42,570,056

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:



	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 6,296,494	\$ 6,296,494

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	384.8	384.8

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 12,256,550	\$ 12,256,550

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 364,184	\$ 364,184

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 658,198	\$ 710,854

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 793,410	\$ 793,410

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 2,143,125	\$ 2,143,125

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,316,567	\$ 1,316,567

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.7. Strategy:** WORKFORCE EDUCATION CENTER

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.7. Strategy:</b> WORKFORCE EDUCATION CENTER	\$ 1,337,500	\$ 1,337,500

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 4,029,301	\$ 4,029,301

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 446,421	\$ 446,421

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Workforce Education Center.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.7, Workforce Education Center, \$1,337,500 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,337,500 from

the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting a Workforce Education Center. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026

**XLIII. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 159,059,520	\$ 159,508,695

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,260.4	2,260.4

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT</b>	\$ 114,946,681	\$ 114,946,681

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT</b>	\$ 1,929,156	\$ 1,929,156

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS</b>	\$ 5,614,686	\$ 6,063,861

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: E&amp;G SPACE SUPPORT</b> Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 22,433,934	\$ 22,433,934

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT</b>	\$ 1,788,838	\$ 1,788,838

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy: NATIONAL RESEARCH SUPPORT</b>	\$ 22,715,557	\$ 22,715,557

**XLIV. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT TYLER**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 52,783,702	\$ 52,898,184

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 10,523,865	\$ 10,523,865

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	548.1	548.1

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 32,753,742	\$ 32,753,742

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 753,585	\$ 753,585

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,431,010	\$ 1,545,492

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,335,219	\$ 1,335,219

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 4,858,357	\$ 4,858,357

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.2.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 3,252,842	\$ 3,252,842

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 370,990	\$ 370,990

**XLV. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 43,443,395	\$ 43,577,659

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 12,275,187	\$ 12,275,187

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	608.0	608.0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 28,098,413	\$ 28,098,413

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,251,674	\$ 1,251,674

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,678,948	\$ 1,813,212

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,613,809	\$ 1,613,809

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 6,258,692	\$ 6,258,692

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 3,028,794	\$ 3,028,794

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 240,984	\$ 240,984

**XLVI. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL OFFICES**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 15,517,551	\$ 15,517,555

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**B.1.3. Strategy:** VICTORIA TRANSFER SUPPORT

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> VICTORIA TRANSFER SUPPORT	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Victoria Transfer Support.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.3, Victoria Transfer Support, \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting the transfer of the University of Houston--Victoria to the Texas A&M University System. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XLVII. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 419,674,181	\$ 420,730,244

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 137,217,631	\$ 137,217,631

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	5,968.8	5,968.8

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 341,487,706	\$ 341,487,706

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 5,065,166	\$ 5,065,166

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 13,209,849	\$ 14,266,637

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 51,593,849	\$ 51,593,849

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 26,125,000	\$ 26,125,000

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.1. Strategy: TEXAS RESEARCH UNIVERSITY FUND	\$ 51,096,589	\$ 51,096,589

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Virtual Production Institute.** Out of funds appropriated above to Texas A&M University in Strategy C.1.1, Virtual Production Institute, \$12,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used for the Virtual Production Institute. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated to the institution for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

XLVIII. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 37,940,795	\$ 37,977,744

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 3,855,082	\$ 3,855,082

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds	418.1	418.1

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 10,604,490	\$ 10,604,490

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 113,113	\$ 113,113

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 458,789	\$ 495,491

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.7. Strategy: CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 373,604	\$ 373,604

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
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<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$	4,217,111	\$	4,217,111
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I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$	1,495,556	\$	1,495,556

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.3.3. Strategy:** MARITIME ACADEMY WORKFORCE  
Maritime Academy Workforce Development.

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.3. Strategy:</b> MARITIME ACADEMY WORKFORCE Maritime Academy Workforce Development.	\$	8,000,000	\$	8,000,000

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$	708,092	\$	708,092

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Maritime Academy Workforce Development.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.3.3, Maritime Academy Workforce, \$8,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$8,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting the operational costs of the Texas A&M Maritime Academy training program. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**XLIX. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$	60,410,542	\$	60,595,358

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$	20,281,146	\$	20,281,147

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Center for Study and Prevention of Juvenile Crime and Delinquency Account No. 5029	\$	3,693,217	\$	1,793,217

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
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<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	914.8	914.8
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E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 26,639,188	\$ 26,639,188

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 871,267	\$ 871,267

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,310,527	\$ 2,495,369

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 1,422,639	\$ 1,422,639
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 7,199,704	\$ 7,199,704
Educational and General Space Support.		

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 47,133	\$ 47,133

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION CENTER	\$ 3,693,217	\$ 1,793,217

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 7,018,942	\$ 7,018,942

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 2,551,602	\$ 2,551,602

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Juvenile Crime Prevention Center.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.3.1, Juvenile Crime Prevention Center are estimated unexpended balances (estimated to be \$0) from appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2025, in the Center for Study and Prevention of Juvenile Crime and Delinquency Account (GR Dedicated Fund 5029), in an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000, and which are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025. Any appropriated unexpended balances in Fund 5029 remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**L. TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;



Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 68,861,685	\$ 69,038,922

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	850.1	850.1

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 44,565,979	\$ 44,565,979

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,145,773	\$ 1,145,774

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,240,227	\$ 2,419,446

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.8. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 2,093,176	\$ 2,093,176
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 8,063,964	\$ 8,063,964
Educational and General Space Support.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.5. Strategy:** COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MED  
STUDY  
College of Osteopathic Medicine Planning Study.

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.5. Strategy:</b> COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MED STUDY	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000
College of Osteopathic Medicine Planning Study.		

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,814,204	\$ 1,814,204

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 846,138	\$ 846,138

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**College of Osteopathic Medicine Planning Study.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.5,

College of Osteopathic Medicine Study, \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for conducting a study to examine the need for and feasibility of establishing a college of osteopathic medicine at Tarleton State University. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LI. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CENTRAL TEXAS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 24,876,690	\$ 24,890,500

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	2026	2027
	219.8	219.8

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	2026	2027
	\$ 7,836,546	\$ 7,836,546

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	2026	2027
	\$ 182,311	\$ 182,311

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	2026	2027
	\$ 187,508	\$ 202,511

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

A.1.7. Strategy: CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	2026	2027
	\$ 628,178	\$ 628,178

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	2026	2027
	\$ 971,773	\$ 971,773

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

C.2.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	2026	2027
	\$ 703,048	\$ 703,048

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

D.1.1. Strategy: COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	2026	2027
	\$ 132,177	\$ 132,177

LII. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - CORPUS CHRISTI

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 59,250,011	\$ 59,400,338

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 16,373,652	\$ 16,373,651

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	805.2	805.2

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 35,810,936	\$ 35,810,935

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 972,398	\$ 972,398

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,847,217	\$ 1,994,994

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,306,720	\$ 1,306,720

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 6,933,901	\$ 6,933,901

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 5,081,327	\$ 5,081,327

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 3,776,977	\$ 3,776,977

**LIII. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 46,479,295	\$ 46,609,333

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	598.5	598.5

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 21,623,402	\$ 21,623,402

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 682,848	\$ 682,848

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,583,590	\$ 1,710,278

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.8. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 935,907	\$ 935,907

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 4,551,705	\$ 4,551,704

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 826,277	\$ 826,277

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 10,011,074	\$ 10,011,074

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 2,856,005	\$ 2,856,005

**LIV. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - SAN ANTONIO**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 39,201,590	\$ 39,245,140

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	461.4	461.4

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 17,595,940	\$ 17,595,940

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 440,825	\$ 440,826

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 551,841	\$ 595,988

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 3,682,845	\$ 3,682,846

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 549,798	\$ 549,798

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.2.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 3,009,638	\$ 3,009,638

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 330,350	\$ 330,350

**LV. TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 48,989,117	\$ 49,081,382

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 10,451,385	\$ 10,451,386

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	606.9	606.9

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 27,361,590	\$ 27,361,590

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 677,435	\$ 677,435

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,123,279	\$ 1,213,140

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.7. Strategy: CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,326,573	\$ 1,326,573

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 4,870,133	\$ 4,870,133

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.3. Strategy: SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 337,568	\$ 337,568

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

C.1.5. Strategy: CIVIL ENGINEERING-COMPUTER SCIENCE  
Civil Engineering and Computer Science.

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.1.5. Strategy: CIVIL ENGINEERING-COMPUTER SCIENCE Civil Engineering and Computer Science.	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.3.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 4,027,804	\$ 4,027,804

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.1. Strategy: COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 576,138	\$ 576,138

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Civil Engineering and Computer Science.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.5, Civil Engineering-Computer Science, \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting academic programs in logistics- and transportation-focused civil engineering and computer science. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LVI. WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 42,803,821	\$ 42,937,328

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 10,229,972	\$ 10,229,972

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	537.0	537.0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 26,851,566	\$ 26,851,566

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 632,898	\$ 632,898

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,633,731	\$ 1,764,428

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.8. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,253,243	\$ 1,253,243

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 4,578,538	\$ 4,578,537

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 253,571	\$ 253,571

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 2,203,318	\$ 2,203,318

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 535,184	\$ 535,184

LVII. EAST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 52,911,869	\$ 53,085,515

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 7,688,958	\$ 7,688,958

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	744.0	744.0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 40,487,429	\$ 40,487,429

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 698,119	\$ 698,119

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,168,584	\$ 2,342,071

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.8. Strategy: CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,348,348	\$ 1,348,348

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 5,023,421	\$ 5,023,421

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.3.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,621,163	\$ 1,621,163

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.1. Strategy: COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 306,563	\$ 306,563



LVIII. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - TEXARKANA

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 32,493,943	\$ 32,507,359

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 2,198,137	\$ 2,198,138

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	256.5	256.5

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT</b>	\$ 5,372,893	\$ 5,372,893

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT</b>	\$ 215,509	\$ 215,510

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS</b>	\$ 246,271	\$ 265,973

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy: CRU FUNDING</b>	\$ 512,899	\$ 512,899
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: E&amp;G SPACE SUPPORT</b>	\$ 1,358,626	\$ 1,358,626
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT</b>	\$ 4,446,096	\$ 4,446,096

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy: COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND</b>	\$ 6,596	\$ 6,596

LIX. UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 69,836,780	\$ 69,836,780

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	42.9	42.9

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

C.1.2. Strategy: KATY EXPANSION

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.1.2. Strategy: KATY EXPANSION	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Katy Expansion.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Katy Expansion, \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting the migration and expansion of existing programs at the University of Houston at Katy instructional site. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LX. UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 192,935,744	\$ 193,696,212

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 68,914,010	\$ 68,914,010

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	2,724.4	2,724.4

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 187,413,917	\$ 187,413,918

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 2,751,879	\$ 2,751,879

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 9,509,967	\$ 10,270,434

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 28,341,174	\$ 28,341,174

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.3. Strategy:</b> EDUCATION & COMMUNITY ADVANCEMENT Education and Community Advancement.	\$ 2,000,422	\$ 2,000,422

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>###.###.###</b> MULTICULTURAL SUCCESS Partnership for Multicultural Success.	\$ 0	\$ 0

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 24,997,644	\$ 24,997,644

**LXI. UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON - CLEAR LAKE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 31,571,920	\$ 31,698,324

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 10,152,396	\$ 10,152,394

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	481.9	481.9

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 25,560,768	\$ 25,560,767

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 912,518	\$ 912,518

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,581,691	\$ 1,708,093

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 1,240,755	\$ 1,240,755
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 3,259,817	\$ 3,259,818
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 490,553	\$ 490,553

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 4,787,946	\$ 4,787,946

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 331,880	\$ 331,880

**LXII. UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON - DOWNTOWN**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 32,614,173	\$ 32,791,521

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 16,623,174	\$ 16,623,175

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	489.1	489.1

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 32,869,318	\$ 32,869,318

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,180,143	\$ 1,180,143

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,217,759	\$ 2,395,108

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.6. Strategy: CRU FUNDING	\$ 2,371,125	\$ 2,371,125
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 5,526,691	\$ 5,526,691
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

C.1.3. Strategy: CENTER FOR CRIME AND URBAN RESEARCH

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.1.3. Strategy: CENTER FOR CRIME AND URBAN RESEARCH	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 1,300,000

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.2.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,525,264	\$ 1,525,264

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.1. Strategy: COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 281,287	\$ 281,287

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Center for Crime and Urban Research.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.3, Center for Crime and Urban Research, \$1,300,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,300,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the establishment of a dedicated Crime & Urban Issues Data Analysis Center. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LXIII. UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON - VICTORIA

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 15,985,744	\$ 16,565,938

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	216.4	216.4

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 10,859,283	\$ 10,859,282

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 627,594	\$ 677,789

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 770,675	\$ 770,675

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 1,647,312	\$ 1,647,312

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 2,516,137	\$ 2,516,137

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 62,693	\$ 62,693

**LXIV. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 133,013,440	\$ 133,993,364

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 100,472,308	\$ 100,472,309

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,344.9	2,344.9

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 163,940,306	\$ 163,940,306

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 2,241,751	\$ 2,241,751

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 12,236,357	\$ 13,214,711

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 25,780,885	\$ 25,780,886
Educational and General Space Support.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

C.1.2. Strategy: TEXAS TALENT PIPELINE

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.2. Strategy: TEXAS TALENT PIPELINE	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.4.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,878,327	\$ 1,878,327

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Talent Pipeline.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Texas Talent Pipeline, \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting academic programs in high demand fields. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LXV. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS AT DALLAS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 42,945,421	\$ 42,979,550

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 5,071,453	\$ 5,071,452

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds	446.4	446.4

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 14,424,048	\$ 14,424,047

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 231,021	\$ 231,020

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 477,917	\$ 516,083

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 838,881	\$ 838,881
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 2,027,095	\$ 2,027,095
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.4. Strategy:</b> CLASSROOM TO CAREER INITIATIVE	\$ 6,500,000	\$ 6,500,000

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 333,256	\$ 333,256

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 35,524	\$ 35,524

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Classroom to Career Initiative.** Out of funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.4, Classroom to Career Initiative, \$6,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used to support the Classroom to Career Initiative. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**LXVI. TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 64,732,870	\$ 54,975,286

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:



	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 24,036,404	\$ 24,036,404

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	847.4	847.4

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 27,784,903	\$ 27,784,903

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 497,449	\$ 497,449

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,923,208	\$ 3,156,874

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 1,038,697	\$ 1,038,697

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 5,462,501	\$ 5,462,501

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 341,254	\$ 341,254

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW	\$ 10,155,372	\$ 155,372

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.3. Strategy:</b> ACCREDITATION - PHARMACY Accreditation Continuation - Pharmacy.	\$ 690,725	\$ 690,725

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 6,867,714	\$ 6,867,714

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 727,441	\$ 727,441

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Facilities Passthrough.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for the purpose of a study relating to renovations at the Thurgood Marshall School of Law. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 17(j), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for the Tiger Fleet Modernization at Texas Southern University and that such appropriation may be used for the construction of such facilities.

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Pharmacy Funding.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.3, Accreditation - Pharmacy, \$690,725 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$690,725 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting the College of Pharmacy. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LXVII. TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 235,401,186	\$ 231,890,646

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 56,921,417	\$ 56,921,416

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	3,358.8	3,358.8

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 190,472,218	\$ 190,472,218

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 7,100,520	\$ 7,668,315

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 33,687,674	\$ 33,687,674

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 25,002,445	\$ 25,002,445

LXVIII. ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 36,576,578	\$ 36,761,381

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	568.6	568.6

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 25,153,450	\$ 25,153,450

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 817,410	\$ 817,410

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,338,632	\$ 2,525,685

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 978,176	\$ 978,176
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 4,481,248	\$ 4,481,248
Educational and General Space Support.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 5,671,973	\$ 5,671,973

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 54,779	\$ 54,779

LXIX. MIDWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 27,243,593	\$ 27,340,616

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
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GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$	5,240,367	\$	5,240,367
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C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	385.6	385.6

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 12,789,160	\$ 12,789,160

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 561,815	\$ 561,815

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,124,095	\$ 1,213,994

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 911,891	\$ 911,891
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 2,678,663	\$ 2,678,663
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,316,567	\$ 1,316,567

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,726,953	\$ 1,726,953

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 108,576	\$ 108,576

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Student Success and Military Education Center.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Student Success and Military Education Support Center, \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the Student Success and Military Education Support Center. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**LXX. TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 84,083,189	\$ 84,270,935

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	1,077.4	1,077.4

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 59,138,274	\$ 59,138,274

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 812,085	\$ 812,085

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,365,204	\$ 2,554,325

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 1,605,804	\$ 1,605,804
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 7,211,023	\$ 7,211,023
Educational and General Space Support.		

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 4,707,705	\$ 4,707,705

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 506,017	\$ 506,017

**LXXI. LAMAR UNIVERSITY**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 83,289,197	\$ 83,516,692

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 22,235,788	\$ 22,235,787

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	1,233.4	1,233.4

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 55,418,154	\$ 55,418,154

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,038,861	\$ 1,038,860

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,837,431	\$ 3,064,426

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 1,298,394	\$ 1,298,394
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 7,012,493	\$ 7,012,493
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.3. Strategy:** NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.3. Strategy:</b> NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 12,910,284	\$ 12,910,284

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 389,246	\$ 389,246

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Nursing and Allied Health.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.3, Nursing and Allied Health, \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for establishing programs that create the workforce pipeline of advanced practice registered nurses in the field of psychiatric mental health nurse practitioners and certified registered nurse anesthetists along with mid-level allied healthcare providers such as occupational therapists and medical lab scientists. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LXXII. LAMAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 29,221,320	\$ 29,223,395

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	318.0	318.0

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy: ACADEMIC EDUCATION</b>	\$ 10,478,888	\$ 10,460,160

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy: VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL EDUCATION</b>	\$ 12,671,836	\$ 12,671,836

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS</b>	\$ 260,265	\$ 281,074

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy: E&amp;G SPACE SUPPORT</b>	\$ 1,998,265	\$ 1,998,265

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy: SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT</b>	\$ 1,156,999	\$ 1,156,999

LXXIII. LAMAR STATE COLLEGE - ORANGE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 21,590,746	\$ 21,594,410

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 1,799,505	\$ 1,799,506

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	245.6	245.6

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: ACADEMIC EDUCATION	\$ 6,337,753	\$ 6,325,080

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$ 8,244,868	\$ 8,244,868

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 176,037	\$ 190,119

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 1,299,125	\$ 1,299,125

LXXIV. LAMAR STATE COLLEGE - PORT ARTHUR

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 27,507,990	\$ 27,512,174

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	357.1	357.1

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$ 11,324,831	\$ 11,324,831

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 235,524	\$ 254,354

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 1,850,527	\$ 1,850,527

LXXV. SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 86,008,528	\$ 83,639,904

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;



Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 22,588,331	\$ 22,588,331

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	1,185.6	1,185.6

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 59,401,582	\$ 59,401,582

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 2,092,189	\$ 2,092,189

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 4,770,203	\$ 5,151,600

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.	\$ 2,927,024	\$ 2,927,024

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 10,777,548	\$ 10,777,547

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.3.6. Strategy:</b> FORENSIC TRAINING CENTER	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 1,000,000

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.4.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,664,610	\$ 1,664,610

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 875,184	\$ 875,184

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Forensic Training Center.** Out of funds appropriated to Sam Houston State University in Strategy C.3.6, Forensic Training Center, \$3,750,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used to support the Forensic Training Center facilities and increase enrollment in Forensic Science programs by a minimum of 10 additional students. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the

legislature. In accordance with the Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 17(j), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for facilities at Sam Houston State University and that such appropriation may be used for construction of such facilities.

**LXXVI. TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 157,939,954	\$ 159,543,678

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 48,035,055	\$ 48,035,055

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,224.7	2,224.7

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 111,699,360	\$ 111,699,361

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 2,388,245	\$ 2,388,245

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 8,297,961	\$ 8,961,464

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 24,424,142	\$ 24,424,143

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.3. Strategy:** STUDENT SUCCESS INITIATIVE

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.3. Strategy:</b> STUDENT SUCCESS INITIATIVE	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.4. Strategy:** STEM PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.4. Strategy: STEM PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 2,500,000

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.4.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,317,517	\$ 1,317,517

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Student Success Center.** Out of funds appropriated to Texas State University in Strategy C.1.3, Student Success Initiative, \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used to support retention and graduation rates and create more credetntialed students.

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**STEM Pedestrian Overpass.** Out of funds appropriated to Texas State University in Strategy C.1.4, STEM Pedestrian Overpass, \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 will be used to support an overpass to provide safe access for faculty, staff, and students to access the research neighborhood on Texas State's San Marcos campus.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 17(j), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for the STEM Pedestrian Bridge at Texas State University and that such appropriation may be used for construction of such facilities.

LXXVII. SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 17,595,732	\$ 17,621,960

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 1,347,977	\$ 1,347,976

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds	497.9	497.9

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 4,199,671	\$ 4,199,671

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 135,190	\$ 135,190

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 290,353	\$ 313,580

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.7. Strategy: CRU FUNDING	\$ 393,458	\$ 393,458
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
B.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 1,283,135	\$ 1,283,135
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.3.1. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 3,474,945	\$ 3,474,945

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
D.1.1. Strategy: COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH FUND	\$ 473,860	\$ 473,860

LXXVIII. SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY RIO GRANDE COLLEGE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 10,408,661	\$ 10,411,230

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 495,737	\$ 495,738

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds	131.8	131.8

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.1. Strategy: OPERATIONS SUPPORT	\$ 1,421,118	\$ 1,421,118

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.2. Strategy: TEACHING EXPERIENCE SUPPLEMENT	\$ 73,688	\$ 73,688

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.3. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 32,245	\$ 34,815

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> CRU FUNDING	\$ 374,885	\$ 374,885
Performance-based Funding For Comprehensive Universities.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 297,093	\$ 297,093
Educational and General Space Support.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**C.1.2. Strategy:** ACADEMIC PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT  
Academic Program Development Support.

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> ACADEMIC PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000
Academic Program Development Support.		

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.2.1. Strategy:</b> INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,605,383	\$ 1,605,383

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Academic Program Development Support.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Academic Program Development, \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for supporting programs in the fields of nursing, healthcare administration, accounting, finance, cybersecurity/information assurance and education. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

LXXIX. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL CENTER

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 220,613,991	\$ 220,683,583

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,154.0	2,154.0

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING	\$ 9,230,501	\$ 9,230,501
Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$ 5,476,047	\$ 5,476,047

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
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<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> GRADUATE TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH	\$	1,594,195	\$	1,594,195
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F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$	869,896	\$	939,489

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$	10,227,002	\$	10,227,002

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$	35,868,114	\$	35,868,114

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.2.2. Strategy:** CELL AND GENE THERAPY CENTER

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>D.2.2. Strategy:</b> CELL AND GENE THERAPY CENTER	\$	9,000,000	\$	9,000,000

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Cell and Gene Therapy Center.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.2.2, Cell and Gene Therapy Center, \$9,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$9,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the Center for Cell and Gene Therapy. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.

**LXXX. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH AT GALVESTON**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$	289,736,821	\$	289,814,729

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>		1,654.3		1,654.3

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$	2,625,408	\$	2,625,408

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$	14,926,130	\$	14,926,130

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> NURSING EDUCATION	\$	11,704,816	\$	11,704,816

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> GRADUATE TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH	\$ 1,455,468	\$ 1,455,468

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 973,837	\$ 1,051,745

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 3,916,985	\$ 3,916,985

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 15,393,912	\$ 15,393,912

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriation of Costs for Health Care to Inmates.** None of the funds appropriated above shall be expended to provide or support the provision of health care to inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ). It is the intent of the Legislature that all costs for providing health care to inmates of the TDCJ including costs of operating TDCJ hospital facilities in Galveston County and Lubbock County shall be paid from appropriations made to the TDCJ, from General Revenue benefits appropriations made elsewhere in this Act, and from any financial reserves from contracts with TDCJ that are held by the University for the correctional health care services. Appropriations made to the TDCJ for the provision of inmate health care services shall be expended in accordance with Government Code, Chapter 501, Subchapter E.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, contract services funds appropriated to TDCJ and provided to the University are eligible to receive state-paid General Revenue benefits support for Retirement, Group Insurance, and Social Security from funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act. For purposes of the requirements of Article IX, Section 6.08 Benefits Paid Proportional by Method of Finance, contract services funds appropriated to TDCJ and provided to the University for correctional health care services shall be treated as if the funds received are appropriated by this Act and are not required to be held in the state treasury.

**LXXXI. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 235,832,541	\$ 236,184,270

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,187.3	2,187.3

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$ 5,853,046	\$ 5,853,046

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL INFORMATICS Biomedical Informatics Education.	\$ 4,049,001	\$ 4,049,001

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$ 241,438	\$ 241,438

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> DENTAL HYGIENE EDUCATION	\$ 609,602	\$ 609,602

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> NURSING EDUCATION	\$ 13,889,966	\$ 13,889,966

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.8. Strategy:</b> GRADUATE TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH	\$ 21,118,853	\$ 21,118,853

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 4,396,580	\$ 4,748,309

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 5,867,254	\$ 5,867,254

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 27,276,383	\$ 27,276,383

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the amount of an item of appropriation contained in one version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.3.3. Strategy:</b> FIREFIGHTER CANCER STUDY	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**E.5.2. Strategy:** SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
School of Behavioral Health Sciences.

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.5.2. Strategy:</b> SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH School of Behavioral Health Sciences.	\$ 5,250,000	\$ 5,250,000

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Benefits Costs for Harris County Psychiatric Center and Dunn Behavioral Sciences Center.**  
Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, contract services funds appropriated to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) and provided to the University for the operation of the Harris County Psychiatric Center (HCPC) and the Dunn Behavioral Sciences Center (DBSC) are eligible to receive state-paid General Revenue benefits support for Retirement, Group Insurance, and Social Security from funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act. For purposes of the requirements of Article IX, Section 6.08, Benefits Paid Proportional by Method of Finance, contract services funds appropriated to HHSC and DBSC and provided to the University for the operation of the HCPC and DBSC shall be treated as if the funds received are appropriated by this Act and are not required to be held in the state treasury.

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:



**Texas Firefighter Cancer Study.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy E.3.3, Firefighter Cancer Study, \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Funds and \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund shall be used to provide Texas firefighters with annual physical examinations to diagnose cancer. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Southwest Center for Occupational and Environmental Health is required to conduct a study including the work history of new, active, and retired firefighters, air samples from fires to measure exposure to cancer-causing chemicals, and cancer data from the Texas Cancer Registry and other sources. The study shall identify which groups of firefighters are most at risk and recommend policies and programs that will protect their health. The Center for Occupational and Environmental Health shall report its interim findings to the Legislature no later than December 31, 2027. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas All-Payor Claims Database.** From funds appropriated, in Strategy E.4.4, Texas All-Payor Claims Database, \$4,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the administration and operation of the Texas All-Payor Claims Database at the Center for Healthcare Data (Center) at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston as provided in Insurance Code, Chapter 38, Subchapter 1.

It is the intent of the Legislature that the allocation of funds shall be used by the Center to provide access to entities under Insurance Code, Section 38.4055 at no more than a nominal charge, except for state agencies which may not be charged for use of the database. In addition, the Health and Human Services Commission, the Department of State Health Services, the Employees Retirement System of Texas, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and the Teacher Retirement System, shall provide claims and other relevant health data in a manner and format as required by the Center to permit the Center to conduct a comparative data analysis of this data to identify outliers, opportunities for efficiency, and quality improvements within each health care system.

- (a) The Center will develop and maintain an online public portal, respond to research requests, and issue biennial reports and data on the following:
  - (1) Trends in statewide healthcare expenditures, with detailed analysis of medical and pharmaceutical costs;
  - (2) Trends in healthcare utilization and accessibility;
  - (3) Measures of healthcare quality;
  - (4) Incidence and prevalence of chronic diseases; and
  - (5) Comparative analysis of state-funded health care services and major cost drivers across and among state agencies providing state healthcare services.

Biennial reports required by this subsection shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor by September 1, 2026. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**School of Behavioral Health Sciences.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy E.5.2, School of Behavioral Health Sciences, \$5,250,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,250,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used as start-up funding for the UT Health Houston School of Behavioral Health Sciences. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal beginning on September 1, 2026.

**LXXXII. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT SAN ANTONIO**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 188,132,698	\$ 188,330,844

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
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<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	2,004.2	2,004.2
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C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> DENTAL EDUCATION	\$ 23,743,341	\$ 23,743,341

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$ 3,386,529	\$ 3,386,529

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$ 17,551,926	\$ 17,551,926

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> NURSING EDUCATION	\$ 10,736,554	\$ 10,736,554

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> GRADUATE TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH	\$ 398,174	\$ 398,174

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 2,476,824	\$ 2,674,970

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 4,775,838	\$ 4,775,838

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 17,903,664	\$ 17,903,664

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Opioid Abuse Prevention and Treatment.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy E.2.1, Opioid Abuse Prevention, \$9,100,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$9,100,000 in fiscal year 2027 from GR-Dedicated Account No. 5189 shall be used to support efforts that include, but are not limited to, funding for overdose reversal medication access for law enforcement, distribution through health care providers, educational programming and distribution through schools, and distribution through community organizations. It is the intent of the Legislature that this funding stream be considered to supplement opioid abuse prevention activities for subsequent biennia.

By November 1, 2026, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio shall submit a report to the Legislative Budget Board, the Office of the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee detailing the expenditure of funds appropriated in Strategy E.2.1, Opioid Abuse Prevention during fiscal year 2026. The report shall contain, at a minimum, metrics that mirror information contractually required to be submitted to the Health and Human Services Commission in order to inform any future appropriations.

Any unexpended or unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**School of Public Health.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy E.1.2, School of Public Health, \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used as start-up funding for The University of Texas School of Public Health San Antonio. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**LXXXIII. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 45,472,192	\$ 45,479,539

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	541.4	541.4

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 91,854	\$ 99,202

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,427,996	\$ 1,427,996

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 1,329,203	\$ 1,329,203

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Cancer Center.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.2, Cancer Center/Cancer Research, \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used to support clinical operations and research at the institution’s Cancer and Surgery Center. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.

**LXXXIV. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS M.D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 257,332,950	\$ 257,334,841

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	874.4	874.4

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$ 3,895,623	\$ 3,895,623

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> CANCER CENTER OPERATIONS	\$ 164,683,956	\$ 164,683,956

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.3.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 23,610	\$ 25,501

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 16,129,737	\$ 16,129,737

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 36,025,312	\$ 36,025,312

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.3. Strategy:** CELL THERAPY INSTITUTE

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.3. Strategy:</b> CELL THERAPY INSTITUTE	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 15,000,000

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Cell Therapy Institute.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.3, Cell Therapy Institute, \$15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the Institute for Cell Therapy Discovery and Innovation. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**LXXXV. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT TYLER**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 74,460,128	\$ 66,463,722

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	363.2	363.2

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> MEDICAL EDUCATION	\$ 5,559,563	\$ 5,559,563

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$ 518,239	\$ 518,239

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> PUBLIC HEALTH	\$ 1,778,126	\$ 1,778,126

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.4. Strategy: GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION	\$ 1,199,945	\$ 1,199,945

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.5. Strategy: CHEST DISEASE CENTER OPERATIONS	\$ 36,466,391	\$ 36,466,391

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.2.1. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 44,939	\$ 48,534

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
B.1.1. Strategy: RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,689,014	\$ 1,689,014

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 2,582,311	\$ 2,582,311

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
D.3.2. Strategy: INPATIENT FACILITY	\$ 8,000,000	\$ UB

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Inpatient Facility.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.3.2, Inpatient Facility, \$8,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used to increase the capacity of inpatient behavioral health beds at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler. Any unexpended balance as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 18(i), the legislature finds there is a demonstrated need for inpatient behavioral health beds at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler and that such appropriation may be used for the construction or permanent improvement of such facilities.

**LXXXVI. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN DELL MEDICAL SCHOOL**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 30,919,697	\$ 30,960,144

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	346.5	346.5

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.2.1. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 505,599	\$ 546,046

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
B.1.1. Strategy: RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,933,363	\$ 1,933,363

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 3,041,622	\$ 3,041,622

**LXXXVII. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 208,594,863	\$ 208,734,871

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	1,407.2	1,407.2

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> DENTAL HYGIENE EDUCATION	\$ 1,485,390	\$ 1,485,390

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$ 2,895,087	\$ 2,895,087

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> NURSING EDUCATION	\$ 7,465,771	\$ 7,465,771

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING Training in Public Health.	\$ 20,881,123	\$ 20,881,123

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.7. Strategy:</b> PHARMACY EDUCATION	\$ 15,485,063	\$ 15,485,063

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,718,330	\$ 1,855,798

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 3,603,142	\$ 3,603,142

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> PERFORMANCE BASED RESEARCH OPS Performance Based Research Operations.	\$ 26,159,160	\$ 26,159,160

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 11,982,270	\$ 11,982,270

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
E.1.8. Strategy: RURAL HEALTH INITIATIVES	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 15,000,000

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Rural Health Initiatives.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy E.1.8, Rural Health Initiatives, \$15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used to implement and expand the Texas A&M Health Rural Engagement Program in rural communities throughout the state. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Research Facilities.** All unexpended and unobligated balances as of August 31, 2025 (estimated to be \$0), from appropriations authorized in House Bill 1, Article IX, Section 17.26, of the Eighty-eighth Legislature, from the General Revenue Fund to Texas A&M University System Health Science Center for construction of education and research facilities at the higher education center in Hidalgo County are appropriated for the same purpose for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025. All unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent upon approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 18(i), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for education and research facilities at the higher education center in Hidalgo County and that such appropriation may be used for construction of such facilities.

LXXXVIII. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT FORT WORTH

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 125,630,766	\$ 124,738,926

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds	900.5	900.5

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.2. Strategy: BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$ 5,583,394	\$ 5,583,394

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.3. Strategy: GRADUATE TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH	\$ 2,892,928	\$ 2,892,928

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$ 6,303,834	\$ 6,303,834

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.5. Strategy:</b> PHARMACY EDUCATION	\$ 10,176,139	\$ 10,176,139

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> NURSING EDUCATION	\$ 272,882	\$ 272,882

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,045,535	\$ 1,129,100

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 2,513,038	\$ 2,513,038

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 5,016,797	\$ 5,016,797

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.5. Strategy:** ENDURING BRAIN HEALTH  
Operation Enduring Brain Health.

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.5. Strategy:</b> ENDURING BRAIN HEALTH Operation Enduring Brain Health.	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Operation Enduring Brain Health.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.5, Operation Enduring Brain Health, \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the purpose of studying and addressing the brain health needs of Texas veterans. Any unexpended balances as August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**LXXXIX. TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 162,855,100	\$ 161,577,752

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	1,738.9	1,738.9

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING	\$ 2,481,861	\$ 2,481,861



Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.3. Strategy: ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS TRAINING	\$ 23,494,398	\$ 23,494,398

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.4. Strategy: NURSING EDUCATION	\$ 27,109,057	\$ 27,109,057

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.5. Strategy: PHARMACY EDUCATION	\$ 15,787,378	\$ 15,787,378

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.6. Strategy: GRADUATE TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH	\$ 1,793,115	\$ 1,793,115

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.1.7. Strategy: GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION	\$ 3,629,685	\$ 3,629,685

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.2.1. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 1,701,109	\$ 1,837,051

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
B.1.1. Strategy: RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 2,027,737	\$ 2,027,737

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 9,777,830	\$ 9,777,830

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriation of Costs for Health Care to Inmates.** None of the funds appropriated above shall be expended to provide or support the provision of health care to inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ). It is the intent of the Legislature that all costs for providing health care to inmates of the TDCJ including costs of operating TDCJ hospital facilities in Galveston County and Lubbock County shall be paid from appropriations made to the TDCJ, from General Revenue benefits appropriations made elsewhere in this Act, and from any financial reserves from contracts with TDCJ that are held by the university for the correctional health care services. Appropriations made to the TDCJ for the provision of inmate health care services shall be expended in accordance with Government Code, Chapter 501, Subchapter E.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, contract services funds appropriated to TDCJ and provided to the University are eligible to receive state-paid General Revenue benefits support for Retirement, Group Insurance, and Social Security from funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act. For purposes of the requirements of Article IX, Section 6.08 Benefits Paid Proportional by Method of Finance, contract services funds appropriated to TDCJ and provided to the University for correctional health care services shall be treated as if the funds received are appropriated by this Act and are not required to be held in the state treasury.

**XC. TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER AT EL PASO**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 81,345,834	\$ 79,776,734

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	764.7	764.7

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES TRAINING Graduate Training in Biomedical Sciences.	\$ 366,999	\$ 366,999

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> NURSING EDUCATION	\$ 3,944,936	\$ 3,944,936

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.6. Strategy:</b> PERFORMANCE BASED BORDER HEALTH OPS Performance Based Border Health Operations.	\$ 14,310,130	\$ 14,310,130

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 496,085	\$ 535,721

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,588,312	\$ 1,588,312

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 3,257,617	\$ 3,257,617

**XCI. UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON COLLEGE OF MEDICINE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 52,866,548	\$ 37,876,064

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 823,018	\$ 823,018

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	360.8	360.8

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.2.1. Strategy: STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 118,955	\$ 128,471

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
B.1.1. Strategy: RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,436,202	\$ 1,436,202

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
C.1.1. Strategy: E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 1,193,304	\$ 1,193,304

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
D.1.1. Strategy: COLLEGE OF MEDICINE	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

D.1.2. Strategy: RESEARCH CENTER - RGV  
Research Center - Rio Grande Valley.

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
D.1.2. Strategy: RESEARCH CENTER - RGV Research Center - Rio Grande Valley.	\$ 15,000,000	\$ UB

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**College of Medicine.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, College of Medicine, \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$25,000,000 for the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for the purpose of expanding class size, conducting research, hiring additional faculty and staff, and supporting clinical operations. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Medical Education and Research Center - Rio Grande Valley.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.2, Research Center - RGV, \$15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used to establish a medical research and education center in the Rio Grande Valley. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 17(j), the legislature finds there is a demonstrated need for a medical research and education center in the Rio Grande Valley and that such appropriation may be used for the construction or permanent improvement of such facilities.

**XCII. SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 28,070,855	\$ 28,079,930

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	244.5	244.5

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 113,487	\$ 122,562

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT	\$ 1,424,404	\$ 1,424,404

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT	\$ 860,181	\$ 860,181

**XCIII. PUBLIC COMMUNITY/JUNIOR COLLEGES**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,285,784,292	\$ 1,190,279,495

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> BASE TIER	\$ 62,050,744	\$ 58,387,304

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> PERFORMANCE TIER	\$ 1,188,233,627	\$ 1,109,892,272

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>###.###.###</b> PERFORMANCE TIER DYNAMIC ADJUSTMENT	\$ 0	\$ 0

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>###.###.###</b> PERFORMANCE TIER SETTLE UP	\$ 0	\$ 0

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**B.3.1. Strategy:** WALLER WORKFORCE

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.3.1. Strategy:</b> WALLER WORKFORCE	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.7.1. Strategy:</b> HERITAGE MUSEUM/GENEALOGY CENTER	\$ 358,872	\$ 358,872
Heritage Museum and Genealogy Center.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.15.1. Strategy:</b> PERKINS CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY CENTER	\$ 3,500,000	\$ UB

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**B.16.2. Strategy:** NUCLEAR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.16.2. Strategy:</b> NUCLEAR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**. Goal:** PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES  
Provide Educational Opportunities To Students.

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**... Strategy:** EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT PROGRAM

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Informational Listing of Other Appropriations.** In addition to the funds appropriated above, monies from the General Revenue Fund are appropriated elsewhere in this Act for the use of the Public Community/Junior Colleges as follows:

- (a) Out of the monies from the General Revenue Fund appropriated to the Higher Education Employees Group Insurance Contributions, \$456,176,314 is intended for the use of public community colleges, subject to the provisions associated with that appropriation.
- (b) Out of the monies from the General Revenue Fund appropriated to the Teacher Retirement System, an estimated \$223,965,210 is appropriated for the state matching contribution for public community college employees.
- (c) Out of the monies from the General Revenue Fund appropriated to the Optional Retirement Program, an estimated \$26,984,924 is appropriated for the state matching contribution for public community college employees.

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Hill College - Heritage Museum.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.7.1, Heritage Museum/Genealogy Center, \$358,872 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$358,872 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for Hill College Texas Heritage Museum.

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Public Junior College State Finance Program.** Out of the funds appropriated above, and any other funds appropriated for the Public Junior College Finance Program during the 2026-27 biennium, a total of \$2,418,563,947 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium shall represent the sum-certain appropriation to the Public Junior College Finance Program. The total appropriation may not exceed the sum-certain amount.

The Commissioner shall make allocations to community college districts under Chapters 61, 130, and 130A based on the following:

- (a) **Base Tier Funding.** The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall determine a guaranteed instruction and operation funding level using the statewide basic allotment rate as set by the General Appropriations Act or other legislative appropriation, weighted full-time equivalent students enrolled at the district, and the district’s contact hour funding as set by legislative appropriation. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board will compare the guaranteed instruction and operations amount to estimated local share amounts to determine the state’s share of base tier of funding.

- (b) Performance Tier. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall determine the attainment of measurable outcomes by students of public community/junior colleges for achievement of credentials of value, attainment of 15 semester credit hours of dual credit or dual enrollment courses, eligible transfer to a general academic institution, and eligible participation in a co-enrollment program.
- (c) Base tier and performance tier allocations shall include applicable weighting in accordance with Chapters 130 and 130A.

The amounts identified in Subsections (a) - (c) are used solely to determine the initial annual payments to community college districts. To the extent that amounts provided above differ from a local community college district's updated data and outcome measures, the Commissioner shall settle-up with local community college district pursuant to Rider 22, Appropriation of Audit Adjustments, Settle-Up Funds and Data Elements and applicable provisions in Education Code, Chapters 61, 130, and 130A. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall report the amounts of any such payments or recoveries to the Legislative Budget Board within 10 business days of the transaction.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board may make transfers as appropriate between Strategy A.1.1, Base Tier, and Strategy A.1.2, Performance Tier. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor of any such transfers at least 15 business days prior to the transfer.

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Additional Transfer Authority.** Notwithstanding the general provisions of this Act, the Commissioner of Higher Education is authorized to transfer funds from fiscal year 2027 to fiscal year 2026, as necessary to implement the provisions of House Bill 8, only upon the approval of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office. The request shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board makes its recommendation on the transfer to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Tyler Junior College - Perkins Campus and Community Center.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.15.1, Perkins Campus and Community Center, \$3,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for the Perkins Campus and Community Center. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Blinn College - Waller Workforce.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.3.1, \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for Waller Workforce.

**T.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Wharton County Junior College - Nuclear Workforce Development.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.16.2, \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used for Nuclear Workforce Development.

**U.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Unexpended Balance Authority for House Bill 8.** Any unexpended balances of funds appropriated by this rider that will be used for formula funding in Strategy A.1.1, Base Tier and Strategy A.1.2, Performance Tier as a result of House Bill 8 are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose. It is the intent of the legislature that any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2027, will be appropriated to the Public Community/Junior Colleges for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2027, for the same purpose.

XCIV. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - HARLINGEN

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 36,017,344	\$ 35,998,535

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	574.3	574.3

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 30,616,037	\$ 30,792,069

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 233,814	\$ 252,507

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 1,616,836	\$ 1,616,836

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,316,566	\$ 1,316,566

XCV. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - WEST TEXAS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 23,136,988	\$ 23,131,509

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 970,581	\$ 1,071,721

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	317.6	317.6

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 18,948,277	\$ 19,018,966

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 108,601	\$ 117,281

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 861,693	\$ 861,693

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.3. Strategy:</b> SMALL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENT	\$ 1,316,566	\$ 1,316,566

**XCVI. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - MARSHALL**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 13,763,970	\$ 13,760,937

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 466,150	\$ 514,384

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	167.3	167.3

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 10,255,217	\$ 10,289,263

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 47,700	\$ 51,510

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 739,378	\$ 739,378

**XCVII. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - WACO**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 56,379,408	\$ 56,343,889



**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 4,024,398	\$ 4,443,634

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	855.9	855.9

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 50,014,789	\$ 50,318,711

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 299,242	\$ 323,136

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 4,355,080	\$ 4,355,080

**XCVIII. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - FT. BEND**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 12,265,551	\$ 12,261,422

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	122.6	122.6

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 3,623,647	\$ 3,663,060

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 48,948	\$ 52,853

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 656,879	\$ 656,879

**XCIX. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - NORTH TEXAS**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 9,051,534	\$ 9,047,805

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	115.3	115.3

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 3,992,152	\$ 4,009,060

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 14,416	\$ 15,561

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational and General Space Support.	\$ 202,732	\$ 202,732

C. TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE - EAST WILLIAMSON COUNTY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 7,606,478	\$ 7,600,934

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Estimated Other Educational and General Income Account No. 770	\$ 185,974	\$ 205,922

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	112.3	112.3

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATION	\$ 3,674,266	\$ 3,688,154

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STAFF GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	\$ 20,584	\$ 22,230

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> E&G SPACE SUPPORT Educational And General Space Support.	\$ 190,633	\$ 190,632

CI. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 86,790,250	\$ 86,790,249

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT IN BRAZOS CO Infrastructure Support - In Brazos County.	\$ 7,218,785	\$ 7,218,784

CII. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 71,494,437	\$ 71,494,436

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT IN BRAZOS CO Infrastructure Support - In Brazos County.	\$ 846,031	\$ 846,030

CIII. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 76,883,730	\$ 52,457,928

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)-Appropriated Funds</b>	852.4	852.4

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.3.1. Strategy:</b> WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	\$ 54,799,234	\$ 30,375,004

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT	\$ 8,650,196	\$ 8,650,196

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas IGNITE.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1, Workforce Development, \$39,712,115 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$15,287,885 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 shall be used to support Texas IGNITE: Innovative Growth in Next-gen AI Technology Ecosystems. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 18(i), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for the construction of facilities associated with Texas IGNITE: Innovative Growth in Next-gen AI Technology Ecosystems and that such appropriation may be used for construction of such facilities.

CIV. TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 11,975,439	\$ 11,975,439

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT	\$ 2,321,171	\$ 2,321,171

CV. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 27,801,699	\$ 27,801,699

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)- Appropriated Funds</b>	584.8	584.8

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> RAMI HUB	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
Rio Grande Valley Advanced Manufacturing Innovation Hub.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT	\$ 2,357,696	\$ 2,357,696

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Rio Grande Valley Advanced Manufacturing Innovation Hub.** Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.3, RAMI Hub, is \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 for the purpose of engaging with the Brownsville Navigation District, the Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station, and other regional industrial and educational partners to establish and operate an advanced manufacturing innovation hub in the Lower Rio Grande Valley to provide workforce development credentials for skills in-demand by the advanced manufacturing sector.

Any unexpended balances at the end of fiscal year 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

CVI. TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 16,686,775	\$ 15,436,775

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> KTP - VFD GRANTS	\$ 25,739,853	\$ 25,739,853
Keeping Texas Prepared - VFD Grants.		

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT IN BRAZOS CO	\$ 168,344	\$ 168,344
Infrastructure Support - In Brazos County.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program (Wildfire Protection Plan).** Out of the funds appropriated above, \$28,181,861 in fiscal year 2026 and \$28,181,861 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account No. 5064 shall be used to assist volunteer fire departments and provide for equipment and training needs.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Fire Departments.** Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, KTP - TFS Operations, \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used to support the Columbus Volunteer Fire Department and \$250,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used to support the League City Volunteer Fire Department.

CVII. TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 12,672,152	\$ 12,670,651

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT IN BRAZOS CO	\$ 765,012	\$ 765,011
Infrastructure Support - In Brazos County.		

CVIII. TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 44,030,302	\$ 34,095,934

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> STATE OPERATIONS CENTER	\$ 85,841,915	\$ 41,221,980

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Potter County and Jackson County Emergency Operations Centers.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.4, State Operations Center, \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 shall be used to support the Potter County and Jackson County Emergency Operations Centers. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

This appropriation is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution, Article VII, Section 18(i), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for the support of the Potter County and Jackson County Emergency Operations Centers and that such appropriation may be used for construction of such facilities.

**CIX. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 52,764,210	\$ 56,741,010

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> RETIREMENT- HIGHER EDUCATION	\$ 4,522,573	\$ 4,551,095
Retirement - Higher Education. Estimated.		

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE - HIGHER EDUCATION	\$ 11,629,668	\$ 12,987,133
Group Insurance - Higher Education Contributions. Estimated.		

**CX. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 452,591,607	\$ 472,406,386

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> STATE MATCH-EMPLOYER-HIGHER ED	\$ 509,740,273	\$ 533,259,421
State Match -- Employer -- Higher Education. Estimated.		

CXL. SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING ONLY TO STATE AGENCIES OF HIGHER EDUCATION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 26. General Academic Funding.** Appropriations made in this Act for formula funding for general academic institutions will consist of four formulas and supplemental items.

1. **Instruction and Operation Formula.** The Instruction and Operations Formula shall provide funding for faculty salaries, including nursing, departmental operating expense, library, instructional administration, research enhancement, student services, and institutional support. These funds are distributed on a weighted semester credit hour basis. The rate per weighted semester credit hour for the 2026-27 biennium is \$60.67 in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027.

Weighting is determined by the following matrix:

	Lower Div	Upper Div	Masters	Doctoral	Special Professional
Liberal Arts	1.00	1.88	4.40	14.78	-
Science	1.34	2.66	5.48	22.04	-
Fine Arts	1.38	2.64	7.54	11.47	-
Teacher Ed	1.27	1.95	2.32	7.59	-
Agriculture	1.35	2.24	8.92	15.42	-
Engineering	1.71	2.73	5.44	19.57	-
Home Economics	0.90	1.78	3.18	15.93	-
Law	-	-	-	-	5.00
Social Services	1.60	1.90	2.55	24.79	-
Library Science	1.86	2.53	3.29	26.29	-
Vet Med	-	-	-	-	20.40
Vocational Training	1.43	3.06	-	-	-
Physical Training	2.08	7.66	-	-	-
Health Services	0.94	1.57	2.57	7.69	3.35
Pharmacy	6.40	3.61	34.39	45.27	4.59
Business Admin	1.10	1.88	3.00	39.01	-
Optometry	-	-	-	-	6.78
Teacher Ed Practice	1.12	2.37	-	-	-
Technology	1.49	2.20	4.30	6.83	-
Nursing	1.56	2.09	2.77	9.91	-
Development Ed	1.00	-	-	-	-

2. **Teaching Experience Supplement.** For the 2026-27 biennium, an additional weight of 10 percent is added to lower division and upper division semester credit hours taught by tenured and tenure-track faculty. Furthermore, it is the intent of the Legislature that the weight shall increase by 10 percent per biennium, up to 50 percent.
3. **Infrastructure Support.** Funding associated with plant-related formulas and utilities shall be distributed by the infrastructure support formula which is driven by the predicted square feet for universities' educational and general activities produced by the Space Projection Model developed by the Coordinating Board. The portion of the formula related to utilities is adjusted to reflect differences in unit costs for purchased utilities, including electricity, natural gas, water and wastewater, and thermal energy. The average rate per square foot is \$5.94 in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027.
4. **Supplemental Non-formula Items.** Institutions shall receive a direct reimbursement as applicable for staff group insurance (other educational and general income portion), workers' compensation insurance, unemployment compensation insurance, public education grants, organized activities, scholarships, tuition revenue bond payments, and facility lease charges. Institutions may receive an appropriation for non-formula support items. Revenue derived from board authorized tuition would still be appropriated to the institutions levying the additional charges.
- a. The General Academic Instruction and Operations and Infrastructure formulas shall incorporate the Higher Education Coordinating Board's October 2006 recommendations for mission-specific formula funding for Texas A&M University at Galveston.
5. **Small Institution Supplement.** The Small Institution Supplement, as a set-aside within the General Academic Institution Infrastructure Formula, shall provide supplemental funding to general academic institutions with headcounts of fewer than 10,000 students. For the 2026-27 biennium, general academic institutions with a headcount of fewer than 5,000 students shall

receive a small institution supplement of \$2,633,133. The small institution supplement shall decrease proportionate to the increase in headcount above 5,000 until the institution reaches 10,000 headcount. Once an institution reaches 10,000 headcount, it shall no longer be eligible for this supplement.

These formulas and supplemental items shall be reviewed and updated by study committees appointed by the Higher Education Coordinating Board and recommended changes forwarded to the Legislature, Legislative Budget Board, and Governor by June 1, 2026.

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 27. Health-Related Institutions Funding.** Appropriations made in this Act for formula funding for health-related institutions shall consist of four formulas plus supplemental non-formula items.

1. **Instruction and Operations Support Formula.** The Instruction and Operations Support Formula shall provide funding on a per student or full-time equivalent basis. Funding for each instructional program is based on the following funding weights per student, with a base value per weighted student of \$9,689 in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027:

<u>Program</u>	<u>Weight Per Student</u>
Allied Health	1.000
Biomedical Science	1.018
Nursing	1.138
Pharmacy	1.670
Public Health	1.721
Biomedical Informatics	1.750
Dental	4.601
Medical	4.753
Podiatry	4.753

Instructional programs at remote locations and the main campus at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler with enrollments of less than 200 students at individual campuses shall receive additional funding to compensate for the diseconomies of scale. The minimum formula shall generate additional funding per student, on a sliding scale, with programs with small enrollments receiving more additional funding per student.

2. **Infrastructure Support Formula.** Funding to the health-related institutions for plant support and utilities shall be distributed by the infrastructure support formula which is driven by the predicted square feet for the health-related institutions produced by the Space Projection Model developed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The rate per square foot is \$6.14 in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027 for all health-related institutions.
3. **Research Funding.** The health-related institutions shall retain 100 percent of indirect research costs recovered on grants. Each institution also receives research enhancement funding of \$1,412,500 plus 1.17 percent in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027 of its research expenditures as reported to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
4. **Research at Clinical Partners.** Research conducted by faculty of a health-related institution under a contract with a clinical partner shall be considered in the formula calculations for the Research Enhancement and E&G Space Support strategies as defined under Article III, Special Provisions Relating Only To State Agencies of Higher Education, Section 27, Subsection 2, Infrastructure Support Formula and Section 27, Subsection 3, Research Funding.
5. **Graduate Medical Education Formula.** The Graduate Medical Education Formulas shall provide funding on a per medical resident basis. Funding is based on a base value of \$11,940 per medical resident in an accredited program. Appropriations for Graduate Medical Education for fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027 are \$5,970 per resident.
6. **Health-Related Institution Graduate Medical Education.** The funds appropriated above in each of the health-related institutions bill pattern titled Graduate Medical Education (GME) shall be spent to increase the number of resident slots in the State of Texas as well as faculty costs relating to GME. In addition, each health-related institution shall work with the Higher Education Coordinating Board to develop new performance measures relating to increasing the number of resident slots in the State of Texas.
7. **Supplemental Non-formula Items.** Institutions shall receive a direct reimbursement as



applicable for staff group insurance, workers' compensation insurance, unemployment insurance, public education grants, medical loans, tuition revenue bond payments, and facility lease charges. Institutions may receive an appropriation for non-formula support items and hospital and clinic operations.

8. **Formula Study Committees.** These formulas shall be reviewed and updated by study committees appointed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and recommended changes forwarded to the Legislature, Legislative Budget Board, and Governor by June 1, 2026.
9. **Mission Specific Support - Cancer Center Operations.** The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center does not provide formal medical education which qualifies for instruction support under Subsection 1 above. Therefore, funding allocated to this institution shall be based on the following criteria:
  - a. The General Revenue Operations formula funding provided to The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Strategy A.2.1, Cancer Center Operations, shall be based on the total number of Texas cancer patients served at The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center. Monies appropriated from the General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2026 and 2027 shall be based on the number of total Texas cancer patients served in 2024. The rate per patient shall be \$1,528.74 in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027 for Strategy A.2.1, Cancer Center Operations. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for Health-Related Institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium.
  - b. The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, Governor, and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of the appropriate reports discussed above and supporting documentation which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocations in Subsection (a) above.
10. **Mission Specific Support - Performance Based Research Operations Formula.** The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center has a mission that is research intensive. To enhance research capacity, assist the institution in leveraging research grants and gifts, and support expansion of the institution's research operations, additional research formula funding shall be provided based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue Research Operations Formula funding allocated to The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Strategy B.1.2, Performance Based Research Operations Formula, shall be guided to the institution through two mechanisms that measure the institution's performance.
    - 1) Base Match allocations shall be based on the institution's average annual research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Base Match rate shall be 14.21 percent for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium. The Base Match rate shall be adjusted based on the average annualized increase or decrease in research expenditures from the prior biennium's three-year base average.
    - 2) Performance Incentive Tiered Match allocations shall be based on the increase of the institution's average annual research expenditures since the prior biennium. The calculation of this increase shall be based on the average annual research expenditures for the two-year base period preceding each biennium, as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Tiered Match shall allocate funding in three tiers that increase on a sliding scale. Tier 1 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 25.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$0 and \$10,000,000. Tier 2 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 50.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000. Tier 3 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 75.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures greater than \$20,000,000.

The institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula shall be expended for the purpose of research operations, expanding research capacity, and pursuing excellence in its research mission. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding for the Performance Based Research Operations Formula from one biennium to another may not exceed 5.0

percent of the institution's total General Revenue appropriations in the prior biennium, excluding appropriations for capital construction assistance project bond debt service. The Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation. In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution's performance-driven target, the formula mechanisms and performance-calculated match rates remain while the Legislature determines monies from the General Revenue Fund to be provided. In the 2026-27 biennium, \$163,609,158 from the General Revenue Fund is provided.

11. **Mission Specific Support - Performance Based Research Operations Formula.** To enhance research capacity at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, assist the institution in leveraging research grants and gifts, and support expansion of the institution's research operations, additional research formula funding shall be provided based on the following criteria:

- a. General Revenue Research Operations Formula funding allocated to The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston in Strategy B.1.2, Performance Based Research Operations Formula, shall be guided to the institution through two mechanisms that measure the institution's performance.
  - 1) Base Match allocations shall be based on the institution's average annual research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Base Match rate shall be 6.93 percent for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium. The Base Match rate shall be adjusted based on the average annualized increase or decrease in research expenditures from the prior biennium's three-year base average.
  - 2) Performance Incentive Tiered Match allocations shall be based on the increase of the institution's average annual research expenditures since the prior biennium. The calculation of this increase shall be based on the average annual research expenditures for the two-year base period preceding each biennium, as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Tiered Match shall allocate funding in three tiers that increase on a sliding scale. Tier 1 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 25.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$0 and \$10,000,000. Tier 2 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 50.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000. Tier 3 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 75.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures greater than \$20,000,000.

The institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula shall be expended for the purpose of research operations, expanding research capacity, and pursuing excellence in its research mission. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding for the Performance Based Research Operations Formula from one biennium to another may not exceed 5.0 percent of the institution's total General Revenue appropriations in the prior biennium, excluding appropriations for capital construction assistance project bond debt service. The Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation. In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution's performance-driven target, the formula mechanisms and performance-calculated match rates remain while the Legislature determines the monies from the General Revenue Fund to be provided. In the 2026-27 biennium, \$69,712,340 from the General Revenue Fund is provided.

12. **Mission Specific Support - Performance Based Research Operations Formula.** To enhance research capacity at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, assist the institution in leveraging research grants and gifts, and support expansion of the institution's research operations, additional research formula funding shall be provided based on the following criteria:

- a. General Revenue Research Operations Formula funding allocated to The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio in Strategy B.1.2, Performance Based Research Operations Formula, shall be guided to the institution through two mechanisms that measure the institution's performance.
  - 1) Base Match allocations shall be based on the institution's average annual research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education

Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Base Match rate shall be 9.25 percent for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium. The Base Match rate shall be adjusted based on the average annualized increase or decrease in research expenditures from the prior biennium's three-year base average.

- 2) Performance Incentive Tiered Match allocations shall be based on the increase of the institution's average annual research expenditures since the prior biennium. The calculation of this increase shall be based on the average annual research expenditures for the two-year base period preceding each biennium, as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Tiered Match shall allocate funding in three tiers that increase on a sliding scale. Tier 1 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 25.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$0 and \$10,000,000. Tier 2 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 50.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000. Tier 3 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 75.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures greater than \$20,000,000.

The institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula shall be expended for the purpose of research operations, expanding research capacity, and pursuing excellence in its research mission. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding for the Performance Based Research Operations Formula from one biennium to another may not exceed 5.0 percent of the institution's total General Revenue appropriations in the prior biennium, excluding appropriations for capital construction assistance project bond debt service. The Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation. In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution's performance-driven target, the formula mechanisms and performance-calculated match rates remain while the Legislature determines the General Revenue provided. In the 2026-27 biennium, \$61,029,080 from the General Revenue Fund is provided.

13. **Mission Specific Support - Multicategorical Teaching Hospital Support.** The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston operates a state owned hospital with a statutorily-based mission to operate a hospital and health system. Funding allocated to The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston for its hospitals and health system shall be based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue formula funding provided to The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston in Strategy A.1.7, Health System Operations, shall be based on the total number of Texas patient encounters in 2024 in trauma, primary care, diabetes, heart, psychiatry, and telemedicine. The rate per patient for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium shall be \$153.34. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for Health-Related Institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium.
  - b. The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, Governor, and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of the appropriate reports discussed above and supporting documentation, which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocations in Subsection (a) above.
14. **Mission Specific Support - Border Health Operations.** Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso serves border and rural communities through health care programs and operations. Funding allocated to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso for its border health operations shall be based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue formula funding provided to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso in Strategy A.1.6, Performance Based Border Health Operations, shall be based on the total number of Texas patient encounters in 2024. The rate per patient for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium shall be \$21.31. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for Health-Related Institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium.
  - b. Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, Governor, and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of the

appropriate reports discussed above and supporting documentation, which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocations in Subsection (a) above.

15. **Mission Specific Support - Performance Based Research Operations Formula.** To enhance research capacity at Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, assist the institution in leveraging research grants and gifts, and support expansion of the institution's research operations, additional research formula funding shall be provided based on the following criteria:
- a. General Revenue Research Operations Formula funding allocated to Texas A&M University System Health Science Center in Strategy B.1.2, Performance Based Research Operations Formula, shall be guided to the institution through two mechanisms that measure the institution's performance.
    - 1) Base Match allocations shall be based on the institution's average annual research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Base Match rate shall be 12.17 percent for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.
    - 2) Performance Incentive Tiered Match allocations shall be based on the increase of the institution's average annual research expenditures since the prior biennium. The calculation of this increase shall be based on the average annual research expenditures for the two-year base period preceding each biennium, as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Tiered Match shall allocate funding in three tiers that increase on a sliding scale. Tier 1 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 20.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$0 and \$2,500,000. Tier 2 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 40.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$2,500,000 and \$5,000,000. Tier 3 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 60.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures greater than \$5,000,000.
  - b. For purposes of calculating the base match rate for institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula for the 2026-27 biennium, the amounts associated with the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) contract shall be excluded from the research expenditures used for the calculations.

The institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula shall be expended for the purpose of research operations, expanding research capacity, and pursuing excellence in its research mission. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding for the Performance Based Research Operations Formula from one biennium to another may not exceed 5.0 percent of the institution's total General Revenue appropriations in the prior biennium, excluding appropriations for capital construction assistance project bond debt service. The Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation. In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution's performance-driven target, the formula mechanisms and performance-calculated match rates remain while the Legislature determines the monies from the General Revenue Fund to be provided. In the 2026-27 biennium, \$52,318,320 from the General Revenue Fund is provided.

16. **Mission Specific Support - Performance Based Research Operations Formula.** To enhance the Center for Human Identification at the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth, assist the institution in leveraging research grants and gifts, and support expansion of the institution's research operations, additional research formula funding shall be provided based on the following criteria:
- a. General Revenue Research Operations Formula funding allocated to University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth in Strategy B.1.2, Performance Based Research Operations Formula, shall be guided to the institution through two mechanisms that measure the institution's performance.
    - 1) Base Match allocations shall be based on the institution's average annual research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Base Match rate shall be 28.58 percent for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.

- 2) Performance Incentive Tiered Match allocations shall be based on the increase of the institution's average annual research expenditures since the prior biennium. The calculation of this increase shall be based on the average annual research expenditures for the two-year base period preceding each biennium, as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Tiered Match shall allocate funding in three tiers that increase on a sliding scale. Tier 1 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 20.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$0 and \$1,500,000. Tier 2 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 40.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$1,500,000 and \$3,000,000. Tier 3 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 60.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures greater than \$3,000,000.

The institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula shall be expended for the purpose of supporting the Center for Human Identification, the institution's research operations, and expanding research capacity. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding for the Performance Based Research Operations Formula from one biennium to another may not exceed 5.0 percent of the institution's total General Revenue appropriations in the prior biennium, excluding appropriations for capital construction assistance project bond debt service. The Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation. In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution's performance-driven target, the formula mechanisms and performance-calculated match rates remain while the Legislature determines the monies from the General Revenue to be provided. In the 2026-27 biennium, \$39,247,092 from the General Revenue Fund is provided.

17. **Mission Specific Support - Performance Based Research Operations Formula.** To enhance cancer research at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, assist the institution in leveraging research grants and gifts, and support expansion of the institution's research operations, additional research formula funding shall be provided based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue Research Operations Formula funding allocated to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Strategy B.1.2, Performance Based Research Operations Formula, shall be guided to the institution through two mechanisms that measure the institution's performance.
    - 1) Base Match allocations shall be based on the institution's average annual research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Base Match rate shall be 24.59 percent for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.
    - 2) Performance Incentive Tiered Match allocations shall be based on the increase of the institution's average annual research expenditures since the prior biennium. The calculation of this increase shall be based on the average annual research expenditures for the two-year base period preceding each biennium, as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, excluding research expenditures from state appropriations. The Tiered Match shall allocate funding in three tiers that increase on a sliding scale. Tier 1 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 25.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$0 and \$2,500,000. Tier 2 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 50.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures between \$2,500,000 and \$5,000,000. Tier 3 shall provide matching monies from the General Revenue Fund at a rate of 75.0 percent for any increase in the institution's average annual research expenditures greater than \$5,000,000.

The institution's Performance Based Research Operations Formula shall be expended for the purpose of supporting cancer research, the institution's research operations, and expanding research capacity. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding for the Performance Based Research Operations Formula from one biennium to another may not exceed 5.0 percent of the institution's total General Revenue appropriations in the prior biennium, excluding appropriations for capital construction assistance project bond debt service. The

Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation. In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution's performance-driven target, the formula mechanisms and performance-calculated match rates remain while the Legislature determines the monies from the General Revenue Fund to be provided. In the 2026-27 biennium, \$20,415,905 from the General Revenue Fund is provided.

18. **Mission Specific Support - Chest Disease Center Operations.** The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler has a statutory mission to conduct research, develop diagnostic and treatment techniques, provide training and teaching programs, and provide diagnosis and treatment of inpatients and outpatients with pulmonary, respiratory and other diseases of the chest. Funding allocated to the institution shall be based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue Operations formula funding appropriated to The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler in Strategy A.1.5, Chest Disease Center Operations, shall be based on the number of cases in which disease diagnoses are treated by The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler. Monies appropriated from the General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2026 and 2027 shall be based on the number of such cases treated in fiscal year 2024. The rate per case for fiscal year 2026 and 2027 shall be \$97.38. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for Health-Related Institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium.
  - b. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, Governor, and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of the appropriate report discussed above and supporting documentation which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocation in Subsection (a).
19. **Mission Specific Support - The University of Texas Academic Medical Center.** The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School operates and is establishing Texas' newest academic medical center providing patient-centered care headquartered at a world class research university. Funding allocated to The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School for the academic medical center shall be based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue formula funding provided to The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School in Strategy A.1.3, Academic Medical Center Support, shall be based on the total number of Texas patient encounters in 2024. The rate per patient for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium shall be \$150.00. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total formula funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for Health-Related Institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium.
  - b. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.
  - c. The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, Governor, and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of the appropriate reports discussed above and supporting documentation, which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocations in Subsection (a).
20. **Mission Specific Support - Sam Houston Regional Education Consortium.** Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine operates the Sam Houston Regional Education Consortium for Graduate Medical Education to address the shortage of physicians in rural areas by placing residents in rural and underserved areas. Funding allocated to Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine for the consortium shall be based on the following criteria:
  - a. General Revenue formula funding provided to Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Strategy A.1.3, Sam Houston Regional Consortium, shall be based on the total number of Texas patient encounters in 2024. The rate per patient for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium shall be \$150.00. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total formula funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for Health-Related Institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium.
  - b. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.
  - c. Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine shall submit to the

Legislative Budget Board, Governor, and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of the appropriate reports discussed above and supporting documentation, which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocations in Subsection (a).

21. **Dental Clinical Education Support.** In addition to other appropriations made by this act, the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, the Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso shall each be appropriated \$3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to support dental clinics owned and operated by the institution and provide clinical experience to students of the dental school. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

It is the intent of the Legislature that following the 2026-27 biennium, funding to support dental clinics operated by the institution and provide clinical experience to students of the dental school shall be allocated to each health-related institution listed above based on the following criteria:

- a. Monies from the General Revenue Fund provided to each of the health-related institutions listed above for Dental Clinical Education shall be based on the average annual number of patient visits to a dental clinic owned and operated by the institution in the previous three-year period as reported to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board multiplied by the base rate set by the Legislature. The base rate per patient for each fiscal year of the biennium shall be \$56.48. For formula funding purposes, the amount of growth in total funding from one biennium to another may not exceed the average growth in funding for health-related institutions in the Instruction and Operations Support formula for the current biennium. The Legislative Budget Board shall implement the funding in accordance with this limitation
- b. It is the intent of the Legislature that monies from the General Revenue Fund provided to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso for Dental Clinical Education shall be \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium until funding provided by subsection (a) exceeds \$3,000,000 in each fiscal year.
- c. The health-related institutions listed above shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a copy of supporting documentation which provides the necessary information to calculate the formula allocations in subsection (a) above.

In a biennium in which funding is not available to meet the institution’s funding determined in subsection (a), the formula mechanisms remain while the Legislature determines the General Revenue provided.

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 53. Research Funding for General Academic Institutions.** Below are informational amounts related to the Texas Research University Fund and the Comprehensive Research Fund.

1. **Texas Research University Fund.** The Texas Research University Fund shall provide funding to The University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University based on each institution's average research expenditures for the previous three-year period as reported to the Higher Education Coordinating Board. For the 2026-27 biennium, each institution receives 9.9 percent of its three-year average of total research expenditures as reported to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The amounts listed below for informational purposes are appropriated out of the General Revenue Fund elsewhere in the Act in each affected institution's "Texas Research University Fund" strategy and shall be expended to support faculty for the purpose of instructional excellence and research. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
The University of Texas at Austin	\$44,695,768	\$44,695,768
Texas A&M University	\$51,096,589	\$51,096,589
Total	\$95,792,357	\$95,792,357

2. **Comprehensive Research Fund.** The Comprehensive Research Fund shall provide funding to promote increased research capacity at general academic institutions, excluding The University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M University, and institutions of higher education eligible for appropriations through the National Research Support Fund or the Texas University Fund.

Funding to eligible institutions shall be allocated in the same manner that research performance funding is appropriated to institutions eligible to receive funding from the Texas University Fund under Education Code, Section 62.1482(a). Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are hereby appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 60. Interim Study and Report on Performance-Based Funding and Removal of Institutional Enhancements for General Academic Institutions.** Using funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) shall conduct a study on performance-based funding during the 2026-27 biennium with the intention to remove institutional enhancements at the end of fiscal year 2027. The THECB shall conduct the study in consultation with the executive committee and shall have final authority for producing recommendations aligned with state goals.

1. **Composition of Executive Committee.** An executive committee composed of individuals nominated from each higher education system with a general academic institution and Texas Southern University. The Commissioner of Higher Education shall issue a call for nominations from each Chancellor and the President of Texas Southern University and appoint the committee, with a maximum number of 21 committee members, no later than September 15, 2025. The committee shall include 5 members from The University of Texas System, 5 members from Texas A&M University System, 3 members from the Texas State University System, 2 members from the University of Houston System, 2 members from the University of North Texas System, 2 members from the Texas Tech University System, 1 member from Texas Woman's University System, and 1 member from Texas Southern University.
2. **Advisory Groups.** The THECB may convene advisory groups, in consultation with the executive committee, composed of representatives from across accountability groups, university systems, employer or industry representatives, and regions of the state to provide expert information and data to support the study review.
3. **Study Requirements.** The THECB shall oversee the development of the study, provide technical and analytical expertise, and facilitate engagement with the Legislature and relevant stakeholders. The study shall examine:
  - a. comprehensive formula funding levels for general academic institutions,
  - b. student success indicators including performance data metrics,
  - c. support needed for regional institutions in delivering high-quality education, and
  - d. the cost to maintain stable funding for all institutions in future biennia.
4. **Executive Committee Recommendations.** The executive committee shall submit a report to the THECB, reflecting a consensus of the executive committee, that makes recommendations for consideration by the Ninetieth Legislature, Regular Session, regarding performance-based funding in the 2028-29 biennium to support and improve student outcomes in alignment with state postsecondary goals.
5. **Final THECB Recommendations.** Input from the executive committee shall inform, but not bind, the final THECB recommendations. The THECB shall submit its report, with final recommendations, to the Speaker of the House, Lieutenant Governor, House Appropriations Committee, Senate Finance Committee, Legislative Budget Board, and the Governor by August 1, 2026.

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 61. Administrative Salaries.** The Governing Board of a general academic institution shall ensure the average annual amount spent on salary for full-time individuals employed in the classified personnel system of the institution, as defined by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Standard Occupational Classifications (SOC), or a person employed in a similar type of position if the institution does not have a classified personnel system, is consistent with the following:

1. The total annual salaries of all full-time employees classified as SOC 11, Management Occupations, or employed in a similar position, shall be no more than \$4,000 per full-time student per year.
2. The total annual salaries of all full-time employees classified as SOC 13, Business and Financial Operations Occupations, or employed in a similar position, shall be no more than \$1,600 per full-time student per year.
3. The total annual salaries of all full-time employees classified as SOC 43, Office and



Administrative Support Occupations, or employed in a similar position, shall be no more than \$1,600 per full-time student per year.

General academic institutions shall prepare and submit a semi-annual report of such salaries to the State Auditor’s Office (SAO), in a format and contents determined by the SAO. The SAO shall compile the information received into a report and submit the report to the legislature.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 62. Additional Funding for Article III - Higher Education.** a) In addition to amounts appropriated in Article III, the following amounts are appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the following institutions in the 2026-27 biennium:

<u>Angelo State University</u> Center of Excellence for AI	\$5,000,000
<u>The University of Texas at Tyler</u> Longview Campus Expansion	\$5,000,000
<u>The University of Texas at Dallas</u> Institutional Enhancement	\$15,000,000

(b) In subsection (a), the funding of the Longview Campus Expansion at The University of Texas at Tyler is contingent on approval by a two-thirds majority in each chamber of the legislature. In accordance with Texas Constitution Article VII, Section 18(i), the legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for the Longview Campus Expansion at The University of Texas at Tyler, and that such appropriation may be used for such improvements.

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Sec. 51. Diversity of Student Body at National Research Universities.** It is the intent of the Legislature that, in expending funds appropriated by this Act, The University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University shall make a good faith effort to improve the racial diversity of the university's student body and shall, in determining admissions and in adopting any institutional policy, comply with the United States Constitution and Texas Constitution.

**CXII. ARTICLE III, SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 12,500,000

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

. **Goal:** ADDITIONAL ITEMS

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

... **Strategy:** ADDITIONAL ITEMS  
Additional Items.

## ARTICLE IV

### CXIII. SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

#### **Basic Civil Legal Services.**

- (a) **Appropriation.** All unobligated and unexpended balances remaining in the Basic Civil Legal Services Account at the end of fiscal year 2025 (estimated to be \$0) and all fees deposited into the Account in Judicial Fund No. 573 are appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Basic Civil Legal Services, in fiscal year 2026. Any fees deposited and any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining in excess of \$17,144,000 each fiscal year (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Supreme Court of Texas for the same purpose.

The Supreme Court of Texas shall file a report with the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor by November 29th and May 29th of each fiscal year showing disbursements from all funding sources for Basic Civil Legal Services, the purpose for each disbursement, and compliance with grant conditions.

- (b) **Services for Victims of Sexual Assault.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Basic Civil Legal Services, from General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010 funds include \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 for basic civil legal services to victims of sexual assault that may only be used for the purposes established for the Supreme Court of Texas in Government Code, Section §420.008.
- (c) **Services for Veterans.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Basic Civil Legal Services, include \$3,500,000 each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing basic civil legal services to veterans and their families.

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Supreme Court Support Fee.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Appellate Court Operations, include an amount estimated to be \$200,000 in each fiscal year from the Supreme Court Support Account in the Judicial Fund No. 573. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining from funds appropriated to the Supreme Court of Texas in Strategy A.1.1, Appellate Court Operations, out of the Supreme Court Support Account in the Judicial Fund No. 573 as of August 31, 2025, (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Supreme Court of Texas for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025, for the same purpose.

### CXIV. COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

#### **Judicial Education.**

- (a) **Administrative Allocation.**

- (1) Funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, include a 3 percent administrative allocation estimated to be \$455,340 in fiscal years 2026 and 2027 out of General Revenue-Dedicated Judicial and Court Personnel Training Fund No. 540. All unobligated and unexpended balances in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 that are remaining from funds appropriated in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, and allocated for administrative purposes as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose as of September 1, 2026.

In addition to these amounts, \$200,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 of the amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, are allocated for administrative or training purposes or other purposes at the discretion of the Court of Criminal Appeals which further the objectives of Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education.

All unobligated and unexpended balances of funds appropriated to Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, and allocated for administrative purposes at the end of fiscal year 2025 are appropriated to Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, in fiscal year 2026 (not to exceed \$200,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Judicial and Court Personnel Training Fund No.

540, and included in amounts appropriated above).

- (2) For the purposes of this rider, the term administration shall include administrative oversight functions, accounting and auditing functions, management studies, performance audits, and other studies initiated by the Court of Criminal Appeals or any other agency of the Judicial Branch, as directed by the order of the Court of Criminal Appeals.

(b) **Appropriations for Certain Types of Legal Education and Training.**

- (1) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, from General Revenue-Dedicated Judicial and Court Personnel Training Fund No. 540, the following amounts are for the following purposes:
  - (A) **Judges of County Courts.** An amount estimated to be \$790,557 each fiscal year shall be expended for no other purpose than for the continuing legal education of judges of county courts performing judicial functions.
  - (B) **Prosecutors and Staff.** An amount estimated to be \$2,457,599 each fiscal year shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with a statewide professional association of prosecuting attorneys and other entities to provide continuing legal education courses, programs, and technical assistance projects for prosecutors and prosecutor office personnel.
  - (C) **Criminal Defense Attorneys and Staff.** An amount estimated to be \$2,388,854 each fiscal year shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with a statewide professional association of criminal defense attorneys and other entities to provide continuing legal education courses, programs, and technical assistance projects for criminal defense attorneys and criminal defense attorney office personnel who regularly represent indigent defendants in criminal matters.
  - (D) **Clerks and Court Personnel.** A minimum of \$1,081,731 each fiscal year shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with training entities providing for the training and continuing legal education of the clerks and other court personnel of the appellate courts, district courts, county courts at law, county courts, justice courts, and municipal courts of this State in accordance with Government Code, Section 74.025.
  - (E) **Innocence Education.** An amount estimated to be \$584,155 each fiscal year shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with statewide professional associations and other entities whose purposes include providing continuing legal education courses, programs, and technical assistance projects on actual innocence for criminal defense attorneys, prosecuting attorneys, judges, bailiffs, constables, warrant officers, or other persons as provided by statute.
  - (F) **Public Defenders.** An amount estimated to be \$69,703 each fiscal year shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with statewide professional associations and other entities whose purposes include providing continuing legal education, courses, and programs for public defenders.
  - (G) **Indigent Defendants and Mental Health.** An amount estimated to be \$332,512 for the 2026-27 biennium shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with statewide professional associations and other entities whose purposes include providing judicial education services and providing training on indigent defendants and mental health.
  - (H) **Indigent Disposition Process and Judge Mentor Program.** An amount estimated to be \$524,230 for the 2026-27 biennium shall be used for no other purpose than to contract with statewide professional associations and other entities whose purposes include providing judicial education services and direct training costs for clinics for judges and court personnel regarding bail, fines, fees, requests for community service, jail commitments, and jail credit in cases involving indigents, and for development of a mentor program for new municipal court judges and webinars on legislative reform, bail, indigence, compliance, collections improvement programs, alternative sentencing, case flow management, and jail commitments.
- (2) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, from the General Revenue Fund, the following amounts are for the following purposes:
  - (A) **Mental Health.** The Court of Criminal Appeals shall use \$187,500 appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, from the General Revenue Fund each fiscal year

for no other purpose than to contract with statewide professional associations and other entities whose purposes include providing continuing legal education, courses, and programs for judges and court staff, prosecuting attorneys, and criminal defense attorneys on mental health issues and pre-trial diversion. Judicial education shall include information for judges and staff on mental health care resources available in the court's geographic region.

- (B) **Judicial Training.** Included in amounts appropriated above from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, are \$250,000 each fiscal year for continuing a training program to educate and inform judges and their staff of mental health care resources available in Texas. The Court of Criminal Appeals shall work with the Supreme Court of Texas to develop the program with amounts appropriated for this purpose.
- (3) **Grant Funding Procedures.** The Court of Criminal Appeals shall maintain procedures to require training entities to either refund all unexpended and unencumbered state grant funds or retain and use those funds for training purposes subject to the approval of the Court of Criminal Appeals each fiscal year. All refunds received by the Court of Criminal Appeals from grants made to training entities (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Court of Criminal Appeals in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, each fiscal year for the same purposes.
- (4) **Judicial and Court Personnel Training Report.** The Court of Criminal Appeals shall report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor on November 29th and May 29th each fiscal year showing the allocation of grants and expenditures from General Revenue-Dedicated Judicial and Court Personnel Training Fund No. 540, the amount and allocation of unexpended prior year grant funds held by training entities, and the results of grant audits.
- (c) **Reimbursement for Travel Expenses.** Funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, for the purposes established in Government Code, Section 56.003(b), may be granted only pursuant to a grant contract which provides for the reimbursement of expenses of judges pursuant to Government Code, Section 74.062. This rider shall not apply to funds granted for the purpose of providing continuing legal education for judges of county courts performing judicial functions.
- (d) **Alternatives to Inpatient Mental Health Treatment for Forensic Cases.** Funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Judicial Education, may be used to educate judges, prosecuting attorneys, and criminal defense attorneys on alternatives to inpatient mental health treatment that may be appropriate for certain individuals under forensic commitment, including individuals charged with a misdemeanor or felony offense that involved dangerous conduct because a judge or jury has determined them to be not guilty by reason of insanity, but who are ordered by a court to receive mental health treatment. Alternatives to inpatient mental health treatment for individuals under forensic commitment may include outpatient competency restoration, jail-based competency restoration, residential rehabilitation units, and conditional release. The Court of Criminal Appeals may use appropriations to take steps to make judges, prosecuting attorneys, and criminal defense attorneys involved with forensic commitment cases aware of these educational opportunities.

CXV. OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION, TEXAS JUDICIAL COUNCIL

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 113,448,796	\$ 74,136,690

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):	379.7	379.7

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Texas Indigent Defense Commission (TIDC).

- (a) **Consolidated Fees on Conviction.** Amounts appropriated above from the General Revenue-

Dedicated Fair Defense Account No. 5073 in Strategy D.1.1, Texas Indigent Defense Commission, include court costs pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 133, Subchapter C, Criminal Fees.

- (b) **Grants to Counties.** Also, out of the amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, TIDC shall make grants to counties from the General Revenue-Dedicated Fair Defense Account No. 5073 in accordance with all uses authorized by Government Code, Chapter 79, with funds being disbursed by the Comptroller. Of this amount, \$2,566,528 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,474,370 in fiscal year 2027 shall be distributed to counties that implement cost containment initiatives designed to limit local indigent defense cost increases. No portion of the appropriation governed by this subsection shall be used to offset the Office of Court Administration's administrative support provided to the TIDC except by mutual agreement of the TIDC and the Office of Court Administration.
- (c) **TIDC County Cost Reduction Report.** TIDC shall submit a report to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2026, detailing the effectiveness of various cost containment measures implemented by counties and proposing additional measures to reduce county operating costs with respect to indigent defense.
- (d) **Innocence Projects.** Out of amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Texas Indigent Defense Commission, \$600,000 in each year of the biennium from the General Revenue-Dedicated Fair Defense Account No. 5073 shall be used by the Commission to contract with law schools at the University of Houston, the University of Texas, Texas Tech University, Texas Southern University, University of North Texas and Texas A&M University to support innocence project screening, investigation, and litigation activities regarding claims of actual innocence in non-capital cases in Texas and associated expenses necessary to conduct those activities. Funding shall be used to provide direct assistance to investigate actual innocence cases post-conviction and to pursue relief for defendants with credible claims of actual innocence, and shall not be used for legal clinic expenses, teaching, and student supervision. The amount of each contract with each university shall be \$100,000. Any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining from the \$600,000 in funds designated for innocence projects as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to Strategy D.1.1, Texas Indigent Defense Commission, for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (e) **Indigent Defense with Mental Illness.** Out of the amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Texas Indigent Defense Commission, \$2,500,000 in General Revenue-Dedicated Fair Defense Account No. 5073 each fiscal year shall be used to provide funding to public defender offices and managed assigned counsel programs for the early identification and specialized representation of indigent defendants with a mental illness. The Commission shall use the funds to provide grants to public defender offices and managed assigned counsel programs to expand the capacity of existing mental health defender programs, to establish mental health defender programs in counties currently without these programs, and/or to sustain effective mental health defender programs.
- (f) **Rural Regional Public Defender Sustainability Grants - Wharton and Matagorda.** Out of amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, TIDC shall include grant funding to establish and operate on an ongoing basis a regional public defender office to serve Wharton and Matagorda Counties. TIDC shall fully fund approved program costs for the first year of the program and two-thirds of eligible costs in subsequent years.
- (g) **Allowable Uses of Grant Funds.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act, funds appropriated to the Texas Indigent Defense Commission for grants to public defender offices related to Operation Lone Star shall not be used, directly or indirectly, to fund appellate proceedings.
- (h) **Far West Texas Regional Public Defender Sustainability Grants.** Out of amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Texas Indigent Defense Commission, \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated in fiscal year 2026 to establish and operate on an ongoing basis a regional public defender office to serve Terrell and Val Verde Counties.
- (i) **Unexpended Balance Authority.** Out of amounts appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Texas Indigent Defense Commission under strategy D.1.1, Texas Indigent Defense Commission, for the 2024-25 biennium for Operation Lonestar, any unobligated or unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2025 (not to exceed \$10,000,000), are appropriated for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for programs in rural counties, created on or before September 1, 2025. The use of any remaining balances may only be used for programs with one-time expenses or temporary assistance.

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Judicial Branch Certification Commission pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 152 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of the appropriations made above in Strategy C.1.1, Judicial Branch Certification Commission, as well as the amount identified above in the informational item "Other Direct and Indirect Costs Appropriated Elsewhere in this Act". "Other direct and indirect costs" for the Judicial Branch Certification Commission are estimated to be \$648,482 in fiscal year 2026 and \$648,482 in fiscal year 2027.

In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Contingency for Senate Bill 9.** Out of amounts appropriated above the Office of Court Administration is appropriated \$323,559 in fiscal year 2026 and \$289,264 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue in Strategy A.1.1, Court Administration, and \$5,410,012 in fiscal year 2026 and \$101,412 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue and 2.0 FTEs each fiscal year in Strategy A.1.2, Information Technology, for the purposes of implementing the provisions of Senate Bill 9, or similar legislation, relating to the release of defendants on bail, the duties of a magistrate in certain criminal proceedings, the regulation of charitable bail organizations, and the notice provided by peace officers to victims of family violence, stalking, harassment, or terroristic threat.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Business Court Filing Fees.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.1.1, Administer Business Court, filing fees authorized and collected by the Supreme Court of Texas for filings and actions in the business court, and for jury fees, as of August 31, 2025, shall be appropriated to the business court. These funds are appropriated for use by the business court pursuant to Government Code, Section 25A.018, to support the costs of administering the business court and to provide reimbursement to counties for drawing jury panels, selection of jurors, paying jurors and other jury-related processing costs incurred by the district court in the county in which the trial is held. Fees collected under Local Government Code Section 133.151 (a)(1), Section 133.151 (a)(2), Section 133.151 (a-1) and Section 135.101 are not appropriated to the business court by this Act.

CXVI. OFFICE OF CAPITAL AND FORENSIC WRITS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,374,154	\$ 4,339,955

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> NON-CAPITAL REPRESENTATION	\$ 1,090,258	\$ 1,068,268
Post-Conviction Non-capital Representation.		

CXVII. STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 2,359,492	\$ 2,331,212

CXVIII. JUDICIARY SECTION, COMPTROLLER'S DEPARTMENT

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 132,828,558	\$ 132,789,457

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Special Prosecution Unit: Appropriation Source, Unexpended Balances and Performance Reporting.** Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.4, Special Prosecution Unit, Walker County, and under the authority of the Code of Criminal Procedure, Article 104.003, and Article V, Section 21 of the Texas Constitution, Walker County, the following amounts are appropriated to the Special Prosecution Unit for the payment of salaries and other necessary expenses for the operation of the Special Prosecution Unit for the following purposes:

	For the Years Ending	
	August 31,	August 31,
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Special Prosecution Unit</b>		
Criminal Division	\$ 3,146,480	\$ 3,101,567
Civil Division	\$ 3,515,991	\$ 3,520,688
Juvenile Division	\$ 1,657,679	\$ 1,658,764
Total, Special Prosecution Unit	\$ <u>8,320,150</u>	\$ <u>8,281,049</u>
<b>Method of Financing</b>		
General Revenue	\$ 6,799,608	\$ 6,760,507
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Criminal Justice Division Grants	<u>\$ 1,520,542</u>	<u>\$ 1,520,542</u>
Total, Method of Financing	\$ 8,320,150	\$ 8,281,049

Funds for the Criminal Division are to be used for the investigation and prosecution of felony offenses committed by prisoners of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and, for the investigation and prosecution of other felonies and misdemeanors committed by agency employees and others when criminal conduct affects the operation of the agency in the various counties of the State where Texas Department of Criminal Justice facilities are located. Funds for the Civil Division are to be used for the civil commitment of sexually violent predators. Funds for the Juvenile Division are to be used for the prosecution of criminal offenses or delinquent conduct committed in facilities of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.

The funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.4, Special Prosecution Unit, Walker County, shall be used to employ the services of legal and support staff plus the payment of their necessary capital and operating expenses in carrying out the purposes of the Special Prosecution Unit as established by its Board of Directors. Funds shall not be used to pay any county for costs of housing the Special Prosecution Unit in a county-owned building.

Walker County is the designated agency to administer the funds provided for the support of the Special Prosecution Unit. Walker County shall submit a voucher containing an itemized statement of expenses to include salaries, fringe benefits and authorized expenses incurred to the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department each month of the fiscal year. Such vouchers shall be reviewed by the Walker County Auditor's Office to ensure compliance with applicable state and county regulation concerning the expenditures of public funds. Upon receipt of said vouchers, the Judiciary Section, Comptroller's Department shall issue warrants each month to reimburse Walker County. The total reimbursement each year shall not exceed the amount appropriated, and in no event shall amounts appropriated be expended to reimburse Walker County or other counties for lease space in county-owned buildings.

Any unexpended balances from appropriations out of the General Revenue Fund made to the Special Prosecution Unit for fiscal year 2026 are appropriated to the Special Prosecution Unit in fiscal year 2027 for the same purposes.

At the discretion of the Executive Director of the Special Prosecution Unit, any monies appropriated from the General Revenue Fund above in Strategy D.1.4, Special Prosecution Unit, Walker County, may be transferred between divisions in an amount not to exceed 20 percent of the appropriation item

from which the transfer is made for the fiscal year.

After obtaining written approval from the Legislative Budget Board, the Special Prosecution Unit may exceed the 20 percent discretionary transfer authority provided to the Executive Director of the Special Prosecution Unit.

The Special Prosecution Unit shall submit a report each January 1 to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor for the preceding fiscal year ending August 31. The report must be in a format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor and must include annual statistical information on activities of the Special Prosecution Unit.

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Contingency for Senate Bill \_\_\_\_.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, District and Business Court Judges, include estimated appropriations totaling \$180,000 each fiscal year to provide supplemental compensation for a business court judge not to exceed \$18,000 per fiscal year, contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill \_\_\_\_, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, or similar legislation, relating to the salary of a business court judge.

**CXIX. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 64,766,343	\$ 68,529,344

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 10,833,225	\$ 11,372,112
Retirement Contributions. Estimated.		

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE	\$ 24,423,093	\$ 27,664,387
Group Insurance Contributions. Estimated.		

**CXX. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 16,428,278	\$ 16,919,795

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE MATCH -- EMPLOYER	\$ 16,536,776	\$ 17,043,387
State Match -- Employer. Estimated.		



ARTICLE V

CXXI. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 59,889,643	\$ 59,889,644

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.2. Strategy: INFORMATION RESOURCES	\$ 5,482,507	\$ 5,482,507

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission pursuant to Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code, Section 205.02 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made above, as well as the amount identified above in the informational item "Other Direct and Indirect Costs Appropriated Elsewhere in this Act." "Other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$18,299,123 fiscal year 2026 and \$18,476,028 for fiscal year 2027. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

CXXII. DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,698,721,463	\$ 4,579,153,407

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):	41,423.4	41,423.4

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 10	\$ 319,813	\$ 319,813

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Presiding Officer, Board of Pardons and Paroles, Group 7	\$ 220,000	\$ 220,000

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Parole Board Member, Group 5	\$ 155,000	\$ 155,000

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.1.7. Strategy: INST'L OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE Institutional Operations and Maintenance.	\$ 285,527,436	\$ 285,527,436

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
D.1.3. Strategy: INSTITUTIONAL PAROLE OPERATIONS	\$ 17,435,755	\$ 17,435,753

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Medical and Psychiatric Care Cost Per Inmate Day	17.59	16.95

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Inmates Incarcerated	147,594	151,116

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Offenders Under Active Parole Supervision	76,675	81,863

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Land and Other Real Property		
(1) Infirmary Capacity Expansion	\$ 22,800,000	\$ 0
b. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Repair and Rehabilitation of Facilities	\$ 105,470,000	\$ 0
c. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Computer and Software Acquisitions	\$ 3,453,000	\$ 3,453,000
(2) Board of Pardons and Paroles - Computer & Software Acquisitions	248,394	248,394
(3) Inmate Banking System	1,145,000	1,145,000
(4) Body-Worn Cameras	7,600,000	7,600,000
(5) Comprehensive Video Surveillance Systems	3,148,151	3,148,151
(6) Staff Retention - Learning Management System	2,571,000	1,521,000
(7) Staff Retention - Wellness Application	<u>875,000</u>	<u>875,000</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 19,040,545	\$ 17,990,545
d. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1) Correctional Security Equipment	\$ 440,000	\$ 440,000
(2) Agricultural Operations	502,740	502,739
(3) Replacement of Operational Support Equipment	2,530,614	2,530,613
(4) Equipment Replacements for Industrial Operations	1,917,210	1,917,210
(5) Capital Equipment	<u>54,386,116</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items	\$ 59,776,680	\$ 5,390,562

e. Data Center/Shared Technology Services			
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$	41,786,038	\$ 41,070,611
f. Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS)			
(1) Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System	\$	1,310,982	\$ 1,310,982
Total, Capital Budget	\$	250,184,245	\$ 65,762,700
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):			
<u>General Revenue Fund</u>			
General Revenue Fund	\$	247,122,035	\$ 62,700,490
Education and Recreation Program Receipts		1,145,000	1,145,000
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund	\$	248,267,035	\$ 63,845,490
Interagency Contracts - Texas Correctional Industries	\$	1,917,210	\$ 1,917,210
Total, Method of Financing	\$	250,184,245	\$ 65,762,700

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Continuity of Care.**

- (a) Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Special Needs Programs and Services, the Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments (TCOOMMI) shall coordinate with county and municipal jails, and community centers as defined in the Health and Safety Code, Section 534.001, on establishing methods for the continuity of care for pre- and post-release activities of defendants who are returned to the county of conviction after the defendant's competency has been restored.
- (b) As part of the Continuity of Care Plan and in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each fiscal year, TCOOMMI shall provide up to a 90-day post-release supply of medication, related lab cost and prescriber cost to defendants who, after having been committed to a state mental health facility for restoration of competency under Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 46B, are being returned to the committing court for trial. The up to 90-day supply of medication shall be the same as prescribed in the Continuity of Care Plan prepared by the state mental health facility. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Special Needs Programs and Services, TCOOMMI shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with county and municipal jails or through contracted community centers as defined in the Health and Safety Code, Section 534.001 for the purpose of reimbursing each entity in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 each fiscal year for providing medication to defendants. TCOOMMI shall report amounts reimbursed to each entity to the appropriate legislative oversight committees by October 1 of each fiscal year.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Monitoring of Community Supervision Diversion Funds.** From funds appropriated above, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) shall maintain a specific accountability system for tracking community supervision funds targeted at making a positive impact on the criminal justice system.

In addition to continuing the recommendations made by the State Auditor's Office in the September 2012 report (Report No. 13-004) to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice regarding the monitoring of community supervision and corrections departments (CSCDs) to ensure that Diversion Program grant funds have been spent as intended, the agency shall implement a monitoring system so that the use of funds appropriated in Strategies A.1.2, A.1.3, and A.1.4, can be specifically identified.

The agency shall produce, on an annual basis, detailed monitoring, tracking, utilization, and effectiveness information on the above mentioned funds. This information shall include information on the impact of any new initiatives. Examples include number of offenders served, number of residential beds funded, number of community supervision officers hired, and caseload sizes. The agency shall provide documentation regarding the methodology used to distribute the funds. In addition to any other requests for information, the agency shall report the above information for the previous fiscal year to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office by December 31st of each year.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriation for Salary Increase for Community Supervision and Correction Departments.** Appropriation for Salary Increase for Community Supervision and Correction Departments. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Basic Supervision, the Department of Criminal Justice is appropriated \$43,263,185 in fiscal year 2026 and \$43,263,185 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund in order to maintain the pay increase for employees of local Community Supervision and Correction Departments provided in the prior biennium. Salary increases were allocated to provide a 5.0 percent increase in annual salary with a minimum of \$3,000 per annum increase in salary, to begin on September 1, 2023, and another increase in annual salary to occur on September 1, 2024, consisting of an additional 5.0 percent increase with a minimum of \$3,000 per annum increase in salary. Appropriations include amounts needed for payroll-based benefits.

Also included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Basic Supervision, is \$11,611,860 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund and \$11,611,861 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund in order to provide a pay increase for employees of local Community Supervision and Correction Departments. These funds shall be allocated to provide an increase in annual salary to begin on September 1, 2025.

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Victim’s Liaison Program.** Included in the amounts appropriated above is \$653,203 from General Revenue-Dedicated Account No. 469, Compensation to Victims of Crime, in each fiscal year in Strategy D.1.1, Board of Pardons and Paroles, for the agency’s Victim’s Liaison Program. Prior to the use of any General Revenue funds appropriated by this act for the Victim’s Liaison Program, the Board of Pardons and Paroles shall first expend all other funds received through other methods of finance for this purpose.

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Giles Dalby Correctional Facility.** Included in the amounts appropriated above is \$20,625,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$20,625,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund for the operation of the Giles W. Dalby Correctional Facility in Post, Texas.

**CXXIII. COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,223,731	\$ 3,203,730

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 5	\$ 154,000	\$ 154,000

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,188,844	\$ 1,188,844

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Commission on Fire Protection pursuant to Texas Government Code, Sections 419.025 and 419.026 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made above, as well as the amount identified above in the informational item "Other Direct and Indirect Costs Appropriated Elsewhere in this Act" in addition to \$1,500,000 over the biennium. "Other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,496,304 for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,510,227 for fiscal year 2027. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs

identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

CXXIV. COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 2,318,442	\$ 2,068,442

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 3	\$ 143,323	\$ 143,323

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Maternal Health and Mortality Report.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards in Strategy A.3.1, Auditing Population and Costs, is \$15,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to be used for no other purpose than to produce a report on Maternal Health and Mortality in Texas jails. The report shall utilize a statistical methodology to compare the findings with available data on statewide outcomes. The report should include the following:

- (1) The nature and use of restraints on pregnant inmates;
- (2) Mental health indicators;
- (3) Prenatal Care;
- (4) Mortality rates by cause of death;
- (5) Acute complications;
- (6) Birth rates;
- (7) Regionality of inmates; and
- (8) Any additional information that the Commission deems appropriate.

The agency shall submit the report to the Legislative Budget Board, the Senate Committee on Criminal Justice, the House Committee on Corrections, and the House Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs no later than December 1, 2026.

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Continuity of Care Query Report.** Included in funds appropriated above to the Commission on Jail Standards (TCJS) in Strategy A.3.1, Auditing Population and Costs, is \$250,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to be used for no other purpose than for the commission to complete bi-annual reports on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) and Continuity of Care Query (CCQ) data that has been collected. Not later than December 1, 2026, TCJS shall produce a report summarizing the data and providing recommendations to the legislature on ways to improve CCQ matches. Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

CXXV. JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 459,132,930	\$ 448,338,011

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):	2,255.3	2,255.3

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.2. Strategy: BASIC PROBATION SERVICES	\$ 116,566,745	\$ 118,023,896

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.4. Strategy: PRE & POST ADJUDICATION FACILITIES	\$ 32,619,167	\$ 31,909,167
Pre and Post Adjudication Facilities.		

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.3. Strategy: FACILITY SUPERVISION & FOOD SERVICE	\$ 79,469,691	\$ 78,494,165
Facility Supervision and Food Service.		

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.4. Strategy: EDUCATION	\$ 17,887,903	\$ 17,387,903

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
B.1.6. Strategy: HEALTH CARE	\$ 12,560,256	\$ 12,560,255

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
C.1.1. Strategy: PAROLE DIRECT SUPRVSN & REENTRY SVS	\$ 2,923,930	\$ 2,923,930
Parole Direct Supervision and Reentry Services.		

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) 33-Electrical	\$ 3,538,850	\$ 0

b. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies			
(1) Usage of Body-worn Cameras	\$	2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000
(2) 100-Modernization of Information Technology and Equipment Refresh		379,168	0
(3) 104-Infrastructure Refresh		<u>500,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$	2,879,168	\$ 2,000,000
c. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items			
(1) Body Scanners	\$	710,000	\$ 0
d. Data Center/Shared Technology Services			
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$	2,520,000	\$ 2,520,000
e. Cybersecurity			
(1) 107-Cybersecurity Improvements	\$	585,000	\$ 0
f. Legacy Modernization			
(1) Connect Upgrades	\$	1,000,000	\$ 0
(2) Juvenile Probation App Modernization		<u>2,500,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Legacy Modernization	\$	<u>3,500,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Capital Budget	\$	<u>13,733,018</u>	<u>\$ 4,520,000</u>
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):			
General Revenue Fund	\$	<u>13,733,018</u>	<u>\$ 4,520,000</u>
Total, Method of Financing	\$	<u>13,733,018</u>	<u>\$ 4,520,000</u>

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Reporting Requirements to the Legislative Budget Board.** From funds appropriated above, the Juvenile Justice Department shall maintain a specific accountability system for tracking funds targeted at making a positive impact on youth. JJD shall implement a tracking and monitoring system so that the use of all funds appropriated can be specifically identified and reported to the Legislative Budget Board. In addition to any other requests for information, the agency shall produce an annual report on the following information for the previous fiscal year to the Legislative Budget Board by December 1st of each year:

- (a) The report shall include detailed monitoring, tracking, utilization, and effectiveness information on all funds appropriated in Goal A, Community Juvenile Justice. The report shall include information on the impact of any new initiatives and all programs tracked by JJD. Required elements shall include, but are not limited to:
  - (1) Prevention and intervention programs;
  - (2) Residential placements;
  - (3) Enhanced community-based services for serious and chronic felons such as sex offender treatment, intensive supervision, and specialized supervision;
  - (4) Community-based services for misdemeanants no longer eligible for commitment to the Juvenile Justice Department; and
  - (5) Commitment Diversion Initiatives.
- (b) The report shall include a section dedicated to Regional Diversion Alternatives and the Regionalization Task Force. The section shall include regionalization program details, relevant program data, outcome data, Regionalization Task Force updates, and provide a long-term plan for diverting more youth from state to local care.
- (c) The report shall include information on all training, inspection, monitoring, investigation, and technical assistance activities conducted using funds appropriated in Goals A and E. Required elements include training conferences held, practitioners trained, facilities inspected, and investigations conducted.

- (d) The report shall include a summary of data, including performance measure details on programs in Goal B, State Services and Facilities. The information shall include:
  - (1) Data on recidivism for state and local commitments (including re-arrest, re-referrals, and any other LBB performance measures related to recidivism);
  - (2) A long-term proposal to reduce recidivism at the state and local levels; and
  - (3) Data on youth who commit assaults and other violent offenses on staff or youth while in TJJD custody and a plan to expedite transfer of youth serving determinate sentences to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- (e) The annual report submitted to the Legislative Budget Board pursuant to this provision must be accompanied by supporting documentation detailing the sources and methodologies utilized to assess program effectiveness and any other supporting material specified by the Legislative Budget Board.
- (f) The annual report submitted to the Legislative Budget Board pursuant to this provision must contain a certification by the person submitting the report that the information provided is true and correct based upon information and belief together with supporting documentation.
- (g) The annual report submitted to the Legislative Budget Board pursuant to this provision must contain information on each program receiving funds from Strategy A.1.1, Prevention and Intervention, including all outcome measures reported by each program and information on how funds were expended by each program.

In addition to the annual report described above, the Juvenile Justice Department shall report juvenile probation population data as requested by the Legislative Budget Board on a monthly basis for the most recent month available. JJD shall report to the Legislative Budget Board on all populations specified by the Legislative Budget Board, including additions, releases, and end-of month populations. End of fiscal year data shall be submitted indicating each reporting county to the Legislative Budget Board no later than two months after the close of each fiscal year. JJD will use Legislative Budget Board population projections for probation supervision and state correctional populations when developing its legislative appropriations request for the 2028-2029 biennium.

Upon the request of the Legislative Budget Board, the Juvenile Justice Department shall report expenditure data by strategy, program, or in any other format requested, including substrategy expenditure detail.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall not allow the expenditure of funds appropriated by this Act to JJD in Goal F, Indirect Administration, if the Legislative Budget Board certifies to the Comptroller of Public Accounts that JJD is not in compliance with any of the provisions of this Section.

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation for Salary Increase for Direct Care Staff.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.3, Facility Supervision and Food Service, is \$8,336,953 in fiscal year 2026 and \$8,336,953 in fiscal year 2027, and Strategy B.1.7, Integrated Behavior Management, is \$1,320,004 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,320,004 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to provide a salary increase for direct care staff, including Juvenile Correctional Officers.

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Career and Technical Education.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.4, Education, is \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2026 for the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) to prioritize the expansion of Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses. Such an expansion may include partnerships with community colleges and Texas State Technical College. TJJD is to develop and maintain a system for tracking CTE courses and programs at all state secure facilities and shall submit a report that includes data and information on CTE programs and faculty to the Legislative Budget Board by September 1, 2026.

The report shall include information on courses offered at each facility, the number of certified teachers at each facility, students enrolled in courses, students completing courses, certifications earned by students, and details on the expenditure of appropriations on CTE courses and programs.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:



### **Dyslexia Services at State Secure Facilities.**

Out of amounts appropriated above, the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) shall produce an annual report regarding department processes and data related to the identification of and service delivery to youth with dyslexia needs in state secure juvenile correctional facilities. The department shall submit the report to the Legislative Budget Board by December 1 of each year. The report shall include the following information for the previous fiscal year:

- (a) Youth demographic and admission profile data for youth identified with dyslexia compared to other youth committed to state secure juvenile correctional facilities;
- (b) A description of dyslexia screening and intervention protocols used at intake within state secure juvenile correctional facilities, including:
  - (1) The use of a standardized dyslexia screening tool aligned with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) Dyslexia Handbook;
  - (2) The use of prior school records, including individualized education plans, 504 plans, and other relevant information that reference or address dyslexia-related needs, to assess these needs;
  - (3) Following the screening protocols, the implementation of a tiered intervention framework and use of assistive technology to serve youth with dyslexia; and
  - (4) As a youth prepares for and is released under supervision or discharged from custody, the use of referrals to enable continued support and intervention for the youth, as appropriate.
- (c) The number and percentage of youth screened for dyslexia upon entry into state secure juvenile correctional facilities;
- (d) The type and frequency of dyslexia assessments conducted for youth in state secure juvenile correctional facilities;
- (e) The number of youth receiving dyslexia-related interventions and the number of instructional minutes provided to these students;
- (f) A description of training programs provided to relevant staff to improve dyslexia screening, assessment, and interventions;
- (g) Any appropriate data demonstrating educational outcomes for youth with dyslexia upon their release from a state secure juvenile correctional facility; and
- (h) A description of:
  - (1) Any gaps and areas of improvement related to aligning department procedures on dyslexia screening, assessment, and interventions with best practices;
  - (2) Recommendations for enhancing dyslexia-related training, staffing levels, facility procedures, and partnerships with other state agencies or external entities designed to improve the identification of and interventions for youth with dyslexia;
  - (3) Recommendations for conducting a detailed study or evaluation of dyslexia screening, assessment, and interventions within state secure juvenile correctional facilities; and
  - (4) Potential costs and funding sources related to addressing the gaps, areas of improvement, and recommendations identified in Subsections (A), (B), and (C).

If any data or information is not available or is in development, the department shall include the development and implementation plan for future reporting.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Williamson County Multisystemic Therapy Team.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.3, Community Programs is \$600,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$600,000 in fiscal year 2027

from the General Revenue Fund intended by the legislature to be used to establish a Multisystemic Therapy (MST) team in Williamson County to treat youth and adolescents in the juvenile justice system and to prevent youth and adolescents from entering the juvenile justice and child welfare systems.

Not later than November 30, 2026, TJJD shall submit a performance report to the Legislative Budget Board that includes performance measures to assess the success of the program.

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Long-Term Facilities Plan.**

- (a) The department shall prepare a 10-year plan that identifies the department’s facility and capacity needs.
- (b) In developing the plan under Subsection (a), the department:
  - 1) must consider the various regional needs of the state, including local capacity to keep youth closer to home, the risk and needs of youth referred to the juvenile justice system, statewide impacts of the waitlist for state secure juvenile correctional facilities, and contract options available to serve youth; and
  - 2) may contract with a third party as needed.
- (c) Not later than September 1, 2026, and every fourth anniversary of that date, the department shall submit:
  - 1) the plan to the board for approval; and
  - 2) the approved plan to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each standing Legislative Committee with jurisdiction over appropriations or the department.

**CXXVI. COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 19,866,138	\$ 18,075,311

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	136.6	136.6

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> INDIRECT ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,792,580	\$ 1,784,246
Finance, Open Records, Legal, and Government Relations.		

**CXXVII. MILITARY DEPARTMENT**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 960,997,479	\$ 953,842,007

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE ACTIVE DUTY - DISASTER Respond to Disaster Relief/Emergency Missions.	\$ 903,409,232	\$ 897,189,381

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.4. Strategy:</b> TEXAS MILITARY FORCES MUSEUM	\$ 1,193,432	\$ 193,432

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Cash Flow Contingency.** Contingent upon the expected receipt of federal funds and the notification of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office, the Texas Military Department (TMD) may temporarily utilize additional monies out of the General Revenue Fund, pending receipt of federal reimbursement, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium. The notification to access the additional funds by TMD shall include justification for the additional funds. The general revenue amounts utilized above TMD's general revenue method of finance must be repaid upon receipt of federal reimbursement and shall be utilized only for the purpose of temporary cash flow needs. At the end of each fiscal year, the \$15,000,000 must be repaid by November 30 of the following fiscal year if federal reimbursement for the expenditure has been received. These transfers and repayments shall be credited to the fiscal year being reimbursed and shall be in accordance with procedures established by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

TMD will submit a report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor, not later than November 30 of each fiscal year, detailing for the prior fiscal year the receipt of federal reimbursements, the amount of each reimbursement, the purpose of each reimbursement, the General Revenue Fund expenditures associated with each reimbursement, and the status of any outstanding contingency fund federal reimbursements for the prior fiscal year.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas Military Forces Museum.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.4, Texas Military Forces Museum, is \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue fund in fiscal year 2026 to implement facility improvements at the Texas Military Forces Museum. Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Department for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

CXXVIII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,902,324,618	\$ 1,622,281,545

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	12,808.2	13,007.7

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Director, Group 10	\$ 365,250	\$ 365,250

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> INTELLIGENCE Provide Integrated Statewide Public Safety Intelligence Network.	\$ 38,544,489	\$ 39,354,088

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS	\$ 121,321,707	\$ 119,756,886
Reduce Threats of Organized Crime, Terrorism & Mass Casualty Attacks.		

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.3.1. Strategy:</b> TEXAS HIGHWAY PATROL	\$ 562,137,144	\$ 426,454,398
Deter, Detect, and Interdict Public Safety Threats on Roadways.		

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> CRIME LABORATORY SERVICES	\$ 102,056,049	\$ 90,466,912

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> HEADQUARTERS ADMINISTRATION	\$ 47,718,456	\$ 50,624,517

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.4. Strategy:</b> TRAINING ACADEMY AND DEVELOPMENT	\$ 81,761,089	\$ 24,757,936

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. The Department of Public Safety may expend funds for the lease of capital budget items with Legislative Budget Board approval if the department provides a cost-benefit analysis to the Legislative Budget Board that supports leasing instead of purchasing prior to exercising the lease option. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Land and Other Real Property		
(1) Driver License Office - Hays/Caldwell	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 0
(2) Driver License Office - Brenham	<u>8,750,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Acquisition of Land and Other Real Property	\$ 16,750,000	\$ 0
b. Construction of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Driver License Office - Katy	\$ 595,098	\$ 595,098
(2) Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Modular Building Lease	1,177,404	1,177,404
(3) Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum	<u>10,000,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Construction of Buildings and Facilities	\$ 11,772,502	\$ 1,772,502
c. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Deferred Maintenance	\$ 3,700,000	\$ 0
(2) Communication Towers Repair & Replacement	3,500,000	3,500,000
(3) Deferred Maintenance - Generator System Maintenance	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>0</u>

Total, Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities	\$	10,200,000	\$	3,500,000
d. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies				
(1) Texas Highway Patrol (THP) Information Technology (IT) Equipment	\$	2,000,000	\$	2,000,000
(2) Crime Records Service Information Technology		3,279,626		3,279,626
(3) DL Technology Upgrades		4,903,588		4,463,986
(4) IT Modernization Initiatives and Maintenance		6,988,240		6,360,497
(5) Enhance Capitol Security - IT Purchases		2,040,208		0
(6) Advanced Analytics & Threat Detection Software		11,100,000		11,100,000
(7) Regulatory Services Division (RSD) Technology Projects		232,992		232,992
(8) Safety Technology Upgrade for Trooper Safety		1,306,200		1,306,200
(9) Electronic Content Management System		319,004		319,004
(10) Crime Lab Portal		350,000		350,000
(11) Case Management & Reporting System		1,400,000		1,400,000
(12) Driver License Staffing - Laptops, enterprise agreements and needed software.		1,737,845		2,995,482
(13) Driver License staffing - Customer Service Center Laptops and Enterprise Agreements		1,133,795		795,318
(14) Law Enforcement Technology & Equipment - License Fees- InCar Camera System Licenses		2,951,487		2,951,487
(15) Law Enforcement Technology & Equipment -License Fees- License Plate Reader Service		1,650,000		1,650,000
(16) Law Enforcement Technology& Equipment -License Fees- 4RE Live Streaming "Aware Plus"		121,950		121,950
(17) Law Enforcement FTEs - Alamo IT Equipment		864,346		329,552
(18) 400 LEOs IT		5,940,567		3,651,016
(19) Cold Case IT		<u>222,542</u>		<u>31,244</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$	48,542,390	\$	43,338,354
e. Transportation Items				
(1) Ballistic Resistant Technology	\$	12,843,200	\$	0
(2) Protect Texas - Vehicles and Related Equipment		4,060,970		0
(3) Additional Fixed Wing Aircraft		11,100,000		0
(4) Replace 6 Helicopters		45,000,000		0
(5) Law Enforcement FTEs - Alamo Vehicles		7,931,400		0
(6) Cold Case Transportation		1,480,506		0
(7) 400 LEOs Transportation		<u>45,044,172</u>		<u>0</u>
Total, Transportation Items	\$	127,460,248	\$	0
f. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items				
(1) Law Enforcement Equipment	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000
(2) Radios		1,569,473		2,842,661
(3) Border Security - Capital Equipment for Operation Drawbridge		8,500,000		8,500,000
(4) Communication Equipment and Leases		7,610,586		7,610,586
(5) Crime Lab Equipment		3,080,345		3,080,345
(6) Enhance Capitol Security - Security Equipment		580,000		0
(7) Texas Highway Patrol Equipment		1,444,369		1,000,000
(8) Technical Unit Intercept System		1,000,000		1,000,000
(9) Driver License Customer Service Center Staffing Cameras		546,929		0
(10) Law Enforcement Technology & Equipment -Body Camera and Storage		5,000,000		6,000,000
(11) Law Enforcement FTEs - Alamo Capital Equipment		646,560		0
(12) Cold Case Capital Items		2,807,766		360,000
(13) 400 LEOs Capital Items		<u>10,302,408</u>		<u>0</u>

Total, Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items	\$	44,088,436	\$	31,393,592
g. Data Center/Shared Technology Services				
(1) Data Center Services (DCS)	\$	13,691,107	\$	13,765,363
h. Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS)				
(1) CAPPS Statewide ERP System	\$	679,474	\$	679,474
i. Cybersecurity				
(1) Defend and Solidify DPS Systems	\$	7,354,298	\$	5,664,794
Total, Capital Budget	\$	280,538,455	\$	100,114,079
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):				
General Revenue Fund	\$	269,906,456	\$	89,926,449
Federal Funds	\$	7,242,373	\$	6,798,004
<u>Other Funds</u>				
Appropriated Receipts	\$	3,279,626	\$	3,279,626
Interagency Contracts		110,000		110,000
Subtotal, Other Funds	\$	3,389,626	\$	3,389,626
Total, Method of Financing	\$	280,538,455	\$	100,114,079

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Polygraph Examinations.** None of the funds appropriated to the Department of Public Safety may be expended for polygraph testing of commissioned law enforcement officers of the Department of Public Safety, except as authorized by Government Code, Sections 411.007, 411.0074, and 411.00741.

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Private Security Program pursuant to the Texas Occupations Code, Section 1702.062, shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made above in Strategy C.2.1, Regulatory Services, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with this program. Direct costs for the Private Security Program are estimated to be \$3,879,540 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,879,540 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,629,350 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,659,989 in fiscal year 2027.

In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Driver License Services Reporting.** From amounts appropriated above in Goal D, the Department of Public Safety shall provide an annual report to the Legislative Budget Board and the relevant standing committees of the Legislature on the effectiveness of improvements made to the driver license operations no later than December 1 of each fiscal year. The report shall include information related to specific expenditures, program outcomes and outputs, obstacles to improvement, and any other information that the department deems necessary to fully report on the progress of driver license operations. The report shall also detail the following: (1) number of available work stations statewide and by metropolitan statistical area; (2) average wait times and booking times for each driver license office; (3) number of available FTEs statewide and by metropolitan statistical area; (4) an analysis and explanation if wait times and booking times have increased at any driver license office; (5) current and future improvements to driver license operations and customer service; and (6) a comprehensive review of remote issuance policies, including the number of full-time equivalents hired, location of work, average time taken to remotely issue a driver license, and appointment availability as it pertains to the improvement of driver license issuance and appointment availability.

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Recruit Schools.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.1.4, Training Academy and Development, the Department of Public Safety is appropriated \$61,170,263 in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,321,117 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to conduct a minimum of six recruit school classes with an estimated graduation rate of 100 new troopers per class.

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Statewide Safe Gun Storage Campaign.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.2.1, Regulatory Services, is \$750,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$750,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund for the continuation and promotion of the statewide safe gun storage campaign.

The public awareness campaign may include online materials, printed materials, public service announcements, or other advertising media. The public awareness campaign may not convey a message that is unlawful under state law to keep or store a firearm that is loaded or that is readily accessible for self-defense.

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Youth Foster Driver License Program.** Included in amounts above in Strategy E.1.1, Headquarters Administration, is up to \$940,000 each fiscal year in General Revenue-Dedicated Account No. 5177, Identification Fee Exemption Fund, for the Department of Public Safety to transfer by interagency contract (IAC) to the Texas Workforce Commission to support the Youth Foster Driver License Program subject to the available balance of the Identification Fee Exemption Fund.

Q. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**New Trooper Funding.**

(a) Included in the amounts appropriated above is:

- (1) \$5,268,760 from the General Revenue Fund and 30.0 Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs) in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,686,090 from the General Revenue Fund and 30.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027 to Strategy A.1.1, Intelligence;
- (2) \$834,668 from the General Revenue Fund and 5.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and \$737,659 from the General Revenue Fund and 5.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027 to Strategy A.1.2, Interoperability;
- (3) \$18,574,861 from the General Revenue Fund and 52.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and \$9,196,661 from the General Revenue Fund and 52.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027 to Strategy A.2.1, Criminal Investigations;
- (4) \$153,892,184 from the General Revenue Fund and 437.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and \$69,633,212 from the General Revenue Fund and 437.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027 to Strategy A.3.1, Texas Highway Patrol;
- (5) \$1,547,023 from the General Revenue Fund and 11.5 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,441,487 from the General Revenue Fund and 11.5 FTEs for fiscal year 2027 in Strategy C.1.1, Crime Laboratory Services;
- (6) \$7,251,588 from the General Revenue Fund and 67.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,478,475 from the General Revenue and 67.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027 to Strategy E.1.1, Headquarters Administration; and
- (7) \$39,969,765 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to Strategy E.1.4, Training Academy and Development to be used for 467.0 commissioned law enforcement FTE positions and 135.5 support staff FTE positions.

(b) DPS shall only use appropriations from the General Revenue Fund as listed above in Subsection (a) for the purpose of training or funding 467.0 new commissioned law enforcement FTE positions and 135.5 new support staff FTE positions in fiscal years 2026-27. DPS shall lapse any appropriations from the General Revenue Fund as listed above in Subsection (a) that have not been expended or obligated for the purpose of training or funding 467.0 new commissioned law

enforcement FTE positions and 135.5 new support staff FTE positions at the end of fiscal year 2027. Within 30 days after completion of each recruit school during fiscal years 2026-27, DPS shall report to the Legislative Budget Board, in a format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, the number of commissioned officers and support staff hired and trained since the previous report under this subsection; the number of graduates for each recruit school, and the amount of remaining appropriations listed above in Subsection (a).

- (c) DPS shall also use the General Revenue appropriations and FTEs positions as listed above in Subsection (a) for the purpose of providing expanded capitol complex security in the 2026-27 biennium.

R. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Driver License Performance Improvement Group.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Driver License Services, is \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund and \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and 28.0 full-time equivalent positions to establish a performance improvement group within the Driver License Division that can improve the core functions of the division. A report shall be submitted to the legislature no later than December 1, 2026. The report should outline the progress of the Performance Improvement Group.

S. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Brenham Driver License Office.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Driver License Services, is \$8,750,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund, for the Department of Public Safety to purchase or construct, furnish, and equip a driver license office located in Brenham, TX. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the biennium beginning September 1, 2026.

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Driver License Office.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Driver License Services, is \$9,547,117 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund, \$8,143,519 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund, and 83.3 full-time equivalent positions for the establishment of a twenty-four counter driver license office that serves eastern Hays and western Caldwell counties. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

CXXIX. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,168,723,161	\$ 1,259,116,790

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 3,461,047	\$ 3,649,225

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$ 21,895,819	\$ 26,547,180

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:



	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> LECOS RETIREMENT PROGRAM	\$ 44,657,435	\$ 44,734,490
LECOS Retirement Program Contributions.		
Estimated.		

CXXX. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 305,237,574	\$ 306,175,738

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 606,648	\$ 610,945

ARTICLE VI

CXXXI. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 88,007,255	\$ 78,010,028

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> NUTRITION ASSISTANCE (STATE) Nutrition Assistance for At-Risk Children and Adults (State).	\$ 40,444,630	\$ 32,444,630

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Texans Feeding Texans.** Amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy C.1.2, Nutrition Assistance for at-Risk Children and Adults, includes the following:

- (a) \$10,081,480 each fiscal year to fund the Texans Feeding Texans (Surplus Agricultural Product Grant Program) to offset the costs of harvesting, gleaning and transporting agricultural products to Texas food banks.
- (b) \$12,432,584 each fiscal year to fund the Texans Feeding Texans (Home Delivered Meals Grant Program) to defray the costs of providing home-delivered meals to homebound elderly and disabled Texans. The Department of Agriculture may award grants to organizations providing this service that have also received matching funds from the county where meals are served.
- (c) Out of the amounts identified in subsection (a) above for the Surplus Agricultural Grant Program, no less than \$5,000,000 each fiscal year shall be used to provide food and may not be used for costs including facility expansion or renovation, increasing capacity, transportation, equipment, technology, personnel, administration, indirect administration, or to purchase generators.
- (d) \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 for the Tarrant area Food Bank.
- (e) \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 for the El Paso Food Bank.
- (f) Any unobligated and unexpended balances appropriated in General Revenue for these funds as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Cost Recovery Programs.**

- (a) Fees and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the cost recovery programs in the following strategies shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made in the following strategies, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act:
  - (1) Strategy A.1.1, Trade & Economic Development: Direct costs for the Livestock Export Pens (Agriculture Code, Section 146, Subchapter B) and International and Domestic Trade (Agriculture Code, Chapter 12) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$545,462 in fiscal year 2026 and \$545,462 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$61,271 for fiscal year 2026 and \$61,863 for fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3420, 3428, 3755).
  - (2) Strategy B.1.1, Plant Health and Seed Quality: Direct costs for the Plant Health (Agriculture Code, Chapter 61 & 62) and Hemp (Agriculture Code, Chapter 121 & 122) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$1,729,691 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,729,691 in fiscal year

2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$376,552 for fiscal year 2026 and \$380,188 for fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3414).

- (3) Strategy B.1.2, Commodity Regulation & Production: Direct costs for the Egg Quality Regulation (Agriculture Code, Chapter 132), Handling and Marketing of Perishable Commodities (Agriculture Code, Chapter 101), and Grain Warehouse (Agriculture Code, Chapter 14) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$859,440 in fiscal year 2026 and \$859,440 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$243,452 for fiscal year 2026 and \$245,801 for fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400 and 3414).
- (4) Strategy B.2.1, Regulate Pesticide Use: Direct costs for the Agricultural Pesticide Regulation (Agriculture Code, Chapter 76), Organic Certification (Agriculture Code, Chapter 18), and Prescribed Burn (Natural Resources Code, Chapter 153) cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$5,134,300 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,134,300 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,557,136 for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,572,171 for fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3404, and 3410).
- (5) Strategy B.2.2, Structural Pest Control: Direct costs for the Structural Pest Control (Occupations Code, Chapter 1951, Subchapter E) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$2,497,727 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,497,727 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$810,618 for fiscal year 2026 and \$818,450 for fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Code: 3175).
- (6) Strategy B.3.1, Weights & Measures Device Accuracy: Direct costs for the Weights, Measures, and Metrology (Agriculture Code, Chapter 13) cost recovery program are estimated to be \$3,328,976 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,328,976 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,067,312 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,077,615 in fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3400, 3402, and 3414).
- (7) Strategy D.1.1, Central Administration: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$1,528,694 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,528,694 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$375,555 in fiscal year 2026 and \$379,163 in fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, and 3795).
- (8) Strategy D.1.2, Information Resources: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$741,321 in fiscal year 2026 and \$741,321 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$102,592 in fiscal year 2026 and \$103,577 in fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, and 3795).
- (9) Strategy D.1.3, Other Support Services: Indirect costs for the cost recovery programs are estimated to be \$542,066 in fiscal year 2026 and \$542,067 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$142,855 in fiscal year 2026 and \$144,232 in fiscal year 2027 (Revenue Object Codes: 3175, 3400, 3402, 3404, 3410, 3414, 3420, 3428, 3435, and 3795).

For informational purposes, total amounts identified for strategies in this subsection total \$16,907,677 in fiscal year 2026 and \$16,907,678 in fiscal year 2027 for direct costs and indirect administration and \$4,756,868 in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,802,776 in fiscal year 2027 for "other direct and indirect costs".

These appropriations are contingent upon the Department of Agriculture (TDA) assessing fees sufficient to generate revenue to cover the General Revenue Fund and General Revenue-Dedicated State Hemp Program Fund No. 5178 appropriations for each strategy as well as the related "other direct and indirect costs". Of the totals identified above in subsection (2), \$567,302 each fiscal year is included in direct costs and \$19,525 in fiscal year 2026 and \$19,716 in fiscal year 2027 are included in "other direct and indirect costs" which are funded from General Revenue-Dedicated State Hemp Program Fund No. 5178. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections in strategies above are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to the affected strategy to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

- (b) TDA shall provide a report to the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Legislative Budget Board no later than the end of the second business week in March, June, and September (for the second, third, and fourth quarters) detailing the following information at both the strategy level and individual program activity level:

- (1) The amount of fee generated revenues collected for each of the cost recovery programs. This information shall be provided in both strategy level detail and individual program detail;
- (2) A projection of the revenues for each cost recovery program TDA estimates it will collect by the end of the respective fiscal year. This information shall be provided in both strategy level detail and individual program detail;
- (3) A detailed explanation of the causes and effects of the current and anticipated fluctuations in revenue collections;
- (4) The amount of expenditures for each of the cost recovery programs; and
- (5) Any fee changes made during the fiscal year and the anticipated revenue impacts of those changes.

In the event that reported expenditures exceed revenues collected for any cost recovery program, the Legislative Budget Board may direct the Comptroller of Public Accounts to reduce the appropriation authority provided above to the affected strategy by an amount specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

- (c) Also, contingent on the generation of such revenue required above to fund TDA's cost recovery programs and related "other direct and indirect costs" TDA's "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" (FTEs) includes 179.4 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 179.4 FTEs in fiscal year 2027. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may reduce the FTE cap provided by this Act to reflect the number of FTEs funded by the amount of revenue expected to be available.
- (d) If cost recovery revenues collected in the first year of the biennium exceed the cost recovery requirements above, the excess revenue may be counted towards the cost recovery requirement in the second year of the biennium in addition to the revenues collected in the second year.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balance Authority: GO TEXAN Program.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above, any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, from General Revenue Fund appropriations made to the Department of Agriculture in Strategy A.1.1, Maintain Trade and Promote Texas Agriculture & Economic Opportunities, for the purpose of operating the GO TEXAN program in the 2024-25 biennium (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Department of Agriculture in Strategy A.1.1, Maintain Trade and Promote Texas Agriculture & Economic Opportunities, for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for the same purpose.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Quarterly Financial Reports: Agriculture and Livestock Entry Point Inspection Stations.**

- (a) The Department of Agriculture shall submit the following information to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor no later than 30 calendar days after the close of each quarter:
  - (1) Information on appropriated, budgeted, expended, and projected funds, by strategy and method of finance related to Rider 27, Agriculture and Livestock Entry Point Stations;
  - (2) Narrative explanations of significant budget adjustments, ongoing budget issues, and other items as appropriate;
  - (3) Capital budget items, including capital budget purchases, increases to existing projects and creation of new projects;
  - (4) All vehicle purchases not included in subsection (3) above; and
  - (5) Any other information requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the Governor.
  - (6) The quarterly financial reports shall be prepared in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board.
- (b) For each fiscal year of the 2024-25 biennium, the Department of Agriculture shall submit an annual summary of the information required in subsections (1) through (5) above related to Rider 31, Agriculture and Livestock Entry Point Stations, in the Department of Agriculture's bill pattern

in the General Appropriations Act for the 2024-25 biennium, Eighty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor no later than December 31, 2025, in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

CXXXII. ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 18,871,553	\$ 18,407,753

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> FIELD OPERATIONS	\$ 14,682,903	\$ 14,294,004
Field Operations for Animal Health Management and Assurance Programs.		

CXXXIII. COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 24,355,410	\$ 21,862,512

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Low Level Waste Account No. 088	\$ 1,812,797	\$ 1,817,760

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Clean Air Account No. 151	\$ 74,607,949	\$ 66,205,415

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Water Resource Management Account No. 153	\$ 90,646,264	\$ 90,309,873

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Watermaster Administration No. 158	\$ 2,726,303	\$ 2,733,018

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - TCEQ Occupational Licensing Account No. 468	\$ 2,317,539	\$ 2,318,574

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Waste Management Account No. 549	\$ 53,051,395	\$ 52,239,452

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Fee Account No. 550	\$ 28,579,055	\$ 28,182,948

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Petroleum Storage Tank Remediation Account No. 655	\$ 25,628,689	\$ 25,362,643

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Workplace Chemicals List Account No. 5020	\$ 1,336,072	\$ 1,337,258

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Environmental Testing Laboratory Accreditation Account No. 5065	\$ 957,070	\$ 954,483

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Dry Cleaning Facility Release Account No. 5093	\$ 3,878,990	\$ 3,881,203

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094	\$ 44,130,980	\$ 43,385,213

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	3,035.8	3,038.8

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> AIR QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING	\$ 88,508,300	\$ 79,736,602

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> WATER ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING Water Resource Assessment and Planning.	\$ 65,757,708	\$ 52,667,281

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.2. Strategy:</b> WATER RESOURCE PERMITTING	\$ 18,707,003	\$ 18,392,826

R. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
A.2.4. Strategy: OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING	\$ 1,831,988	\$ 1,831,121

S. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	2026	2027
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Personal Computer Replacement	\$ 1,130,091	\$ 660,237
(2) Technology Operations	619,253	586,500
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 1,749,344	\$ 1,246,737
b. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1) Monitoring and Analysis Equipment	\$ 2,065,000	\$ 565,000
c. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Services	\$ 12,378,392	\$ 12,442,446
Total, Capital Budget	\$ 16,192,736	\$ 14,254,183

Method of Financing (Capital Budget):

General Revenue Fund	\$ 3,486,437	\$ 3,504,479
<u>General Revenue Fund - Dedicated</u>		
Clean Air Account No. 151	\$ 4,568,362	\$ 3,105,310
Water Resource Management Account No. 153	2,119,747	2,049,654
Waste Management Account No. 549	2,725,144	2,615,211
Hazardous and Solid Waste Remediation Fee Account No. 550	2,068,976	2,074,862
Petroleum Storage Tank Remediation Account No. 655	279,249	252,870
Operating Permit Fees Account No. 5094	942,571	651,797
TCEQ Occupational Licensing Account No. 468	2,250	0
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund - Dedicated	\$ 12,706,299	\$ 10,749,704
Total, Method of Financing	\$ 16,192,736	\$ 14,254,183

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Vehicle Emission Inspections.** Of the fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the vehicle emissions inspection and maintenance program pursuant to Health and Safety Code, Section 382.202, 20 percent shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of appropriations made above in Strategy A.1.1, Air Quality Assessment and Planning, out of General Revenue-Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151, as well as "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with this program. Direct costs for the vehicle emissions inspection and maintenance program are estimated to be \$2,258,726 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,258,726 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$472,654 for fiscal year 2026 and \$479,928 in fiscal year 2027. In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

In addition, if additional counties enter the vehicle emissions inspection and maintenance program during the 2026-27 biennium, 20 percent of revenues generated from the vehicle emissions and inspections fee established in Health and Safety Code, Section 382.202(e) in the additional counties in

each fiscal year are hereby appropriated to the Commission on Environmental Quality for the same purposes.

U. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Existing Environmental Remediation Agreements.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the City of Frisco continue to work in coordination with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) as set out in the Remediation Funding Trust Agreement to utilize the funds from the Remediation Funding Trust to support remediation of the former Exide Battery Recycling Center in accordance with the industrial hazardous waste permit. TCEQ shall review financial information provided by the City of Frisco consistent with the Remediation Funding Trust Agreement.

CXXXIV. PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 94,002,744	\$ 52,231,535

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 009	\$ 130,608,276	\$ 128,608,276

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	3,269.9	3,269.9

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.3. Strategy:</b> HUNTING AND WILDLIFE RECREATION Enhanced Hunting and Wildlife-related Recreational Opportunities.	\$ 2,675,057	\$ 2,675,056

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE PARK OPERATIONS State Parks, Historic Sites and State Natural Area Operations.	\$ 130,117,742	\$ 128,290,601

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.2.1. Strategy:</b> LOCAL PARK GRANTS Provide Local Park Grants.	\$ 53,349,649	\$ 22,397,149

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.2.2. Strategy:</b> BOATING ACCESS AND OTHER GRANTS Provide Boating Access, Trails and Other Grants.	\$ 13,602,254	\$ 13,754,751

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:



	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS Wildlife, Fisheries and Water Safety Enforcement/Education.	\$ 106,695,323	\$ 106,152,039

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.3. Strategy:</b> LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT Provide Law Enforcement Oversight, Management and Support.	\$ 5,684,571	\$ 5,684,571

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.2. Strategy:</b> LAND ACQUISITION	\$ 17,712,155	\$ 13,945,024

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amount shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase" or for other items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Land and Other Real Property		
(1) Land Acquisition	\$ 15,128,110	\$ 13,121,890
b. Construction of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Construction and Major Repairs	\$ 42,955,000	\$ 54,605,000
c. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Parks Minor Repair Program	\$ 15,318,400	\$ 15,318,400
d. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Capital Information Technology	\$ 5,458,864	\$ 2,750,227
(2) Game Warden In-Car Automation	3,107,000	1,637,000
(3) Game Warden Computers	<u>725,000</u>	<u>725,000</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 9,290,864	\$ 5,112,227
e. Transportation Items		
(1) Capital Transportation	\$ 10,284,504	\$ 10,122,504
(2) Game Warden Vehicles	<u>5,950,000</u>	<u>5,950,000</u>
Total, Transportation Items	\$ 16,234,504	\$ 16,072,504
f. Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items		
(1) Capital Equipment	\$ 4,741,481	\$ 2,887,585
(2) Game Warden Body Cameras and Data Storage	<u>746,323</u>	<u>203,040</u>
Total, Acquisition of Capital Equipment and Items	\$ 5,487,804	\$ 3,090,625
g. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$ 4,787,065	\$ 4,787,065
h. Cybersecurity		
(1) Cybersecurity	<u>\$ 689,999</u>	<u>\$ 689,999</u>
Total, Capital Budget	<u>\$ 109,891,746</u>	<u>\$ 112,797,710</u>

Method of Financing (Capital Budget):

<u>General Revenue Fund</u>		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 11,871,325	\$ 9,858,042
Sporting Goods Sales Tax - Transfer to State Parks Account No. 64	19,598,405	17,582,509
Sporting Goods Sales Tax - Transfer to Parks and Wildlife Conservation and Capital Acct No. 5004	53,128,110	64,771,890
Unclaimed Refunds of Motorboat Fuel Tax	<u>2,994,460</u>	<u>2,994,460</u>
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund	\$ 87,592,300	\$ 95,206,901
<u>General Revenue Fund - Dedicated</u>		
Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 009	\$ 13,959,048	\$ 11,959,048
State Parks Account No. 064	6,521,998	3,813,361
Lifetime License Endowment Account No. 544	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund - Dedicated	\$ 21,981,046	\$ 17,272,409
Appropriated Receipts	<u>\$ 318,400</u>	<u>\$ 318,400</u>
Total, Method of Financing	<u>\$ 109,891,746</u>	<u>\$ 112,797,710</u>

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST).**

- (a) **Appropriations.** Amounts appropriated above to the Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPWD) include \$251,230,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$258,338,000 in fiscal year 2027 (including End-of-Article Appropriations for Benefits, Transfers to ERS for Retiree Insurance, and Debt Service for Statewide Park Repairs) from limited sales, excise, and use tax revenue identified as Sporting Goods Sales Tax (SGST) as reflected below in Subsection (c) to comply with Texas Constitution, Article VIII, Section 7(d). This appropriation represents the statutory maximum allocation of SGST revenue to TPWD, pursuant to Tax Code, Section 151.801 (93.0 percent of the total SGST revenue), as calculated in the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE), net of appropriations made elsewhere in this Act for benefits and debt service.

If the Comptroller determines that the maximum allocation of SGST revenue available to TPWD for the 2026-27 biennium exceeds the amounts appropriated in this Act to TPWD and amounts designated elsewhere for benefits and debt service, the difference is appropriated to TPWD. This appropriation of additional SGST revenue shall be allocated to the strategies and accounts that receive SGST revenue transfers by the Legislative Budget Board in consultation with TPWD based on a current assessment of needs, excluding totals for benefits and debt service. TPWD proposed plans for use of additional SGST shall be considered approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 90 calendar days after the date the plan was submitted. Notwithstanding the capital budget provisions in Rider 2, Capital Budget, and Article IX, Section 14.03, to the extent any of the additional SGST is directed by the Legislative Budget Board for state and local park related capital budget purposes as a result of the allocation determined by the above process, TPWD's capital budget authority is increased for these purposes and such increase shall not count towards the limitations imposed by capital budget provisions elsewhere in this Act.

- (b) **SGST Method of Financing Changes.** TPWD may request approval from the Legislative Budget Board to change SGST methods of financing provided in initial strategy appropriations above within the following accounts to which SGST may be transferred to: (1) State Parks Account No. 64, (2) Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467, (3) Parks and Wildlife Conservation and Capital Account No. 5004, and (4) Large County and Municipality Recreation and Parks Account No. 5150. This provision does not apply to initial SGST appropriations provided in strategies for capital budget projects included in TPWD's Rider 2, Capital Budget. TPWD shall request approval for any changes from the Legislative Budget Board in a format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board that provides information regarding the purposes and the projected impact of the changes and expenditures. A request submitted under this provision shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date on which the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the request. Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board regarding a request submitted by TPWD pursuant to this rider shall be provided in a timely

manner. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the Legislative Budget Board may suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of TPWD.

- (c) **Informational Listing - Allocation of SGST.** Amounts appropriated and allocated in this Act include all amounts authorized in Texas Constitution, Article VIII, Section 7(d) and Tax Code, Section 151.801, estimated to be \$270,140,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$277,783,000 in fiscal year 2027 in sales tax receipts deposited to the General Revenue Fund generated by sales of sporting goods items. These appropriations shall be allocated for the purposes specified, and the Comptroller shall make transfers, including for direct appropriations, benefits, debt, and any amounts necessary for estimated transfers to other agencies, as shown below.

Amounts for benefits, retiree insurance, and debt service are estimated. Amounts may be shifted between these categories as necessary to cover actual costs for these items.

Appropriations for debt service payments are made in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 17.07 of this Act, Use of the Sporting Goods Sales Tax Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64.

In the event that the sum of the actual costs for benefits, retiree insurance, and debt service exceeds SGST amounts available for these purposes, the additional amounts shall be funded from the available remaining balance of the State Parks Account No. 64.

	For the Years Ending	
	August 31, 2026	August 31, 2027
<b>Agency Bill Pattern Appropriations</b>		
<b>Article I</b>		
Texas Historical Commission (THC)		
General Revenue (Sporting Goods Sales Tax)		
A.1.4, Historic Sites	\$ 18,910,000	\$ 19,445,000
Subtotal	\$ 18,910,000	\$ 19,445,000
<b>Article VI</b>		
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD)		
SGST Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64		
B.1.1, State Park Operations	\$ 117,557,163	\$ 113,021,385
B.1.2, Parks Minor Repair Program	\$ 15,859,201	\$ 15,859,201
B.1.3, Parks Support	\$ 7,371,298	\$ 7,371,298
D.1.3, Infrastructure Administration Program	\$ 657,000	\$ 657,000
Subtotal	\$ 141,444,662	\$ 136,908,884
SGST Transfer to the Texas Recreation and Parks Account No. 467		
B.2.1, Local Park Grants	\$ 10,712,812	\$ 10,622,837
B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants	\$ 3,415,882	\$ 3,505,856
Subtotal	\$ 14,128,694	\$ 14,128,693
SGST Transfer to the Large County and Municipality Recreation and Parks Account No. 5150		
B.2.1, Local Park Grants	\$ 7,448,760	\$ 7,386,235
B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants	\$ 2,424,256	\$ 2,486,780
Subtotal	\$ 9,873,016	\$ 9,873,015
SGST Transfer to the Conservation and Capital Account No. 5004		
D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 51,650,000
D.1.2, Land Acquisition	\$ 13,128,110	\$ 13,121,890
Subtotal	\$ 53,128,110	\$ 64,771,890

End-of-Article Appropriations for Benefits, Estimated	\$ 26,272,377	\$ 26,272,377
Transfers to ERS for Retiree Insurance, Estimated	\$ 562,979	\$ 787,542
<b>Debt Service for Statewide Park Repairs, Estimated</b>		
SGST Transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated State Parks Account No. 64 General Obligation Bond Debt Service Payments at the Texas Public Finance Authority	\$ 5,820,162	\$ 5,595,599
Subtotal, TPWD 2026-2027 SGST Allocations	\$ 251,230,000	\$ 258,338,000
<b>SGST Appropriated and Estimated Total</b>	<b>\$ 270,140,000</b>	<b>\$ 277,783,000</b>

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Battleship Texas.**

- (a) The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) shall submit annual reports based on information provided by the Battleship Texas Foundation to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor’s Office related to the repair, renovation, operation, and maintenance of the Battleship Texas. The reports shall be provided no later than September 1 of each fiscal year and in a manner prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board. The report shall include, at minimum:
  - (1) A copy of the most recent draft or fully executed Memorandum of Understanding developed between the agency and the Battleship Texas Foundation;
  - (2) The status of state funds granted to the Battleship Texas Foundation from TPWD;
  - (3) Performance indicators and timelines for activities related to Battleship Texas preservation efforts; and
  - (4) Performance indicators for educational outreach programs conducted by the Battleship Texas Foundation.
- (b) Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy D.1.1, Improvements and Major Repairs, the Parks and Wildlife Department shall use \$7,000,000 in General Revenue Funds to provide a grant to the Battleship Texas Foundation for the repair, renovation, operation and maintenance of the Battleship Texas. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation: Boater Education Fees.**

- (a) Amounts appropriated above to the Parks and Wildlife Department in Strategy C.1.1, Enforcement Programs, include an estimated \$391,000 in fiscal year 2026 and an estimated \$391,000 in fiscal year 2027 from boater education exam and course fees (Revenue Object Code 3462) collected and deposited to the credit of the Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 for the purpose of enhancing boater and water safety through the boater education program, including salaries, operating expenses, and the purchase of necessary capital transportation and equipment items, as provided by Parks and Wildlife Code, Section 31.108. This amount includes any revenues received during the 2026-27 biennium from boater education exam and course fees (Revenue Object Code 3462) in excess of the amount included in each fiscal year in the Comptrollers Biennial Revenue Estimate are appropriated for the same purpose.
- (b) Any unexpended balances remaining in the Parks and Wildlife Department Strategy C.1.1, Enforcement Programs, as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for use in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purposes.

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Local Parks Grants.** Amounts appropriated above to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Strategy B.2.1, Local Parks Grants, include \$20,800,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for grants for the following local parks in the following amounts. Any unobligated and unexpended balances appropriated from the General Revenue Fund for these grants as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

- (a) \$ 1,000,000 for Runge Park
- (b) \$ 3,000,000 for Ingram Park
- (c) \$ 2,000,000 for Doss Park
- (d) \$ 2,000,000 for Melrose Park
- (e) \$ 3,000,000 for Southwestern Medical District Park
- (f) \$ 1,000,000 for Sullivan City Park and Upgrades
- (g) \$ 1,000,000 for City of La Joya Parks
- (h) \$ 5,000,000 for Veterans Memorial Park
- (i) \$ 2,800,000 for Fish Creek Linear Park

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Game Warden and Park Police 50-Hour Work Week.** Amounts appropriated above to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Strategy B.1.1, State Parks Operations, include \$2,563,836 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,563,836 in fiscal year 2027 and in Strategy C.1.1 Enforcement Programs, include \$19,995,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$19,995,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing payments for a 50-hour work week for game wardens and park police.

Q. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balance Authority: Oyster License Buyback Program.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above, any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, from General Revenue-Dedicated Game, Fish and Water Safety Account No. 9 appropriations made to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Strategy A.2.3, Coastal Fisheries Management, for the purpose of operating an Oyster License Buyback Program in the 2024-25 biennium (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Strategy A.2.3, Coastal Fisheries Management, for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for the same purpose.

CXXXV. RAILROAD COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 97,409,638	\$ 97,340,188

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):	1,145.6	1,145.6

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
A.1.1. Strategy: ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	\$ 34,371,887	\$ 29,072,853
Promote Energy Resource Development Opportunities.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: LPG/CNG/LNG Fees.** Fees, fines and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Alternative Fuels Licensing and Regulation Program related to activities in the liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), compresses natural gas (CNG), and liquefied natural gas (LNG) industries pursuant to Natural Resources Code Sections 113.082, 113.090, 113.093, 113.094, 113.131, 116.032, 116.034, and 116.072 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of General Revenue Fund appropriations made above in Strategy B.2.1, Regulate Alternative Fuel Resources, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with these programs. Direct costs for the Alternative Fuels Licensing Program are estimated to be \$2,995,741 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,996,262 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$523,305 in fiscal year 2026 and \$528,367 in fiscal year 2027.

In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

All fees collected in excess of the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Biennial Revenue Estimate (Revenue Object Codes 3035 and 3246) are appropriated to the Railroad Commission to be spent on the Alternative Fuels Licensing Program that generated the fees.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriation Limited to Revenue Collections: Coal Mining Inspection and Enforcement and Coal/Uranium Mining Applications and Permits.** Fees, fines and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Coal Mining Inspection and Enforcement Program and the Coal/Uranium Mining Applications and Permits Program pursuant to Natural Resources Code, Chapters 131 and 134 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of General Revenue Fund appropriations made above in Strategy C.1.2, Surface Mining Monitoring and Inspections, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with this program. Direct costs for the Coal Mining Inspection and Enforcement Program and the Coal/Uranium Mining Applications and Permits Program are estimated to be \$3,925,540 in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,926,147 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$337,621 in fiscal year 2026 and \$340,895 in fiscal year 2027.

In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

All fees collected in excess of the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Biennial Revenue Estimate (Revenue Object Code 3329) are appropriated to the Railroad Commission to be spent on the Surface Mining Program that generated the fees.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections: Pipeline Safety and Regulatory Fees.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of the Pipeline Safety/Inspections Program and the Underground Damage Prevention Program pursuant to Natural Resources Code, Section 81.071 and Utilities Code, Section 121.211 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of the General Revenue-Dedicated Oil and Gas Regulation and Cleanup Account No. 5155 appropriations made above in Strategy B.1.1, Ensure Pipeline Safety, and Strategy B.1.2, Pipeline Damage Prevention, as well as the other "direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with this program. Direct costs for the Pipeline Safety and Regulatory Program are estimated to be \$6,979,125 in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,976,198 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" are estimated to be \$1,174,327 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,185,619 in fiscal year 2027.

In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Hydrogen Sulfide Mapping Study.** Out of the amounts appropriated above, the Railroad Commission shall conduct a mapping study and assessment that determines and shows in a geographic manner:

- (a) A list and map of oil and gas wells with hydrogen sulfide levels that are greater than 100 parts per million (PPM);
- (b) A list and map of oil and gas infrastructure, including storage tanks that contain products that have hydrogen sulfide levels that are greater than 100 PPM;
- (c) A list of those wells or infrastructure that are located within 5 miles of residential properties.

The Commission shall provide a report with the information required in this rider to the Legislative Budget Board and all members of the Legislature by December 1, 2026.

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Report on Inactive Oil and Gas Wells.** Using money appropriated above to the Railroad Commission for Strategy C.2.1, Oil and Gas Well Plugging and Remediation, not later than December 1, 2026, the commission shall develop and submit to each member of the legislature a report on inactive oil and gas wells in this state. The report must include:

- (1) information on the location of each inactive oil and gas well;
- (2) the risks posed by not plugging each inactive oil and gas well;
- (3) any additional information the commission considers necessary.

CXXXVI. WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 97,700,944	\$ 92,679,251

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	539.5	539.5

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Administrator, Group 7	\$ 236,900	\$ 236,900

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Commissioner (Chair), Group 7	\$ 230,000	\$ 230,000

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Commissioner, Group 7	\$ 230,000	\$ 230,000

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.3.1. Strategy:</b> WATER CONSERVATION EDUCATION & ASST	\$ 4,696,329	\$ 4,440,057
Water Conservation Education and Assistance.		

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
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<b>A.4.1. Strategy:</b> STATE AND FEDERAL FLOOD PROGRAMS	\$	58,955,266	\$	58,790,184
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H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE & FEDERAL FIN ASSIST PROGRAM	\$	19,526,457	\$	19,563,170
State and Federal Financial Assistance Programs.				

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Recycled Municipal Wastewater for Aggregate Production Operations (APOs).** Out of the amounts appropriated above, it is the intent of the Legislature that the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) conduct and publish a study of the technical and economic feasibility of the use of recycled municipal wastewater and dry plant operations by aggregate production operations currently using Edwards and Trinity groundwater wells that includes:

- (a) The groundwater savings that would result from aggregate production operations (APOs) switching from groundwater to recycled wastewater for their mining, processing, and dust suppression needs;
- (b) The water savings that would result in APOs switching from wet processing to dry processing of their products;
- (c) The cost, to the public and to the APOs, of using recycled municipal wastewater, as compared to the cost of groundwater withdraws for operators;
- (d) The impact of recycled wastewater on APO machinery and production;
- (e) The feasibility of connecting APOs to recycled wastewater supply sources in the most beneficial places, where APO activity and municipal wastewater production are high; and
- (f) Potential funding strategies for building the infrastructure to connect APOs to municipal wastewater facilities.

**CXXXVII. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$	59,336,958	\$	63,896,037

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$	113,034,748	\$	121,815,938

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$	33,718,211	\$	36,280,328

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$	69,148,281	\$	69,719,978
Retirement Contributions. Estimated.				



E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE	\$ 146,780,430	\$ 162,681,991
Group Insurance Contributions. Estimated.		

CXXXVIII. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 15,200,367	\$ 15,335,861

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 29,568,677	\$ 29,792,286

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Federal Funds	\$ 8,590,026	\$ 8,633,235

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE MATCH -- EMPLOYER	\$ 56,183,989	\$ 56,648,988
State Match -- Employer. Estimated.		

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CXXXIX. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 14,405,210	\$ 14,278,967

CXL. TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Texas Lottery Commission’s bill pattern and riders were included in the Texas House of Representatives’ and Texas Senate’s respective versions of the bill but were omitted by the Conference Committee.

CXLI. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 119,885,000	\$ 48,885,000

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
State Highway Fund No. 006	\$ 5,267,015,491	\$ 4,612,925,245

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 10	\$ 344,000	\$ 344,000

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS	\$ 2,087,689,004	\$ 1,838,757,627
Construction of Transportation System and Facilities. Estimated.		& UB

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>C.5.1. Strategy:</b> AVIATION SERVICES	\$ 144,556,675	\$ 145,775,730
Support and Promote General Aviation.		& UB

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.3. Strategy:</b> RAIL CONSTRUCTION	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 0
		& UB

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 126,841,500	\$ 119,680,619

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Engineering and Engineering-Related Service Contracts.**

- (a) The Department of Transportation shall publish on its website, within 30 days of execution, all active engineering and engineering-related service contracts, including but not limited to those for design, schematic/environmental, planning, land surveying, right-of-way acquisition, highway improvements, and construction, engineering, and inspection. The information shall be updated at least monthly. Information to be posted shall include:
  - (1) the contract number;
  - (2) the prime firm;
  - (3) the total contract amount;
  - (4) the date of execution and termination date;
  - (5) the type of contract;
  - (6) whether it is a specific deliverable or indefinite deliverable contract;
  - (7) the general description of the scope of services;
  - (8) work authorizations, supplemental work authorizations, and supplemental agreements issued to date;
  - (9) the total paid under the contract to date; and
  - (10) a list of applicable geographies of the contract.
- (b) If the Department of Transportation determines it is necessary to stop or suspend the schedule or table of deliverables identified in a contract or work authorization for an engineering or engineering-related service contract for more than 30 days, the Department of Transportation shall notify the contractor in writing and as required by the contract.
- (c) Prior to stopping or suspending a contract or work authorization subject to subsection (b) for more than 30 days, the district, area-office, division, or other office within the Department of Transportation that issued the notice shall obtain approval in writing from the Deputy Executive Director for Program Delivery. The approval shall also be posted within 30 days with the corresponding contract information required to be posted on the website in accordance with subsection (a).
- (d) As required by subsection (a), the Department of Transportation shall post and continuously update on its website a list of all active indefinite deliverable engineering and engineering-related service contracts. Information to be posted for each contract shall include the date of execution, date of termination, disciplines covered, total dollar capacity, total dollar capacity used to date, total dollar capacity available, and geography of the contract.
- (e) The Department of Transportation shall provide a biannual report to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor detailing the number of active engineering or engineering-related service contracts or work authorizations that have been stopped or suspended pursuant to subsection (b).

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**State Highway 71 Pedestrian Crossing.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.8, Construction Grants and Services, include \$10,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of funding the design and construction of a pedestrian crossing as part of the State Highway 71 facility to connect the City of Smithville, Texas, and the Vernon L. Richards Riverbend Park.

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Southwestern Medical District Transformation Project.** Out of amounts appropriated above, the Department of Transportation shall make available during the 2026-27 biennium \$20,000,000 in Federal Funds administered by the Department of Transportation to the Texas Trees Foundation for the Southwestern Medical District Transformation Project in the City of Dallas if the project meets federal funding requirements. It is the intent of the Legislature that funds appropriated above would cover the planning and construction of the Southwestern Medical District Transformation Project. Any project expenditures using Federal Funds shall be approved by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal

Highway Administration.

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Space Industry Corridor.** Out of amounts appropriated above, the Department of Transportation shall allocate \$131,000,000 in State Highway Fund No. 006 funding for the 2026-27 biennium for the purpose of constructing or maintaining the state highway infrastructure in coordination with the Texas Space Commission, as identified in the Texas Space Industry Highway Transportation Needs Assessment report and the department's 2026 Unified Transportation Program. In constructing or maintaining the state highway infrastructure, the department shall give consideration for the critical infrastructure needs using local government and private sector partnerships. Out of amounts appropriated above, the Department of Transportation is appropriated \$5,000,000 in General Revenue Funds to Strategy E.1.1, Central Administration.

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Railroad Grade Crossing Bridge Project at Little York Road and Hirsch Road.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy A.1.4, Construction Contracts, the amount of \$5,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the 2026-27 biennium is to be used for the purpose of funding the planning, development, and construction of a bridge at the railroad grade crossing at Little York Road and Hirsch Road in Houston.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Railroad Grade Crossing Bridge Project at Tidwell Road and Hirsch Road.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy A.1.4, Construction Contracts, the amount of \$5,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the 2026-27 biennium is to be used for the purpose of funding the planning, development, and construction of a bridge at the railroad grade crossing at Tidwell Road and Hirsch Road in Houston.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Improvements to Farm to Market Road 653.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy A.1.4, Construction Contracts, the amount of \$28,400,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, is to be used for the purpose of funding water line relocation, road reconstruction, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, and storm water drainage along Farm to Market Road 653 in the City of El Campo in Wharton County.

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Texas State Railroad.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy D.1.3, Rail Construction, the amount of \$10,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the 2026-27 biennium is to be used for the purpose of funding projects related to the Texas State Railroad.

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Improvements to Victoria Regional Airport.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy C.5.1, Aviation Services, the amount of \$2,500,000 in General Revenue Funds for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, shall be allocated to fund airport expansion and improvement projects at Victoria Regional Airport.

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**State Highway 99 Access Road Improvements.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy A.1.4, Construction Contracts, the amount of \$20,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, is to be used for the purpose of funding access road improvements on State Highway 99 between Interstate Highway 10 and Westpark Tollway in Fort Bend County.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows:

**Texarkana Regional Airport.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy C.5.1, Aviation Services, the amount of \$22,000,000 in General Revenue Funds for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, shall be used to fund runway expansion and improvements at the Texarkana Regional Airport.

**CXLII. TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 97,459,915	\$ 94,429,195

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Unemployment Compensation Special Administration Account No. 165	\$ 10,527,773	\$ 10,620,291

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Workforce Commission Federal Account No. 5026	\$ 2,581,506,266	\$ 2,671,521,859

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Interagency Contracts	\$ 83,564,077	\$ 88,058,324

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	5,066.0	5,066.0

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.3.1. Strategy:</b> LOCAL CHILD CARE SOLUTIONS	\$ 1,466,113,893	\$ 1,518,658,574

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.3.2. Strategy:</b> CHILD CARE QUALITY ACTIVITIES	\$ 124,819,124	\$ 129,554,641

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.3.3. Strategy:</b> CHILD CARE FOR DFPS FAMILIES	\$ 66,561,177	\$ 71,043,942

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>B.2.1. Strategy:</b> VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION	\$ 439,285,937	\$ 486,949,762

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Number of Children Receiving Child Care Administered by Local Workforce Development Boards Per Day	160,241	160,779

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Participants Served - Apprenticeship	7,019	9,032

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Participants Served - Vocational Rehabilitation	78,096	79,417

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with an "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Repair or Rehabilitation of Buildings and Facilities		
(1) Repair or Rehab of Buildings and Facilities	\$ 12,730,458	\$ 10,945,484
b. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Lan/WAN Area Upgrade & Replacement	\$ 4,800,000	\$ 0
(2) PC Lease	<u>4,185,125</u>	<u>0</u>
Total, Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies	\$ 8,985,125	\$ 0
c. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$ 46,310,478	\$ 44,704,819
d. Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS)		
(1) Enterprise Resource Planning	\$ 2,564,070	\$ 1,814,070
e. Cybersecurity		
(1) Cybersecurity	\$ 2,988,776	\$ 936,973
f. Legacy Modernization		
(1) Operations Infrastructure	<u>\$ 1,053,512</u>	<u>\$ 518,816</u>
Total, Capital Budget	<u><u>\$ 74,632,419</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 58,920,162</u></u>

Method of Financing (Capital Budget):

<u>General Revenue Fund</u>		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,403,181	\$ 892,619
Career Schools and Colleges	96,963	137,426
GR Match for SNAP Administration Account No. 8014	<u>117,553</u>	<u>115,640</u>
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,617,697	\$ 1,145,685
GR Dedicated - Unemployment Compensation Special Administration Account No. 165	\$ 5,995,498	\$ 6,220,154
Workforce Commission Federal Account No. 5026	\$ 66,824,739	\$ 51,356,027
Interagency Contracts	<u>\$ 194,485</u>	<u>\$ 198,296</u>
Total, Method of Financing	<u><u>\$ 74,632,419</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 58,920,162</u></u>

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balances Appropriation: Skills Development and Jobs and Education for Texans (JET).** Any unobligated and unexpended balances of General Revenue Fund and GR-Dedicated Lone Star Workforce of the Future Account No. 5198 appropriations made to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) in Strategies B.1.1, Skills Development, and B.1.3, Jobs and Education for Texans (JET), as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

Additionally, notwithstanding the limitations of Article IX, Section 14.01 of the Act, amounts appropriated to TWC above in Strategies B.1.1, Skills Development, and B.1.3, Jobs and Education for Texans (JET), may be transferred between these strategies without limitation, as may be necessary to ensure services are provided to as many eligible participants as possible. Transfers between these strategies require written notification to be provided to the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and Governor and shall be considered approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 30 business days of the date on which the staff of the LBB concludes its review of the request and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, the Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, the Speaker of the House, and the Lieutenant Governor.

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Expansion of Senior Keys to Independence Program (SKIP).** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.2.1, Vocational Rehabilitation, include \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds that may be used by the Texas Workforce Commission for expansion of the SKIP program to other cities throughout the state. These funds may cover the cost of the program, the aids kits that each customer takes homes, travel costs, lodging expenses, and other support services.

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Emergency Medical Response Service Staffing Program.**

- (a) Amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Skills Development, include \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 in General Revenue Funds for the purpose of providing funding for emergency medical response service staffing.
- (b) Of amounts appropriated in each fiscal year under Subsection (a) of this section, Texas Workforce Commission must use at least \$2,500,000 to provide grants to EMS employers or state-certified EMS training providers for the purposes of providing scholarships for EMT-Basic, EMT-Advanced, and Paramedic students.
- (c) It is the intent of the legislature that, consistent with state law, the Texas Workforce Commission prioritize funding appropriated under Subsection (a) of this section for rural and underserved areas.
- (d) Any unexpended balances in appropriations made to Strategy B.1.1, Skills Development, for the Emergency Medical Response Service Staffing Program remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Texas Workforce Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**CXLIII. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 8,726,695	\$ 9,705,527

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 476,707	\$ 863,093

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 130,698,491	\$ 131,846,328
Retirement Contributions. Estimated.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE	\$ 335,832,037	\$ 372,948,817
Group Insurance Contributions. Estimated.		

**CXLIV. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the amount of an item of appropriation contained in one version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,276,106	\$ 4,309,371

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 260,395	\$ 262,750

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE MATCH -- EMPLOYER	\$ 107,539,562	\$ 108,484,106
State Match -- Employer. Estimated.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY	\$ 348,046	\$ 282,962
Benefit Replacement Pay. Estimated.		

**CXLV. LEASE PAYMENTS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 561,852	\$ 604,147

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> LEASE PAYMENTS	\$ 561,852	\$ 604,147
To TFC for Payment to TPFA.		& UB



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CXLVI. STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 8,196,671	\$ 8,202,083

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Chief Administrative Law Judge, Group 6	\$ 187,567	\$ 187,567

CXLVII. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 5,164,155	\$ 4,841,086

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> LICENSING Operate Quality Program of Licensure.	\$ 3,729,557	\$ 3,406,009

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Spanish Language Social Work Licensing Exam.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Licensure, \$200,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium shall be used for the purpose of the Behavioral Health Executive Council contracting for the development of a Spanish language social work licensing exam for the Licensed Master's Social Worker. The council shall release the exam to applicants by November 1, 2027.

CXLVIII. BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,152,718	\$ 1,142,718

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 2	\$ 115,365	\$ 115,365

CXLIX. TEXAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,932,935	\$ 4,942,675

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 4	\$ 148,726	\$ 148,726

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.2.1. Strategy:</b> LICENSURE/REGISTRATION/CERT Conduct an Efficient Licensure/Registration/Certification Process.	\$ 1,375,242	\$ 1,381,718

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of New Licenses Issued to Individuals: Dentists	1,007	1,007

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of New Licenses Issued to Individuals: Dental Hygienists	791	791

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Licenses Renewed (Individuals): Dental Hygienists	7,016	7,016

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of New Registrations Issued: Dental Assistants	2,816	2,816

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Registrations Renewed: Dental Assistants	19,832	19,832

**CL. FUNERAL SERVICE COMMISSION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 2,060,469	\$ 2,098,580

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 2	\$ 112,892	\$ 112,892

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
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<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> LICENSING REQUIREMENTS Issue and Renew Licenses, Monitor Continuing Education.	\$	462,493	\$	469,573
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D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSPECTIONS Provide Enforcement through Inspections.	\$	448,376	\$	455,136

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>B.2.1. Strategy:</b> RULE COMPLIANCE Investigate Complaints & Recommend Disciplinary/Other Action.	\$	441,795	\$	449,986

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS Enforcement Through Inspections & Investigate Complaints.	\$	408,742	\$	417,711

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> LICENSING REQUIREMENTS Issue and Renew Licenses.	\$	219,652	\$	226,763

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> INDIRECT ADMIN Central Administration.	\$	131,511	\$	131,511

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
Number of Complaints Resolved		160		160

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
Number of Complaints Pending		205		205

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

		<u>2026</u>		<u>2027</u>
Average Time for Complaint Resolution (Days)		170		170

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Exempt Whole Body Donation Program Funding from Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections Requirements.** Notwithstanding Article VIII, Special Provisions Relating to all Regulatory Agencies, Sec. 2, Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections, out of funds appropriated above for the Funeral Service Commission, \$628,394 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 and \$644,474 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2027 in Goal C, Manage Whole Body Donation Program, shall be used for the Whole Body Donation Program which distributes and regulates the donation of bodies and body parts.

**CLI. DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
GR Dedicated - Texas Department of Insurance		
Operating Fund Account No. 036	\$ 120,068,529	\$ 120,714,352

**CLII. OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSURANCE COUNSEL**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 2,119,678	\$ 2,016,921

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.1. Strategy:</b> COPA PROGRAM	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
Administer The Certificate Of Public Advantage Program.		

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation of Receipts: Certificate of Public Advantage Fees.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, COPA Program, the agency is appropriated any revenue (estimated to be \$0 each fiscal year) collected pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 314A, and deposited to Revenue Object Code 3557 to the credit of the General Revenue Fund. These funds shall only be used to review and monitor merger agreements in compliance with Health and Safety Code, Chapter 314A.

**CLIII. DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 64,997,769	\$ 64,502,725

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
GR Dedicated - Lottery Account No. 5025	\$ 320,169,649	\$ 342,263,911

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	937.2	937.2

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	2026	2027
Executive Director, Group 7	\$ 235,000	\$ 235,000

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> CONDUCT INSPECTIONS Enforce Laws by Conducting Routine, Complex, and Special Inspections.	\$ 26,246,752	\$ 25,815,071

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D. Goal:** OPERATE LOTTERY  
Run Self-supporting, Revenue-producing, and Secure Lottery.

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.1. Strategy:** LOTTERY OPERATIONS

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> LOTTERY OPERATIONS	\$ 4,803,833	\$ 4,919,603

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.2. Strategy:** LOTTERY FIELD OPERATIONS

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.2. Strategy:</b> LOTTERY FIELD OPERATIONS	\$ 4,101,522	\$ 4,049,695

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.3. Strategy:** PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.3. Strategy:</b> PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	\$ 6,631,338	\$ 6,253,826

M. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.4. Strategy:** SECURITY

N. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.4. Strategy:</b> SECURITY	\$ 5,924,505	\$ 5,883,953

O. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.5. Strategy:** CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

P. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>D.1.5. Strategy:</b> CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 15,675,593	\$ 16,257,073

Q. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.6. Strategy:** LOTTERY OPERATOR CONTRACT(S)  
Lottery Operator Contract(s). Estimated and Nontransferable.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.6. Strategy:</b> LOTTERY OPERATOR CONTRACT(S) Lottery Operator Contract(s). Estimated and Nontransferable.	\$ 156,763,421	\$ 154,680,752

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.7. Strategy:** SCRATCH TICKET PRODUCT.  
CONTRACT(S)  
Scratch Ticket Production and Services  
Contract(s).

**T.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.7. Strategy:</b> SCRATCH TICKET PRODUCT. CONTRACT(S) Scratch Ticket Production and Services Contract(s).	\$ 72,589,133	\$ 97,062,279

**U.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.8. Strategy:** PROMOTE LOTTERY GAMES  
CONTRACT(S)

**V.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.8. Strategy:</b> PROMOTE LOTTERY GAMES CONTRACT(S)	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000

**W.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.9. Strategy:** DRAWING & BROADCAST CONTRACT(S)  
Drawing and Broadcast Services Contract(s).

**X.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.9. Strategy:</b> DRAWING & BROADCAST CONTRACT(S) Drawing and Broadcast Services Contract(s).	\$ 2,260,725	\$ 2,260,725

**Y.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.10. Strategy:** RETAILER BONUS

**Z.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.10. Strategy:</b> RETAILER BONUS	\$ 2,010,000	\$ 2,010,000

**AA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**D.1.11. Strategy:** RETAILER COMMISSIONS  
Retailer Commissions. Estimated and  
Nontransferable.

**AB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.11. Strategy:</b> RETAILER COMMISSIONS Retailer Commissions. Estimated and Nontransferable.	\$ 39,409,579	\$ 38,886,005

**AC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**E. Goal:** ENFORCE BINGO LAWS  
Enforce Bingo Laws/Rules for Fairness to Ensure Proceeds Used Lawfully.

**AD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**E.1.1. Strategy:** BINGO LICENSING  
Determine Eligibility and Process Applications.

**AE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.1. Strategy:</b> BINGO LICENSING	\$ 680,646	\$ 680,646
Determine Eligibility and Process Applications.		

**AF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**E.1.2. Strategy:** BINGO EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT  
Provide Education and Training for Bingo  
Regulatory Requirements.

**AG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.2. Strategy:</b> BINGO EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT	\$ 114,928	\$ 114,928
Provide Education and Training for Bingo Regulatory Requirements.		

**AH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**E.1.3. Strategy:** BINGO LAW COMPLIANCE FIELD OPER  
Bingo Law Compliance Field Operations.

**AI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.3. Strategy:</b> BINGO LAW COMPLIANCE FIELD OPER	\$ 1,505,979	\$ 1,505,979
Bingo Law Compliance Field Operations.		

**AJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**E.1.4. Strategy:** BINGO PRIZE FEE COLLECTION &  
ACCT  
Bingo Prize Fee Collections and Accounting.

**AK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>E.1.4. Strategy:</b> BINGO PRIZE FEE COLLECTION & ACCT	\$ 298,192	\$ 298,192
Bingo Prize Fee Collections and Accounting.		

**AL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percent of Retailers Satisfied with Lottery Commission	89%	89%

**AM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
State Revenue Received Per Dollar Expended on Lottery Games Promotion	197.95	198.28

**AN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Retailer Business Locations Licensed	22,130	22,480

**AO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Average Cost Per Survey Issued	0.09	0.09

**AP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Billboard Expenditures from Promote Lottery Games Appropriation (Millions)	6.42	6.42

**AQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Other Promotion Expenditures from Promote Lottery Games Appropriation (Millions)	3.58	3.58

**AR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percent of Complaints Referred for Disciplinary Action	1%	1%

**AS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Charitable Distributions Received by Charitable Organizations (in Millions)	30	30

**AT.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Percentage of Organizations Who Met the Statutory Charitable Distribution Requirement	97%	97%

**AU.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Licenses Issued	13,000	13,000

**AV.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Bingo Complaints Investigations Completed	120	120

**AW.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with a "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		



(1) Acquire a Modern and Comprehensive Licensing System	\$ 4,400,000	\$ 4,400,000
b. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$ 1,612,950	\$ 1,905,688
Total, Capital Budget	\$ 6,012,950	\$ 6,305,688
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 5,792,460	\$ 6,079,827
GR Dedicated - Lottery Account No. 5025	\$ 220,490	\$ 225,861
Total, Method of Financing	\$ 6,012,950	\$ 6,305,688

**AX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Contingent Appropriation: Travel Expenses and Fee Reimbursement for Boiler Inspections.**

Funds appropriated above include reimbursements for travel expenses and special inspection fees collected pursuant to Health and Safety Code, Section 755.030, Boilers Fees. Contingent upon certification by the Department of Licensing and Regulation and verification by the Comptroller all fees collected in excess of \$312,600 each year of the biennium (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Department of Licensing and Regulation for the same purpose. The Department of Licensing and Regulation shall provide the Legislative Budget Board with a copy of the certification and any verification by the Comptroller within 10 business days.

**AY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Barbering and Cosmetology School Tuition Protection Account.** Out of the amounts appropriated above to the Department of Licensing and Regulation in Strategy A.1.3, Examinations/Continuing Education, the amounts of \$85,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$85,000 in fiscal year 2027 are from the GR-Dedicated Barbering and Cosmetology School Tuition Protection Account No. 5192, for the purpose of paying expenses and refunds authorized by the department under the provisions of Occupations Code, Section 1603.3608. The Department of Licensing and Regulation, upon completion of necessary actions to assess or increase additional fees, shall furnish copies of the Department of Licensing and Regulation's minutes and other information supporting the estimated revenues to be generated for the 2026-27 biennium under the revised fee structure to the Comptroller of Public Accounts. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, in appropriations made to the Department of Licensing and Regulation for this purpose are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Judgments and Settlements.** Notwithstanding Article IX, Section 16.04 of this Act, payment of judgments or settlements, including attorney's fees, resulting from actions brought under Title 42 United States Code Section 1983 that arise from claims challenging the validity or constitutionality of a state law and prosecuted or defended by the Office of the Attorney General that are obtained against the Department of Licensing and Regulation or the Commission of Licensing and Regulation, or any individual(s) acting in their official capacity on behalf of the Department of Licensing and Regulation, shall be paid out by the Comptroller and not from funds appropriated to the Department of Licensing and Regulation or the Commission of Licensing and Regulation.

**BA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Human Trafficking Prevention.** Notwithstanding Article VIII, Special Provisions Relating to all Regulatory Agencies, Sec. 2, Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections, out of funds appropriated above for the Department of Licensing and Regulation, \$2,757,435 from the General Revenue Fund and 35.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions for fiscal year 2026, and \$2,613,276 from the General Revenue Fund and 35.0 FTE for fiscal year 2027 shall be used for inspections and enforcement actions by the Department of Licensing and Regulation to combat human trafficking in the department's regulated programs.

**BB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation: Combative Sports Event Tax.** Out of amounts appropriated above, one quarter of the tax assessed on gross receipts of combative sports events collected by the Department of Licensing and Regulation, estimated to be \$235,500 in General Revenue Funds, is appropriated each fiscal year in Strategy B.1.1, Conduct Inspections, for the purposes of regulating combative sports events.

**BC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Contingency for Senate Bill 3070.**

- a) Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 3070, or similar legislation relating to the abolishment of the Texas Lottery Commission and the transfer of the administration of the state lottery and the licensing and regulation of charitable bingo to the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:
  - 1. Amounts appropriated above out of General Revenue-Dedicated Lottery Account No. 5025 are exempt from Article VIII, Special Provisions Relating to All Regulatory Agencies, Section 2, Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.
  - 2. Any corresponding capital budget authority authorized for the Department of Licensing and Regulation within Goal C, Indirect Administration, Goal D, Operate Lottery, and Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws, shall be exempt from the transfer limitations of Article IX, General Provisions, Section 14.03 Transfer - Capital Budget to the extent that such transfer authority is necessary to implement the provisions of the bill.
  - 3. Notwithstanding the limitations on transfer provisions in Article IX, General Provisions, Section 14.01 Appropriations Transfers, of this Act, appropriations may be transferred between Goal D, Operate Lottery, Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws, and Goal C, Indirect Administration, to the extent necessary to implement the provisions of the bill.
  - 4. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, in appropriations made to the Department of Licensing and Regulation in Goal C, Indirect Administration, Goal D, Operate Lottery, and Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws, are appropriated to the Department of Licensing and Regulation for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
  - 5. The Department of Licensing and Regulation shall notify the Legislative Budget Board no less than 15 calendar days prior to utilizing the authority to exceed limitations provided in Subsections (a)(2) and (a)(3) above, if the transfer amounts exceed \$1,000,000.
- b) Contingent on the failure to enact Senate Bill 3070, or similar legislation relating to the abolishment of the Texas Lottery Commission and the transfer of the administration of the state lottery and the licensing and regulation of charitable bingo to the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:
  - 1. Reduce to \$0 all appropriations in Goal D, Operate Lottery, and Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws and reduce appropriations to \$2,599,745 each fiscal year in General Revenue and an estimated \$320,169,649 in fiscal year 2026 and an estimated \$342,263,911 in fiscal year 2027 in GR-Dedicated Lottery Acct. No. 5025 from the Department of Licensing and Regulation bill pattern and reduce the full-time-equivalent amount by 322.5 full-time-equivalent positions.
  - 2. The Texas Lottery Commission is appropriated \$2,599,745 each fiscal year in General Revenue and an estimated \$320,169,649 in fiscal year 2026 and an estimated \$342,263,911 in fiscal year 2027 in GR-Dedicated Lottery Acct. No. 5025. In addition, 322.5 full-time-equivalent positions that are appropriated to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation for the 2026-27 fiscal biennium shall be transferred to the Texas Lottery Commission.
  - 3. All riders and performance measures associated with the administration of the state lottery and the licensing and regulation of charitable bingo are transferred to the Texas Lottery Commission bill pattern. The Legislative Budget Board shall make technical changes to the Texas Lottery Commission bill pattern, riders, and performance measures as necessary to conform with the legislation.
- c) **Sunset Contingency.** Contingent on the failure to enact Senate Bill 3070, or similar legislation relating to the abolishment of the Texas Lottery Commission and the transfer of the administration of the state lottery and the licensing and regulation of charitable bingo to the Texas Commission of

Licensing and Regulation, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session and the Texas Lottery Commission not being continued by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session; funds appropriated above in Goal D, Operate Lottery, and Goal E, Bingo, for fiscal year 2026 are to be transferred to the Texas Lottery Commission and are to be used to provide for the phase out of Texas Lottery Commission operations. Funds appropriated above for fiscal year 2027 within Goal D, Operate Lottery, and Goal E, Bingo, are eliminated.

**BD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Operate Lottery.** Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 466, appropriations made to Goal D, Operate Lottery, shall not exceed twelve percent of the gross revenue from the sale of lottery tickets. This appropriation shall be used for the administration of the lottery and for retailer commissions.

**BE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation: Payment of Prizes.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above for the administration of the lottery and retailer commissions, there is appropriated pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 466, out of the State Lottery Account in the General Revenue Fund, sufficient funds for the payment of prizes to the holders of winning tickets.

**BF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Limitation: Pooled Reserve Fund.** Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 466, the Executive Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulation shall maintain balances in a pooled reserve fund to cover the potential loss of state revenue as a result of lottery retailer defaults. The Executive Director of the Department of Licensing and Regulation shall transfer all pooled reserve fund revenues and balances that exceed \$5 million to the Foundation School Fund No. 193 monthly.

**BG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Petty Cash Fund Authorized.** The Department of Licensing and Regulation is authorized to establish a petty cash fund to be used by Department employees for the purchase of evidence and/or information and other expenses deemed necessary for agency security and enforcement activities, including audits and expenses, incurred by auditing licensees, vendors, and other entities audited by Department employees. The petty cash fund, not to exceed \$1,500, may be maintained in cash or at a local bank and shall be subject to such rules and regulations as the executive director may recommend and the Department may adopt.

**BH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Retailer Commissions.**

- (a) Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 466, an amount equal to 5 percent of gross sales shall be made available for the purpose of paying retailer commissions.
- (b) The amounts included above in Strategy D.1.11, Retailer Commissions, include an estimated amount equal to one-half of one percent of gross sales each fiscal year that is in addition to the 5 percent retailer commission amount in subsection (a) above and may only be used for the purpose of paying sales performance retailer commissions. Any unobligated and unexpended balances of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the agency for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026. Prior to providing an additional retail commission above 5 percent of gross sales, the Department of Licensing and Regulation shall provide a report to the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board outlining the Department of Licensing and Regulation's plans to implement a retailer sales performance commission or similar sales performance incentive program and the projected benefits of the program to lottery ticket sales and state revenues.

**BI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Lottery Operator Contract.**

- (a) The amounts included above in Strategy D.1.6, Lottery Operator Contract, are estimated appropriations out of the State Lottery Account in the General Revenue Fund and may only be

used for payment of lottery operator contractual obligations. The estimated amount appropriated for fiscal year 2026 is an amount equal to 1.9889 percent of gross sales in fiscal year 2026; and the estimated amount appropriated in fiscal year 2027 is an amount equal to 1.9889 percent of gross sales in fiscal year 2027.

- (b) The estimated amount appropriated for fiscal year 2027 is contingent upon the percentage stipulated in the lottery operator contract in effect on August 31, 2025. In the event of an execution of changes to the lottery operator contract affecting the contractual lottery operator payment obligations, the Department of Licensing and Regulation shall file a written finding of fact to the Comptroller of Public Accounts and the Legislative Budget Board that identifies the revised contractual lottery operator payment obligation that will be in effect for fiscal year 2027. Upon receipt of the finding of fact, the Comptroller shall assess whether the information in the finding of fact is sufficient to support a revision to the estimated appropriation in Strategy D.1.6, Lottery Operator Contract, for fiscal year 2027. If found sufficient, the Comptroller shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and the appropriation authorized in subsection (a) of this rider for fiscal year 2027 shall be revised to align with the contractual lottery operator payment obligation specified in the finding of fact.

**BJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriation of Increased Revenues.** In addition to the amounts appropriated above, there is appropriated out of the State Lottery Account in the General Revenue Fund, an amount equal to 1.49 percent of the amount by which gross sales exceed \$7,881,915,702 in fiscal year 2026 and the amount by which gross sales exceed \$7,777,201,071 in fiscal year 2027 for the purpose of fulfilling contractual obligations and other administrative costs in administration of the Lottery. Any unexpended balances remaining from this appropriation as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

- (a) **Notification of Planned Use of Funds.** Prior to the use of the funds appropriated by this rider, the agency shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board a report, in a manner prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, outlining the planned use of the funds.
- (b) **Reporting Requirement on Use of Funds.** The agency shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, by December 1 each fiscal year, a report, in a manner prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, that includes the following information:
  - (1) the amounts of the funds appropriated by this rider that were expended in the previous fiscal year and the purpose of the expenditures; and
  - (2) the amount of the funds that were lapsed at the end of the previous fiscal year.

**BK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Scratch Ticket Game Closure.** The department shall provide a semi-annual report on April 1 and October 1 of each fiscal year, to the Legislative Budget Board detailing the number of scratch ticket games closed and the amount of time to end the sale of each game following closure.

**BL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sale of Lottery.** None of the funds appropriated above may be spent for the purpose of exploring, investigating, negotiating, calculating, or otherwise taking any action that would result in selling the Texas Lottery.

**BM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Bingo Third Party Reimbursements.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy E.1.3, Bingo Law Compliance Field Operations, is an estimated \$60,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$60,000 in fiscal year 2027 from amounts collected from the General Revenue Fund from third party reimbursements by the Bingo division in accordance with Texas Occupations Code, Sections 2001.205(b), 2001.209(b), and 2001.560(d).

**BN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Limitations on Transfers.** Notwithstanding Article IX, Section 14.01, Appropriation Transfers, of

this Act, appropriations may not be transferred from Strategy A.1.7, Scratch Ticket Production Contract(s), to other strategies without prior written approval from the Legislative Budget Board.

**BO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Notification Requirement.** The agency shall notify the Legislative Budget Board, in a manner prescribed by the board, at least 30 calendar days before any amendment or change order is executed on the Lottery Operator Contract.

**BP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Lottery Sales Report.** The Department of Licensing and Regulation shall submit a quarterly report to the Legislative Budget Board and members of the Legislature on the ratio of lottery sales to non-lottery sales in the top ten lottery sales retailer locations in the State of Texas.

**BQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Lottery Terminals Report.** The Department of Licensing and Regulation shall submit a quarterly report to the Legislative Budget Board on the number of retail locations with more than 3 lottery terminals on the retailer’s premises.

**BR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.** Fees, fines, and other miscellaneous revenues as authorized and generated by the operation of charity bingo pursuant to Occupations Code, Chapter 2001 shall cover, at a minimum, the cost of the appropriations made above for the strategy items in Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws, as well as the "other direct and indirect costs" made elsewhere in this Act associated with this goal. Direct costs for the strategy items in Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws are estimated to be \$2,599,745 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,599,745 in fiscal year 2027 and "other direct and indirect costs" for Goal E, Enforce Bingo Laws, are estimated to be \$1,177,574 for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,148,714 for fiscal year 2027.

In the event that actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the costs identified by this provision, the Legislative Budget Board may direct that the Comptroller of Public Accounts reduce the appropriation authority provided above to be within the amount of revenue expected to be available.

**CLIV. TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 18,770,096	\$ 19,279,461

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Texas Physicians Health Program Fund No. 5147	\$ 379,808	\$ 401,958

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	270.0	270.0

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.1. Strategy:</b> ENFORCEMENT	\$ 10,949,796	\$ 11,200,450
Conduct Competent, Fair, Timely Investigations and Monitor Results.		

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>B.1.2. Strategy:</b> PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM	\$ 791,370	\$ 808,951

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.2. Strategy:</b> INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$ 1,576,937	\$ 1,615,368
Indirect Administration - Information Technology.		

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
<b>C.1.3. Strategy:</b> OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES	\$ 749,314	\$ 782,127
Indirect Administration - Other Support Services.		

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with a "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code, Section 1232.103.

	2026	2027
a. Acquisition of Information Resource Technologies		
(1) Software replacement and upgrades	\$ 371,937	\$ 381,236
Total, Capital Budget	\$ 371,937	\$ 381,236
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 362,638	\$ 371,705
<u>General Revenue Fund - Dedicated</u>		
Texas Physicians Health Program Fund No. 5147	\$ 9,299	\$ 9,531
Subtotal, General Revenue Fund - Dedicated	\$ 9,299	\$ 9,531
Total, Method of Financing	\$ 371,937	\$ 381,236

CLV. TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	2026	2027
General Revenue Fund	\$ 13,049,981	\$ 13,050,725

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 5	\$ 203,337	\$ 203,337

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>D.1.1. Strategy:</b> REGULATORY RESPONSE	\$ 850,000	\$ 850,000
Enforce Standards in Nursing Education and		
Adjudicate Violations.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Regulatory Response.** Amounts appropriated above to the Texas Board of Nursing include an amount not to exceed \$850,000 each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.1.1, Regulatory Response, and 6.0 Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE) positions in fiscal year 2026 and 6.0 FTE positions in fiscal year 2027. These amounts are to be expended by the agency to detect nursing education credential fraud and to enforce standards in nursing education and adjudicate violations.

It is the intent of the Legislature that these funds not be included in base level funding requests for the fiscal year 2028-29 biennium.

**CLVI. BOARD OF PHARMACY**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 15,277,699	\$ 15,256,792

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):</b>	122.0	122.0

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 5	\$ 165,077	\$ 165,077

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Prescription Monitoring Program.** Amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.3, Prescription Monitoring Program, include \$3,700,750 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,700,750 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to maintain Narxcare and Statewide Integration. These amounts are exempt from Article VIII, Special Provisions Relating to all Regulatory Agencies, Section 2, Appropriations Limited to Revenue Collections.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Unexpended Balances: Prescription Monitoring Program.** Any unexpended and unobligated balances of appropriations for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2026, for Strategy B.1.3, Prescription Monitoring Program, are appropriated to the Board of Pharmacy for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**CLVII. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY & OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 1,812,816	\$ 1,816,145

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 2	\$ 118,843	\$ 118,843

**CLVIII. BOARD OF PLUMBING EXAMINERS**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 4,555,411	\$ 4,527,860

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 3	\$ 134,827	\$ 134,827

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.4. Strategy:</b> CONSUMER EDUCATION/PUBLIC AWARENESS Consumer Education and Public Awareness.	\$ 270,100	\$ 270,100

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of New Licenses, Registrations and Endorsements Issued	10,880	11,050

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Licenses, Registrations and Endorsements Renewed	45,600	45,950

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Total Number of Individuals Licensed, Registered and Endorsed (Unduplicated)	76,230	76,450

**CLIX. RACING COMMISSION**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Asset Forfeiture Appropriations Authority.** In addition to amounts appropriated above, all funds received under Chapter 59, Code of Criminal Procedure, and Chapter 71, Property Code, by the Texas Racing Commission or awarded to the Texas Racing Commission by the United States Department of Justice based on the approval of an Equitable Sharing Request (DAG-71) form (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Deter, Investigate, and Adjudicate, to be used for law enforcement purposes. Any unexpended funds (estimated to be \$0) at the close of each fiscal year from funds appropriated by this rider are appropriated for the following fiscal year.



CLX. SECURITIES BOARD

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 9,569,350	\$ 9,569,350

CLXI. PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 33,153,246	\$ 32,070,497

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE):	324.0	324.0

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Total Dollar Amount of TEF Funds Obligated to Awardees	6,400,000,000	9,400,000,000

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Capital Budget.** None of the funds appropriated above may be expended for capital budget items except as listed below. The amounts shown below shall be expended only for the purposes shown and are not available for expenditure for other purposes. Amounts appropriated above and identified in this provision as appropriations either for "Lease Payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program" or for items with a "(MLPP)" notation shall be expended only for the purpose of making lease-purchase payments to the Texas Public Finance Authority pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 1232.103.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
a. Data Center/Shared Technology Services		
(1) Data Center Consolidation	\$ 774,427	\$ 494,160
Total, Capital Budget	\$ 774,427	\$ 494,160
Method of Financing (Capital Budget):		
General Revenue Fund	\$ 774,427	\$ 494,160
Total, Method of Financing	\$ 774,427	\$ 494,160

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

Texas Energy Fund.

- (a) The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer \$4,411,977,387 from the General Revenue Fund to the Texas Energy Fund No. 0176 for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025. The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall consult with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to coordinate the timing of transfers to the Texas Energy Fund No. 0176.
- (b) The transfers made under Subsection (a), included in appropriations made in Strategy A.4.1, Texas Energy Fund, shall be used to provide grants and loans pursuant to Utilities Code, Chapter 34.
- (c) In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.4.1, all unexpended and unobligated balances remaining in Texas Energy Fund No. 0176 as of August 31, 2025, are appropriated to the

Public Utility Commission of Texas for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025 (estimated to be \$0).

- (d) All unexpended and unobligated balances in Texas Energy Fund No. 0176 appropriated to the Public Utility Commission of Texas for fiscal year 2025 and remaining as of August 31, 2026, (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the agency for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (e) Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.4.1 are interest earnings on deposits in Texas Energy Fund No. 0176 (estimated to be \$591,128,713) during the period from September 1, 2023 through August 1, 2027.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Study to Address Water and Emerging Technologies.** Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.1, Market Competition, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) shall collect data to study the water use of industrial properties with a focus on industries whose energy demands have an inverse relationship with their water usage. PUC shall prepare and submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor a report containing the findings of the study and other information PUC believes may be useful no later than December 31, 2026.

PUC shall share collected data with the Water Development Board and with the Commission on Environmental Quality for their own planning and demand purposes.

CLXII. BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 2,947,825	\$ 2,949,105

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Executive Director, Group 3	\$ 128,024	\$ 128,024

CLXIII. RETIREMENT AND GROUP INSURANCE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 35,164,843	\$ 37,433,626

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 40,288,904	\$ 43,275,148

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 24,589,124	\$ 24,799,260
Retirement Contributions. Estimated.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> GROUP INSURANCE	\$ 52,180,919	\$ 57,345,813
Group Insurance Contributions. Estimated.		

CLXIV. SOCIAL SECURITY AND BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 10,842,873	\$ 10,927,585

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Dedicated Accounts	\$ 9,203,187	\$ 9,276,847

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> STATE MATCH -- EMPLOYER	\$ 20,135,946	\$ 20,308,277
State Match -- Employer. Estimated.		

D. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.2. Strategy:</b> BENEFIT REPLACEMENT PAY	\$ 67,467	\$ 54,851
Benefit Replacement Pay. Estimated.		

CLXV. LEASE PAYMENTS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 34,050,924	\$ 36,614,172

B. Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to change items of appropriation that are the same in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>A.1.1. Strategy:</b> LEASE PAYMENTS	\$ 34,050,924	\$ 36,614,172
To TFC for Payment to TPFA.		&UB

## ARTICLE IX

### CLXVI. CLASSIFIED POSITIONS FOR THE 2026-27 BIENNIUM

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

Class Number	Class Title	Salary Group
0006	Receptionist I	A09
0008	Receptionist II	A11
0055	Clerk I	A07
0057	Clerk II	A09
0059	Clerk III	A11
0061	Clerk IV	A13
0132	Customer Service Representative I	A11
0134	Customer Service Representative II	A13
0136	Customer Service Representative III	A15
0138	Customer Service Representative IV	A17
0140	Customer Service Representative V	A19
0150	Administrative Assistant I	A09
0152	Administrative Assistant II	A11
0154	Administrative Assistant III	A13
0156	Administrative Assistant IV	A15
0158	Administrative Assistant V	A17
0159	Administrative Assistant VI	A19
0160	Executive Assistant I	B17
0162	Executive Assistant II	B19
0164	Executive Assistant III	B21
0166	Executive Assistant IV	B23
0171	License and Permit Specialist I	B14
0172	License and Permit Specialist II	B16
0173	License and Permit Specialist III	B18
0174	License and Permit Specialist IV	B20
0175	License and Permit Specialist V	B22
0180	Document Services Technician I	A10
0181	Document Services Technician II	A12
0182	Document Services Technician III	A14
0183	Document Services Technician IV	A16
0184	Document Services Technician V	A18
0190	Agenda Coordinator	B20
0211	Database Administrator I	B21
0212	Database Administrator II	B23
0213	Database Administrator III	B25
0214	Database Administrator IV	B27
0215	Database Administrator V	B29
0217	Data Officer	B29
0218	Chief Data Officer	B30
0221	Information Technology Business Analyst I	B21
0222	Information Technology Business Analyst II	B23
0223	Information Technology Business Analyst III	B25
0224	Information Technology Business Analyst IV	B27
0225	Information Technology Business Analyst V	B29
0228	Information Technology Support Specialist I	B14
0229	Information Technology Support Specialist II	B16
0230	Information Technology Support Specialist III	B18
0231	Information Technology Support Specialist IV	B20
0232	Information Technology Support Specialist V	B22
0238	Information Security Officer	B31
0239	Chief Information Security Officer	B32
0241	Programmer I	B20
0242	Programmer II	B22
0243	Programmer III	B24
0244	Programmer IV	B26
0245	Programmer V	B28
0246	Programmer VI	B29

0247	Information Technology Auditor I	B22
0248	Information Technology Auditor II	B24
0249	Information Technology Auditor III	B26
0250	Information Technology Auditor IV	B28
0252	Systems Analyst I	B17
0253	Systems Analyst II	B19
0254	Systems Analyst III	B21
0255	Systems Analyst IV	B23
0256	Systems Analyst V	B25
0257	Systems Analyst VI	B27
0258	Systems Analyst VII	B29
0270	Geographic Information Specialist I	B18
0271	Geographic Information Specialist II	B20
0272	Geographic Information Specialist III	B22
0273	Geographic Information Specialist IV	B24
0274	Geographic Information Specialist V	B26
0282	Telecommunications Specialist I	B18
0283	Telecommunications Specialist II	B20
0284	Telecommunications Specialist III	B22
0285	Telecommunications Specialist IV	B24
0286	Telecommunications Specialist V	B26
0287	Network Specialist I	B17
0288	Network Specialist II	B19
0289	Network Specialist III	B21
0290	Network Specialist IV	B23
0291	Network Specialist V	B25
0292	Network Specialist VI	B27
0294	Business Continuity Coordinator I	B26
0295	Business Continuity Coordinator II	B27
0300	Web Administrator I	B19
0301	Web Administrator II	B21
0302	Web Administrator III	B23
0303	Web Administrator IV	B25
0304	Web Administrator V	B27
0310	Systems Administrator I	B17
0311	Systems Administrator II	B19
0312	Systems Administrator III	B21
0313	Systems Administrator IV	B23
0314	Systems Administrator V	B25
0315	Systems Administrator VI	B27
0317	Data Architect I	B28
0318	Data Architect II	B30
0319	Cybersecurity Analyst I	B23
0320	Cybersecurity Analyst II	B25
0321	Cybersecurity Analyst III	B27
0322	Cybersecurity Analyst IV	B29
0323	Cybersecurity Analyst V	B31
0326	Cybersecurity Officer	B31
0328	Chief Cybersecurity Officer	B32
0340	Accessibility Specialist I	B21
0341	Accessibility Specialist II	B23
0342	Accessibility Specialist III	B25
0350	User Experience/User Interface (UX/UI) Designer I	B24
0352	User Experience/User Interface (UX/UI) Designer II	B26
0354	User Experience/User Interface (UX/UI) Designer III	B28
0356	User Experience/User Interface (UX/UI) Designer IV	B30
0516	Planner I	B18
0517	Planner II	B20
0518	Planner III	B22
0519	Planner IV	B24
0520	Planner V	B26
0590	Research and Statistics Technician I	A12
0592	Research and Statistics Technician II	A14
0600	Research Specialist I	B16
0602	Research Specialist II	B18

0604	Research Specialist III	B20
0606	Research Specialist IV	B22
0608	Research Specialist V	B24
0610	Research Specialist VI	B26
0624	Statistician I	B18
0626	Statistician II	B20
0628	Statistician III	B21
0630	Statistician IV	B23
0640	Economist I	B19
0642	Economist II	B21
0644	Economist III	B23
0646	Economist IV	B25
0650	Data Analyst I	B18
0651	Data Analyst II	B20
0652	Data Analyst III	B22
0653	Data Analyst IV	B24
0654	Data Analyst V	B26
0655	Data Analyst VI	B28
0660	Data Scientist I	B28
0662	Data Scientist II	B30
0812	Teacher Aide I	A11
0813	Teacher Aide II	A13
0814	Teacher Aide III	A15
0815	Teacher Aide IV	A17
0820	Education Specialist I	B17
0821	Education Specialist II	B19
0822	Education Specialist III	B21
0823	Education Specialist IV	B23
0824	Education Specialist V	B25
1000	Accounting Technician I	A11
1002	Accounting Technician II	A13
1004	Accounting Technician III	A15
1012	Accountant I	B15
1014	Accountant II	B16
1016	Accountant III	B18
1018	Accountant IV	B20
1020	Accountant V	B22
1022	Accountant VI	B24
1024	Accountant VII	B26
1030	Independent Audit Reviewer I	B25
1032	Independent Audit Reviewer II	B26
1034	Independent Audit Reviewer III	B27
1036	Independent Audit Reviewer IV	B28
1044	Auditor I	B19
1046	Auditor II	B21
1048	Auditor III	B23
1050	Auditor IV	B25
1052	Auditor V	B27
1059	Taxpayer Compliance Officer I	B13
1060	Taxpayer Compliance Officer II	B15
1061	Taxpayer Compliance Officer III	B17
1062	Taxpayer Compliance Officer IV	B19
1063	Taxpayer Compliance Officer V	B21
1064	Taxpayer Compliance Officer VI	B23
1065	Tax Analyst I	B23
1066	Tax Analyst II	B24
1067	Tax Analyst III	B25
1068	Tax Analyst IV	B26
1069	Tax Analyst V	B27
1073	Accounts Examiner I	B13
1074	Accounts Examiner II	B15
1075	Accounts Examiner III	B17
1076	Accounts Examiner IV	B19
1077	Accounts Examiner V	B21
1078	Accounts Examiner VI	B23

1080	Financial Analyst I	B20
1082	Financial Analyst II	B22
1084	Financial Analyst III	B24
1085	Financial Analyst IV	B26
1086	Financial Analyst V	B28
1090	Taxpayer Enforcement Officer I	B15
1091	Taxpayer Enforcement Officer II	B17
1092	Taxpayer Enforcement Officer III	B19
1093	Taxpayer Enforcement Officer IV	B21
1094	Taxpayer Enforcement Officer V	B23
1100	Financial Examiner I	B17
1102	Financial Examiner II	B19
1104	Financial Examiner III	B21
1106	Financial Examiner IV	B23
1108	Financial Examiner V	B25
1110	Financial Examiner VI	B27
1112	Financial Examiner VII	B29
1130	Investment Analyst I	B24
1131	Investment Analyst II	B26
1132	Investment Analyst III	B28
1133	Investment Analyst IV	B30
1134	Investment Analyst V	B32
1135	Investment Analyst VI	B34
1140	Portfolio Manager I	B27
1141	Portfolio Manager II	B29
1142	Portfolio Manager III	B31
1143	Portfolio Manager IV	B33
1144	Portfolio Manager V	B35
1145	Portfolio Manager VI	B36
1155	Budget Analyst I	B18
1156	Budget Analyst II	B20
1157	Budget Analyst III	B22
1158	Budget Analyst IV	B24
1159	Budget Analyst V	B26
1161	Trader I	B25
1162	Trader II	B27
1163	Trader III	B29
1175	Chief Trader I	B31
1176	Chief Trader II	B33
1200	Internal Auditor I	B19
1201	Internal Auditor II	B21
1202	Internal Auditor III	B23
1203	Internal Auditor IV	B25
1204	Internal Auditor V	B27
1242	Reimbursement Officer I	B12
1244	Reimbursement Officer II	B14
1246	Reimbursement Officer III	B16
1248	Reimbursement Officer IV	B18
1250	Reimbursement Officer V	B20
1255	Reimbursement Analyst I	B21
1256	Reimbursement Analyst II	B22
1257	Reimbursement Analyst III	B23
1258	Reimbursement Analyst IV	B24
1259	Reimbursement Analyst V	B25
1260	Loan Specialist I	B17
1261	Loan Specialist II	B19
1262	Loan Specialist III	B21
1263	Loan Specialist IV	B23
1264	Loan Specialist V	B25
1280	Tax Auditor I	B19
1281	Tax Auditor II	B21
1282	Tax Auditor III	B23
1283	Tax Auditor IV	B25
1284	Tax Auditor V	B26
1285	Tax Auditor VI	B27

1290	Payroll Assistant	A13
1291	Payroll Specialist I	B15
1292	Payroll Specialist II	B17
1293	Payroll Specialist III	B19
1294	Payroll Specialist IV	B21
1295	Payroll Specialist V	B23
1296	Payroll Specialist VI	B25
1315	Boiler Inspector I	B20
1316	Boiler Inspector II	B21
1317	Boiler Inspector III	B22
1321	Inspector I	B12
1322	Inspector II	B14
1323	Inspector III	B16
1324	Inspector IV	B18
1325	Inspector V	B20
1326	Inspector VI	B22
1327	Inspector VII	B24
1351	Investigator I	B14
1352	Investigator II	B16
1353	Investigator III	B18
1354	Investigator IV	B20
1355	Investigator V	B22
1356	Investigator VI	B24
1357	Investigator VII	B26
1400	Compliance Analyst I	B19
1401	Compliance Analyst II	B21
1402	Compliance Analyst III	B23
1403	Compliance Analyst IV	B25
1404	Compliance Analyst V	B27
1410	Quality Assurance Specialist I	B17
1411	Quality Assurance Specialist II	B18
1412	Quality Assurance Specialist III	B20
1413	Quality Assurance Specialist IV	B22
1550	Staff Services Officer I	B17
1551	Staff Services Officer II	B18
1552	Staff Services Officer III	B19
1553	Staff Services Officer IV	B20
1554	Staff Services Officer V	B21
1555	Staff Services Officer VI	B23
1558	Project Manager I	B20
1559	Project Manager II	B22
1560	Project Manager III	B24
1561	Project Manager IV	B26
1562	Project Manager V	B28
1570	Program Specialist I	B17
1571	Program Specialist II	B18
1572	Program Specialist III	B19
1573	Program Specialist IV	B20
1574	Program Specialist V	B21
1575	Program Specialist VI	B23
1576	Program Specialist VII	B25
1581	Program Supervisor I	B18
1582	Program Supervisor II	B19
1583	Program Supervisor III	B20
1584	Program Supervisor IV	B21
1586	Program Supervisor V	B23
1588	Program Supervisor VI	B25
1589	Program Supervisor VII	B26
1600	Manager I	B22
1601	Manager II	B23
1602	Manager III	B24
1603	Manager IV	B25
1604	Manager V	B26
1605	Manager VI	B27
1606	Manager VII	B28



1607	Manager VIII	B29
1620	Director I	B26
1621	Director II	B27
1622	Director III	B28
1623	Director IV	B29
1624	Director V	B30
1625	Director VI	B31
1626	Director VII	B32
1627	Director VIII	B33
1630	Deputy Director I	B33
1631	Deputy Director II	B34
1632	Deputy Director III	B35
1633	Deputy Director IV	B36
1640	Deputy Comptroller	B36
1641	Associate Deputy Attorney General	B33
1642	Deputy Attorney General	B35
1643	Deputy First Assistant Attorney General	B36
1644	First Assistant Attorney General	B37
1650	Portfolio Project Manager I	B29
1652	Portfolio Project Manager II	B31
1660	Project Management Specialist I	B20
1661	Project Management Specialist II	B22
1662	Project Management Specialist III	B24
1670	Program Management Specialist I	B25
1671	Program Management Specialist II	B26
1672	Program Management Specialist III	B27
1673	Program Management Specialist IV	B28
1680	Agile Scrum Master I	B26
1681	Agile Scrum Master II	B28
1685	Management Analyst I	B19
1686	Management Analyst II	B21
1687	Management Analyst III	B23
1688	Management Analyst IV	B25
1689	Management Analyst V	B27
1695	Policy Analyst I	B21
1696	Policy Analyst II	B23
1697	Policy Analyst III	B25
1727	Human Resources Assistant	B14
1729	Human Resources Specialist I	B16
1731	Human Resources Specialist II	B18
1733	Human Resources Specialist III	B20
1735	Human Resources Specialist IV	B22
1737	Human Resources Specialist V	B24
1739	Human Resources Specialist VI	B26
1780	Training and Development Assistant	B13
1781	Training and Development Specialist I	B15
1782	Training and Development Specialist II	B17
1783	Training and Development Specialist III	B19
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1792	E-Learning Developer III	B25
1800	Intelligent Transportation Systems Operations Technician I	B15
1802	Intelligent Transportation Systems Operations Technician II	B17
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1810	Creative Media Designer I	B17
1812	Creative Media Designer II	B19
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1822	Marketing Specialist I	B16
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1830	Information Specialist I	B16
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1840	Multimedia Technician I	A11
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1870	Technical Writer I	B19
1871	Technical Writer II	B21
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1875	Editor I	B18
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1878	Editor IV	B24
1880	Governor's Advisor I	B23
1881	Governor's Advisor II	B25
1882	Governor's Advisor III	B27
1883	Governor's Advisor IV	B29
1884	Governor's Advisor V	B31
1890	Government Relations Specialist I	B23
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1897	Privacy Analyst I	B21
1898	Privacy Analyst II	B23
1899	Privacy Analyst III	B25
1911	Inventory and Store Specialist I	A11
1912	Inventory and Store Specialist II	A13
1913	Inventory and Store Specialist III	A15
1914	Inventory and Store Specialist IV	A17
1915	Inventory and Store Specialist V	A19
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1920	Grant Specialist II	B19
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1930	Purchaser I	B13
1931	Purchaser II	B15
1932	Purchaser III	B17
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1934	Purchaser V	B21
1935	Purchaser VI	B23
1936	Purchaser VII	B25
1960	Contract Administration Manager I	B26
1962	Contract Administration Manager II	B28
1974	Contract Technician	A13
1976	Contract Specialist I	B16
1980	Contract Specialist II	B18
1982	Contract Specialist III	B20
1984	Contract Specialist IV	B22
1986	Contract Specialist V	B24
1990	Property Manager I	B18
1992	Property Manager II	B20
1994	Property Manager III	B22
1995	Property Manager IV	B24
1996	Fleet Manager I	B18
1997	Fleet Manager II	B20

1998	Fleet Manager III	B22
1999	Fleet Manager IV	B24
2054	Land Surveyor I	B21
2056	Land Surveyor II	B23
2058	Land Surveyor III	B25
2062	Appraiser I	B17
2064	Appraiser II	B19
2065	Appraiser III	B21
2066	Appraiser IV	B23
2067	Appraiser V	B25
2070	Real Estate Specialist I	B24
2071	Real Estate Specialist II	B26
2082	Right of Way Agent I	B16
2084	Right of Way Agent II	B18
2086	Right of Way Agent III	B20
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2091	Right of Way Agent VI	B26
2093	Utility Specialist I	B21
2094	Utility Specialist II	B23
2100	Minerals Specialist I	B22
2101	Minerals Specialist II	B24
2102	Minerals Specialist III	B26
2106	Survey Technician I	A18
2107	Survey Technician II	A20
2119	Engineering Aide	A11
2123	Engineering Technician I	A16
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2125	Engineering Technician III	A20
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2155	Engineer IV	B26
2156	Engineer V	B27
2157	Engineer VI	B28
2161	District Engineer	B34
2181	Drafting Technician I	A19
2182	Drafting Technician II	A21
2255	Project Design Specialist I	B19
2256	Project Design Specialist II	B20
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2260	Architect I	B22
2264	Architect II	B24
2266	Architect III	B26
2268	Architect IV	B28
2271	Intelligent Transportation Systems Specialist I	B21
2272	Intelligent Transportation Systems Specialist II	B23
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2340	Geologic Specialist I	B18
2342	Geologic Specialist II	B20
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2364	Geoscientist II	B23
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2366	Geoscientist IV	B27
2456	Hydrologist I	B18
2460	Hydrologist II	B20
2464	Hydrologist III	B22
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2466	Hydrologist V	B26

2472	Chemist I	B17
2473	Chemist II	B19
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2476	Chemist V	B25
2583	Sanitarian I	B18
2584	Sanitarian II	B20
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2586	Sanitarian IV	B24
2640	Park Ranger I	B15
2641	Park Ranger II	B17
2642	Park Ranger III	B19
2643	Park Ranger IV	B21
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2651	Environmental Protection Specialist I	B16
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2653	Environmental Protection Specialist III	B20
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2661	Toxicologist I	B23
2662	Toxicologist II	B25
2663	Toxicologist III	B27
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2688	Fish and Wildlife Technician I	A14
2689	Fish and Wildlife Technician II	A16
2690	Fish and Wildlife Technician III	A18
2692	Assistant Park/Historic Site Superintendent I	B19
2694	Assistant Park/Historic Site Superintendent II	B20
2696	Assistant Park/Historic Site Superintendent III	B21
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2705	Park/Historic Site Superintendent VI	B25
2720	Lifeguard I	A08
2721	Lifeguard II	A10
2730	Safety Officer I	B17
2731	Safety Officer II	B19
2732	Safety Officer III	B21
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2734	Safety Officer V	B25
2740	Risk Management Specialist I	B16
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2744	Risk Management Specialist V	B24
2761	Rescue Specialist I	B18
2762	Rescue Specialist II	B20
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2770	Emergency Medical Services Specialist I	B20
2771	Emergency Medical Services Specialist II	B22
2780	School Safety and Security Specialist I	B27
2781	School Safety and Security Specialist II	B28
2782	School Safety and Security Specialist III	B29
2783	School Safety and Security Specialist IV	B30
2802	Actuary I	B21
2803	Actuary II	B23
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2806	Actuary V	B31
2808	Chief Actuary	B33
2842	Insurance Specialist I	B14
2843	Insurance Specialist II	B16
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2845	Insurance Specialist IV	B20
2914	Retirement System Benefits Specialist I	B18
2915	Retirement System Benefits Specialist II	B20
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2917	Retirement System Benefits Specialist IV	B24
2918	Retirement System Benefits Specialist V	B26
2921	Claims Examiner I	B14
2922	Claims Examiner II	B16
2923	Claims Examiner III	B18
2924	Claims Examiner IV	B20
2925	Claims Examiner V	B22
2940	Retirement System Operational Specialist I	B15
2941	Retirement System Operational Specialist II	B17
2942	Retirement System Operational Specialist III	B19
3021	Workforce Development Specialist I	B12
3023	Workforce Development Specialist II	B14
3025	Workforce Development Specialist III	B16
3026	Workforce Development Specialist IV	B18
3151	Unemployment Insurance Claims Examiner I	B11
3153	Unemployment Insurance Claims Examiner II	B13
3154	Unemployment Insurance Claims Examiner III	B15
3171	Unemployment Insurance Specialist I	B16
3173	Unemployment Insurance Specialist II	B18
3502	Attorney I	B22
3503	Attorney II	B24
3504	Attorney III	B26
3505	Attorney IV	B28
3506	Attorney V	B30
3510	Assistant Attorney General I	B22
3511	Assistant Attorney General II	B24
3512	Assistant Attorney General III	B26
3513	Assistant Attorney General IV	B28
3514	Assistant Attorney General V	B30
3515	Assistant Attorney General VI	B31
3516	Assistant Attorney General VII	B32
3521	General Counsel I	B26
3522	General Counsel II	B28
3523	General Counsel III	B30
3524	General Counsel IV	B32
3525	General Counsel V	B34
3530	Hearings Officer I	B20
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3533	Hearings Officer IV	B23
3534	Hearings Officer V	B24
3559	Court Reporter I	B22
3560	Court Reporter II	B24
3561	Court Reporter III	B26
3565	Legal Secretary I	A13
3566	Legal Secretary II	A15
3567	Legal Secretary III	A17
3568	Legal Secretary IV	A19
3569	Legal Secretary V	A21
3572	Legal Assistant I	B16
3574	Legal Assistant II	B18
3576	Legal Assistant III	B20
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3580	Legal Assistant V	B24
3582	Legal Assistant VI	B26
3590	Mitigation Specialist I	B20

3592	Mitigation Specialist II	B22
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3596	Mitigation Specialist IV	B26
3604	Law Clerk	B16
3610	Court Law Clerk I	B19
3611	Court Law Clerk II	B21
3620	Deputy Clerk I	A13
3622	Deputy Clerk II	A15
3624	Deputy Clerk III	A17
3626	Deputy Clerk IV	A19
3630	Chief Deputy Clerk	B23
3635	Clerk of the Court	B29
3637	Court Coordinator I	B17
3638	Court Coordinator II	B19
3639	Court Coordinator III	B21
3640	Administrative Law Judge I	B25
3642	Administrative Law Judge II	B26
3644	Administrative Law Judge III	B27
3645	Administrative Law Judge IV	B28
3646	Master Administrative Law Judge I	B29
3648	Master Administrative Law Judge II	B31
3660	Ombudsman I	B17
3662	Ombudsman II	B19
3663	Ombudsman III	B21
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3667	Ombudsman VI	B27
3668	Ombudsman VII	B29
3670	Benefit Review Officer I	B19
3672	Benefit Review Officer II	B21
3674	Benefit Review Officer III	B23
3690	Medical Fee Dispute Officer I	B19
3692	Medical Fee Dispute Officer II	B21
3694	Medical Fee Dispute Officer III	B23
4001	Dietetic Technician I	A10
4002	Dietetic Technician II	A12
4007	Certified Peer Support Specialist I	A10
4008	Certified Peer Support Specialist II	A12
4016	Dietetic and Nutrition Specialist I	B18
4017	Dietetic and Nutrition Specialist II	B20
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4050	Health Informatics Specialist I	B20
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4072	Public Health and Prevention Specialist I	B14
4074	Public Health and Prevention Specialist II	B16
4076	Public Health and Prevention Specialist III	B18
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4080	Public Health and Prevention Specialist V	B22
4082	Epidemiologist I	B19
4083	Epidemiologist II	B21
4084	Epidemiologist III	B23
4085	Epidemiologist IV	B25
4125	Veterinarian I	B26
4127	Veterinarian II	B28
4129	Veterinarian III	B30
4131	Veterinarian IV	B32
4142	Laboratory Technician I	A11
4144	Laboratory Technician II	A13
4146	Laboratory Technician III	A15
4148	Laboratory Technician IV	A17
4160	Health Assistant	B14
4161	Health Specialist I	B17
4162	Health Specialist II	B18

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4167	Health Specialist VII	B25
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4214	Molecular Biologist II	B19
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4225	Microbiologist V	B25
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4242	Nurse III	B24
4243	Nurse IV	B26
4244	Nurse V	B28
4245	Nurse VI	B30
4250	Public Health Nurse I	B20
4251	Public Health Nurse II	B22
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4253	Public Health Nurse IV	B26
4254	Public Health Nurse V	B28
4260	Licensed Vocational Nurse I	A16
4261	Licensed Vocational Nurse II	A18
4262	Licensed Vocational Nurse III	A19
4263	Licensed Vocational Nurse IV	A20
4270	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse I	B28
4271	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse II	B29
4272	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse III	B30
4292	Radiological Technologist I	B16
4293	Radiological Technologist II	B18
4294	Radiological Technologist III	B20
4342	Orthopedic Equipment Technician I	A12
4344	Orthopedic Equipment Technician II	A14
4346	Orthopedic Equipment Technician III	A16
4350	Psychiatric Nursing Assistant I	A10
4351	Psychiatric Nursing Assistant II	A12
4352	Psychiatric Nursing Assistant III	A14
4353	Psychiatric Nursing Assistant IV	A16
4354	Psychiatric Nursing Assistant V	A18
4360	Registered Therapist Assistant I	A19
4361	Registered Therapist Assistant II	A21
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4370	Occupational Therapist	B27
4374	Physical Therapist	B27
4378	Speech-Language Pathologist	B27
4380	Audiologist	B25
4383	Medical Technician I	A08
4384	Medical Technician II	A10
4385	Medical Technician III	A12
4386	Medical Technician IV	A14
4387	Medical Technician V	A16
4390	Health Physicist I	B23
4392	Health Physicist II	B25
4394	Health Physicist III	B27
4401	Medical Technologist I	B16
4402	Medical Technologist II	B18

4403	Medical Technologist III	B20
4404	Medical Technologist IV	B22
4405	Medical Technologist V	B24
4428	Respiratory Care Practitioner I	B21
4429	Respiratory Care Practitioner II	B22
4435	Resident Physician	B20
4436	Physician I	B33
4437	Physician II	B34
4438	Physician III	B35
4439	Physician IV	B36
4440	Physician Assistant	B29
4453	Medical Research Specialist	B24
4455	Dentist I	B29
4457	Dentist II	B31
4459	Dentist III	B33
4462	Psychologist I	B23
4464	Psychologist II	B25
4465	Psychologist III	B27
4466	Psychologist IV	B29
4469	Psychological Associate I	B19
4470	Psychological Associate II	B20
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4472	Psychological Associate IV	B22
4473	Behavior Analyst I	B23
4474	Behavior Analyst II	B25
4476	Psychiatrist I	B32
4477	Psychiatrist II	B33
4478	Psychiatrist III	B34
4479	Psychiatrist IV	B35
4481	Psychiatrist V	B36
4482	Dental Assistant I	A12
4483	Dental Assistant II	A14
4489	Dental Hygienist I	B21
4490	Dental Hygienist II	B23
4491	Dental Hygienist III	B25
4492	Pharmacist I	B27
4493	Pharmacist II	B29
4494	Pharmacist III	B31
4498	Pharmacy Technician I	A12
4499	Pharmacy Technician II	A14
4502	Correctional Officer I	A14
4503	Correctional Officer II	A15
4504	Correctional Officer III	A16
4505	Correctional Officer IV	A18
4510	Sergeant of Correctional Officers	B19
4511	Lieutenant of Correctional Officers	B20
4512	Captain of Correctional Officers	B21
4513	Major of Correctional Officers	B22
4521	Juvenile Correctional Officer I	A13
4522	Juvenile Correctional Officer II	A16
4523	Juvenile Correctional Officer III	A17
4524	Juvenile Correctional Officer IV	A19
4525	Juvenile Correctional Officer Supervisor	B20
4526	Dorm Supervisor I	B21
4527	Dorm Supervisor II	B22
4530	Halfway House Assistant Superintendent	B22
4531	Halfway House Superintendent	B24
4532	Youth Facility Assistant Superintendent	B25
4533	Youth Facility Superintendent	B27
4540	Parole Officer I	B17
4541	Parole Officer II	B18
4542	Parole Officer III	B19
4543	Parole Officer IV	B21
4544	Parole Officer V	B23
4550	Assistant Warden	B25



4551	Warden I	B27
4552	Warden II	B28
4560	Counsel Substitute I	A13
4561	Counsel Substitute II	A15
4562	Counsel Substitute III	A17
4647	Industrial Specialist I	A14
4648	Industrial Specialist II	A15
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4650	Industrial Specialist IV	A17
4651	Industrial Specialist V	A18
4672	Agriculture Specialist I	A14
4673	Agriculture Specialist II	A15
4674	Agriculture Specialist III	A16
4675	Agriculture Specialist IV	A17
4676	Agriculture Specialist V	A18
5002	Adult Protective Services Specialist I	B17
5003	Adult Protective Services Specialist II	B18
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5010	Family Services Specialist I	B21
5011	Family Services Specialist II	B22
5016	Family and Protective Services Supervisor I	B22
5017	Family and Protective Services Supervisor II	B24
5018	Family and Protective Services Supervisor III	B26
5023	Child Protective Services Specialist I	B17
5024	Child Protective Services Specialist II	B18
5025	Child Protective Services Specialist III	B19
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5027	Child Protective Services Specialist V	B21
5030	Protective Services Intake Specialist I	B16
5031	Protective Services Intake Specialist II	B17
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5050	Rehabilitation Therapy Technician I	A08
5051	Rehabilitation Therapy Technician II	A10
5052	Rehabilitation Therapy Technician III	A12
5053	Rehabilitation Therapy Technician IV	A14
5054	Rehabilitation Therapy Technician V	A16
5062	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor I	B18
5063	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor II	B19
5064	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor III	B20
5065	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor IV	B22
5079	Chaplaincy Services Assistant	A14
5081	Chaplain I	B17
5082	Chaplain II	B19
5083	Chaplain III	B21
5090	Rehabilitation Teacher I	B14
5091	Rehabilitation Teacher II	B16
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5093	Rehabilitation Teacher IV	B20
5104	Veterans Services Representative I	B16
5105	Veterans Services Representative II	B17
5106	Veterans Services Representative III	B18
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5111	Substance Abuse Counselor I	B16
5112	Substance Abuse Counselor II	B17
5113	Substance Abuse Counselor III	B18
5114	Substance Abuse Counselor IV	B19
5121	Direct Support Professional I	A10
5122	Direct Support Professional II	A12
5123	Direct Support Professional III	A14

5124	Direct Support Professional IV	A16
5125	Direct Support Professional V	A18
5131	Qualified Intellectual Disability Professional I	B19
5132	Qualified Intellectual Disability Professional II	B20
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5140	Recreation Program Specialist I	B14
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5144	Recreation Program Specialist III	B18
5203	Resident Specialist I	A11
5205	Resident Specialist II	A13
5207	Resident Specialist III	A15
5209	Resident Specialist IV	A17
5226	Case Manager I	B13
5227	Case Manager II	B15
5228	Case Manager III	B17
5229	Case Manager IV	B19
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5232	Volunteer Services Coordinator I	B13
5233	Volunteer Services Coordinator II	B15
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5400	Social Worker I	B17
5402	Social Worker II	B19
5404	Social Worker III	B21
5406	Social Worker IV	B23
5505	Human Services Technician I	A11
5506	Human Services Technician II	A13
5540	Child Support Officer I	B12
5541	Child Support Officer II	B14
5542	Child Support Officer III	B16
5543	Child Support Officer IV	B18
5544	Child Support Officer V	B20
5551	Child Support Technician I	A12
5552	Child Support Technician II	A14
5553	Child Support Technician III	A16
5560	Victim Compensation Officer I	B17
5561	Victim Compensation Officer II	B19
5562	Victim Compensation Officer III	B21
5570	Victim Support Specialist I	A12
5571	Victim Support Specialist II	A14
5572	Victim Support Specialist III	A16
5573	Victim Support Specialist IV	A18
5616	Interpreter/Translator I	B17
5617	Interpreter/Translator II	B19
5618	Interpreter/Translator III	B21
5619	Interpreter/Translator IV	B23
5620	Eligibility Advisor I	B13
5622	Eligibility Advisor II	B14
5624	Eligibility Advisor III	B15
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5630	Eligibility Supervisor I	B19
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5700	Human Services Specialist I	B11
5701	Human Services Specialist II	B12
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5705	Human Services Specialist VI	B16
5706	Human Services Specialist VII	B17
5711	Transition Coordinator I	B17
5713	Transition Coordinator II	B21
5720	Human Rights Officer I	B19
5721	Human Rights Officer II	B21

5722	Human Rights Officer III	B23
5723	Human Rights Officer IV	B25
5730	Guardianship Specialist I	B19
5731	Guardianship Specialist II	B20
5732	Guardianship Specialist III	B21
5735	Guardianship Supervisor I	B21
5736	Guardianship Supervisor II	B22
5737	Guardianship Supervisor III	B23
6052	Forensic Scientist I	B20
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6054	Forensic Scientist III	B22
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6057	Forensic Scientist VI	B25
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6096	Police Communications Operator II	B15
6097	Police Communications Operator III	B16
6098	Police Communications Operator IV	B17
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6100	Police Communications Operator VI	B20
6101	Police Communications Operator VII	B22
6115	Biometrics Analyst I	B13
6116	Biometrics Analyst II	B15
6117	Biometrics Analyst III	B17
6118	Biometrics Analyst IV	B19
6121	Crime Laboratory Specialist I	B18
6122	Crime Laboratory Specialist II	B19
6123	Crime Laboratory Specialist III	B20
6124	Crime Laboratory Specialist IV	B21
6160	Crime Analyst I	B15
6162	Crime Analyst II	B17
6163	Crime Analyst III	B19
6170	Criminal Intelligence Analyst I	B21
6172	Criminal Intelligence Analyst II	B23
6174	Criminal Intelligence Analyst III	B25
6221	Public Safety Records Technician I	A10
6222	Public Safety Records Technician II	A11
6223	Public Safety Records Technician III	A12
6224	Public Safety Records Technician IV	A13
6230	Security Officer I	A11
6232	Security Officer II	A13
6234	Security Officer III	A15
6236	Security Officer IV	A17
6241	Emergency Management Program Coordinator I	B20
6242	Emergency Management Program Coordinator II	B22
6243	Emergency Management Program Coordinator III	B24
6244	Emergency Management Program Coordinator IV	B25
6400	Military Technician I	A10
6401	Military Technician II	A12
6402	Military Technician III	A14
6403	Military Technician IV	A16
6405	Military Technician V	A20
6501	Military Specialist I	B20
6502	Military Specialist II	B22
6503	Military Specialist III	B24
6504	Military Specialist IV	B27
6505	Military Specialist V	B30
7306	Archeologist I	B20
7308	Archeologist II	B22
7310	Archeologist III	B24
7311	Archeologist IV	B25
7315	Historian I	B17
7317	Historian II	B19
7319	Historian III	B21
7352	Library Assistant I	A11

7354	Library Assistant II	A13
7401	Librarian I	B16
7402	Librarian II	B18
7403	Librarian III	B20
7404	Librarian IV	B22
7405	Archivist I	B16
7407	Archivist II	B18
7409	Archivist III	B20
7411	Archivist IV	B22
7464	Exhibit Technician	B17
7466	Curator I	B16
7468	Curator II	B18
7470	Curator III	B20
7472	Curator IV	B22
7480	Records Analyst I	B15
7481	Records Analyst II	B17
7482	Records Analyst III	B19
8003	Custodian I	A07
8005	Custodian II	A08
8007	Custodian III	A10
8009	Custodian IV	A12
8021	Custodial Manager I	A13
8023	Custodial Manager II	A15
8025	Custodial Manager III	A17
8032	Groundskeeper I	A08
8033	Groundskeeper II	A10
8034	Groundskeeper III	A12
8035	Groundskeeper IV	A14
8103	Food Service Worker I	A07
8104	Food Service Worker II	A09
8105	Food Service Worker III	A11
8108	Food Service Manager I	A13
8109	Food Service Manager II	A15
8110	Food Service Manager III	A17
8111	Food Service Manager IV	A19
8117	Cook I	A09
8118	Cook II	A11
8119	Cook III	A13
8252	Laundry/Sewing Room Worker I	A07
8253	Laundry/Sewing Room Worker II	A09
8254	Laundry/Sewing Room Worker III	A11
8261	Laundry Manager I	A15
8262	Laundry Manager II	A17
8263	Laundry Manager III	A19
8302	Barber/Cosmetologist	A09
9026	Equipment Operator I	A18
9027	Equipment Operator II	A19
9028	Equipment Operator III	A20
9034	Air Conditioning and Boiler Operator I	A13
9035	Air Conditioning and Boiler Operator II	A15
9036	Air Conditioning and Boiler Operator III	A17
9037	Air Conditioning and Boiler Operator IV	A19
9041	Maintenance Specialist I	A11
9042	Maintenance Specialist II	A13
9043	Maintenance Specialist III	A14
9044	Maintenance Specialist IV	A16
9045	Maintenance Specialist V	A18
9046	Maintenance Specialist VI	A20
9053	Maintenance Supervisor I	A17
9054	Maintenance Supervisor II	A18
9055	Maintenance Supervisor III	A19
9056	Maintenance Supervisor IV	A21
9060	Electronics Technician I	A16
9062	Electronics Technician II	A18
9064	Electronics Technician III	A20

9066	Electronics Technician IV	A22
9305	Transportation Maintenance Specialist I	A16
9306	Transportation Maintenance Specialist II	A17
9307	Transportation Maintenance Specialist III	A18
9308	Transportation Maintenance Specialist IV	A19
9309	Transportation Maintenance Specialist V	A20
9310	Transportation Maintenance Specialist VI	A21
9311	Transportation Maintenance Specialist VII	A22
9323	Vehicle Driver I	A12
9324	Vehicle Driver II	A14
9325	Vehicle Driver III	A16
9326	Vehicle Driver IV	A18
9327	Vehicle Driver V	A20
9330	Commercial Driver I	B20
9332	Commercial Driver II	B21
9334	Commercial Driver III	B22
9336	Commercial Driver IV	B23
9416	Motor Vehicle Technician I	A12
9417	Motor Vehicle Technician II	A14
9418	Motor Vehicle Technician III	A16
9419	Motor Vehicle Technician IV	A18
9420	Motor Vehicle Technician V	A20
9512	Machinist I	A16
9514	Machinist II	A18
9628	Aircraft Pilot I	B26
9629	Aircraft Pilot II	B27
9630	Aircraft Pilot III	B28
9631	Aircraft Pilot IV	B29
9632	Aircraft Pilot V	B30
9638	Aircraft Mechanic I	B22
9640	Aircraft Mechanic II	B23
9642	Aircraft Mechanic III	B24
9644	Aircraft Mechanic IV	B25
9650	Aircraft Inspector I	B26
9652	Aircraft Inspector II	B27
9660	Flight Operations Coordinator I	B22
9662	Flight Operations Coordinator II	B24
9700	Radio Communications Technician I	A13
9704	Radio Communications Technician II	A15
9706	Radio Communications Technician III	A17
9733	Equipment Maintenance Technician I	A15
9734	Equipment Maintenance Technician II	A17
9735	Equipment Maintenance Technician III	A19
9790	Welder I	A19
9792	Welder II	A21
9802	Electrician I	A16
9804	Electrician II	A18
9806	Electrician III	A20
9808	Electrician IV	A22
9812	HVAC Mechanic I	A16
9814	HVAC Mechanic II	A18
9816	HVAC Mechanic III	A20
9818	HVAC Mechanic IV	A22
9820	Plumber I	A16
9822	Plumber II	A18
9824	Plumber III	A20
9826	Plumber IV	A22
9832	Ferryboat Specialist I	B22
9834	Ferryboat Specialist II	B23
9836	Ferryboat Specialist III	B24
9838	Ferryboat Deckhand I	A13
9839	Ferryboat Deckhand II	A15
9840	Ferryboat Deckhand III	A17
9846	Ferryboat Captain Assistant I	A18
9848	Ferryboat Captain Assistant II	A20

9850	Ferryboat Captain I	B22
9852	Ferryboat Captain II	B23
9854	Ferryboat Captain III	B24
9872	Police Inspector, Juvenile Justice Department	C03
9874	Corporal, Juvenile Justice Department	C04
9875	Sergeant, Juvenile Justice Department	C04
9876	Lieutenant, Juvenile Justice Department	C05
9878	Commander, Juvenile Justice Department	C07
9879	Deputy Chief, Juvenile Justice Department	C08
9880	Investigator I (Trainee), Office of the Comptroller	C01
9881	Investigator II, Office of the Comptroller	C02
9882	Corporal, Office of the Comptroller	C03
9883	Sergeant, Office of the Comptroller	C04
9884	Lieutenant, Office of the Comptroller	C05
9885	Captain, Office of the Comptroller	C06
9894	Sergeant, Texas Department of Insurance	C04
9895	Lieutenant, Texas Department of Insurance	C05
9896	Captain, Texas Department of Insurance	C06
9897	Deputy Chief Investigator, Texas Department of Insurance	C07
9901	Public Safety Inspector I	C05
9902	Public Safety Inspector II	C06
9905	Pilot Investigator I	C04
9906	Pilot Investigator II	C05
9907	Pilot Investigator III	C06
9908	Pilot Investigator IV	C07
9909	Sergeant, Commission on Law Enforcement	C04
9910	Lieutenant, Commission on Law Enforcement	C05
9911	Captain, Commission on Law Enforcement	C06
9912	Major, Commission on Law Enforcement	C08
9913	State Park Police Officer Trainee (Cadet)	C01
9914	Probationary State Park Police Officer	C02
9915	State Park Police Officer	C03
9916	Sergeant, State Park Police Officer	C04
9917	Lieutenant, State Park Police Officer	C05
9918	Captain, State Park Police Officer	C06
9919	Major, State Park Police Officer	C08
9920	Trooper Trainee	C01
9922	Probationary Trooper	C02
9928	Trooper	C03
9935	Corporal	C03
9940	Sergeant, Public Safety	C04
9941	Lieutenant, Public Safety	C05
9942	Captain, Public Safety	C06
9943	Assistant Commander, Public Safety	C07
9944	Commander, Public Safety	C08
9945	Major, Public Safety	C08
9949	Agent Trainee	C01
9950	Probationary Agent	C02
9956	Agent	C03
9960	Sergeant, Alcoholic Beverage	C04
9961	Lieutenant, Alcoholic Beverage	C05
9962	Captain, Alcoholic Beverage	C06
9963	Major, Alcoholic Beverage	C08
9965	Investigator I, Trainee - Office of the Inspector General	C01
9970	Investigator II - Office of the Inspector General	C02
9971	Investigator III - Office of the Inspector General	C03
9972	Investigator IV - Office of the Inspector General	C04
9973	Regional Supervisor - Office of the Inspector General	C05
9974	Regional Manager - Office of the Inspector General	C06
9975	Multi-Regional Administrator - Office of the Inspector General	C07
9976	Chief Inspector - Office of the Inspector General	C08
9980	Game Warden Trainee	C01
9981	Probationary Game Warden	C02
9987	Game Warden	C03
9990	Sergeant, Game Warden	C04

9991	Lieutenant, Game Warden	C05
9992	Captain, Game Warden	C06
9993	Assistant Commander, Game Warden	C07
9994	Commander, Game Warden	C08
9995	Major, Game Warden	C08
9996	Sergeant, Texas Attorney General's Office	C04
9997	Lieutenant, Texas Attorney General's Office	C05
9998	Captain, Texas Attorney General's Office	C06
9999	Major, Texas Attorney General's Office	C08

**CLXVII. SCHEDULE B CLASSIFICATION SALARY SCHEDULE**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**For the Fiscal Years Beginning September 1, 2025 and 2026**

Group	Minimum	Maximum
B10	\$30,910	\$42,571
B11	\$32,332	\$47,355
B12	\$33,840	\$49,798
B13	\$35,439	\$52,388
B14	\$37,144	\$55,134
B15	\$38,976	\$58,045
B16	\$40,918	\$61,130
B17	\$42,976	\$64,469
B18	\$45,521	\$71,055
B19	\$48,244	\$76,028
B20	\$51,158	\$81,351
B21	\$54,278	\$87,046
B22	\$57,614	\$93,138
B23	\$61,184	\$99,658
B24	\$65,104	\$106,634
B25	\$69,572	\$114,099
B26	\$76,530	\$129,430
B27	\$84,182	\$142,374
B28	\$92,600	\$156,612
B29	\$101,860	\$172,272
B30	\$112,047	\$189,499
B31	\$123,252	\$208,449
B32	\$135,577	\$229,295
B33	\$149,134	\$252,224
B34	\$164,048	\$277,446
B35	\$180,453	\$305,191
B36	\$198,499	\$335,710
B37	\$215,000	\$360,000

**CLXVIII. SALARY ADMINISTRATION AND EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 3.04. Scheduled Exempt Positions.**

- (a) Except for the positions listed under Subsections (b)(3), (c)(6), or (f), a position listed following an agency's appropriation in the agency's "Schedule of Exempt Positions" shall receive compensation at a rate not to exceed the amount indicated in that agency's "Schedule of Exempt Positions."
- (b) (1) Notwithstanding the rate listed in an agency's "Schedule of Exempt Positions," a position listed in Subsection (b)(3) may receive compensation at a rate set by the Governor in an amount not to exceed the "Maximum Salary" but not less than the "Minimum Salary" for the appropriate group as listed in Subsection (b)(2).
- (2) An exempt position listed in Subsections (b)(3), (c)(6), or (f) for which the term "Group," followed by an Arabic numeral, is indicated, may receive compensation at a rate within the

range indicated below for the respective salary group indicated.

Scheduled Exempt Position Salary Rates

Group	Minimum Salary	Maximum Salary
1	\$70,000	\$112,750
2	82,915	133,658
3	95,378	153,717
4	109,695	176,839
5	126,175	203,337
6	145,127	233,849
7	166,860	268,900
8	191,889	308,807
9	220,626	355,608
10	242,800	390,908

(3) Agency	Position	Salary Group
(A) Secretary of State	Secretary of State	Group 8
(B) Office of State-Federal Relations	Executive Director	Group 4
(C) Health and Human Services Commission	Executive Commissioner	Group 10
(D) Texas Education Agency	Commissioner of Education	Group 9
(E) Texas Military Department	Adjutant General	Group 7
(F) Texas Department of Criminal Justice	Presiding Officer, Board of Pardons and Paroles	Group 7
(G) Texas Department of Criminal Justice	Parole Board Members (6)	Group 5
(H) Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Commissioners (3)	Group 7
(I) Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs	Executive Director	Group 6
(J) Texas Workforce Commission	Commissioners (2)	Group 5
(K) Texas Workforce Commission	Commission Chair	Group 6
(L) State Office of Administrative Hearings	Chief Administrative Law Judge	Group 6
(M) Texas Department of Insurance	Commissioner of Insurance	Group 7
(N) Office of Public Insurance Counsel	Public Counsel	Group 4
(O) Office of Public Utility Counsel	Public Counsel	Group 4
(P) Bond Review Board	Executive Director	Group 4
(Q) Texas Water Development Board	Commission Chair	Group 7
(R) Texas Water Development Board	Commissioners (2)	Group 7
(S) Texas Water Development Board	Executive Administrator	Group 7
(T) Department of State Health Services	Commissioner	Group 9
(U) Department of Family and Protective Services	Commissioner	Group 9

- (c) (1) Notwithstanding the rate listed in an agency's "Schedule of Exempt Positions," an agency whose exempt position is listed in Subsection (c)(6) may request to set the rate of compensation provided for the agency's respective exempt position at an amount not to exceed the "Maximum Salary" but not less than the "Minimum Salary" for the appropriate group as listed in Subsection (b)(2).
- (2) The request submitted by the agency's governing board (for an agency with a governing board) or by the chief administrative officer of the state agency may include:
- (A) the date on which the board (for an agency with a governing board) approved the request;
- (B) a statement justifying the need to exceed the current salary limitation; and
- (C) the source of monies to be used to pay the additional salary amount.
- (3) The governing board (when applicable for an agency with a governing board) may make a request under Subsection (c)(1) a maximum of once per fiscal year and additionally upon a vacancy in an exempt position listed in Subsection (c)(6).
- (4) A proposed rate increase is approved if neither the Legislative Budget Board nor the Governor issues a written disapproval of the proposal not later than:



- (A) for the Legislative Budget Board, the thirtieth business day after the date the staff of the Legislative Budget Board concludes its review of the proposed rate increase and forwards its review to the Chair of the House Committee on Appropriations, Chair of the Senate Committee on Finance, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor; and
  - (B) for the Governor, the thirtieth business day after the receipt of the proposed rate increase by the Governor.
- (5) Unless a proposed rate increase is disapproved, the Legislative Budget Board shall notify the affected agency, the Governor's Office, and the Comptroller of the new salary rate.
- (6)
- | Agency   | Position           | Salary Group |
|--|--------------------|--------------|
| (A) Higher Education Coordinating Board        | Commissioner       | Group 9      |
| (B) Department of Information Resources        | Executive Director | Group 9      |
| (C) Texas Lottery Commission                   | Executive Director | Group 7      |
| (D) Texas Juvenile Justice Department          | Executive Director | Group 8      |
| (E) Preservation Board                         | Executive Director | Group 6      |
| (F) School for the Blind and Visually Impaired | Superintendent     | Group 5      |
| (G) School for the Deaf                        | Superintendent     | Group 5      |
| (H) Animal Health Commission                   | Executive Director | Group 6      |
| (I) Texas Public Finance Authority             | Executive Director | Group 7      |
| (J) Alcoholic Beverage Commission              | Executive Director | Group 7      |
| (K) Public Utility Commission of Texas         | Commissioners (5)  | Group 7      |
| (L) Public Utility Commission of Texas         | Executive Director | Group 7      |
- (d) In addition to all other requirements, any salary increase from appropriated monies within the limits provided by this section and salary increases within the limit established under an agency's bill pattern, must be:
- (1) in writing;
  - (2) approved by the governing board (for an agency with a governing board) in a public meeting;
  - (3) signed by the presiding officer of the governing board (for an agency with a governing board); and
  - (4) submitted to the Governor, the Legislative Budget Board, and the Comptroller.
- (e)
- (1) Each title listed in a "Schedule of Exempt Positions" following an agency's appropriation authorizes one position for the agency unless the title is followed by an Arabic numeral indicating the number of positions authorized.
  - (2) The number of authorized positions for a title listed in a "Schedule of Exempt Positions" may be exceeded only:
    - (A) for the purpose of hiring a replacement in a key management position as certified by the chief administrator of the agency;
    - (B) if the current incumbent of the position has formally resigned or otherwise announced irrevocable plans to vacate the position;
    - (C) for a period of time not to exceed the equivalent of one month's salary per fiscal year per terminating incumbent (excluding time spent on the payroll for the purpose of exhausting accrued annual leave or state compensatory time); and
    - (D) if exceptions are reported as prescribed for payroll reporting procedures.
- (f) Notwithstanding the rate listed in an agency's "Schedule of Exempt Positions", a position listed below may receive compensation at a rate set by the governing board of the agency in an amount not to exceed the "Maximum Salary" but not less than the "Minimum Salary" for the appropriate group listed in Subsection (b)(2).

Texas Department of Public Safety, Executive Director, Group 10

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 3.12. Exceptions for Salary Schedule C.**

- (a) Notwithstanding other provisions in this Act, the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas may pay its employees classified as Corporal I, II, III, IV, V, or VI Traffic Law Enforcement, at rates that exceed the maximum rates designated in Salary Schedule C by up to \$3,000 per fiscal year.
- (b)
  - (1) Notwithstanding other provisions in this Act, the Department of Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Criminal Justice, Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas Department of Insurance, and the Alcoholic Beverage Commission of Texas shall pay its employees classified as commissioned peace officers in Salary Schedule C, salary stipends at rates that exceed the maximum rates designated in Salary Schedule C.
  - (2) Salary stipends shall be paid to commissioned peace officers who achieve certain levels of skill or certifications as approved by the departments. Such skills and certifications shall include:
    - (A) Education Level: \$100 per month for an associate degree; \$200 per month for a bachelor's degree; and \$300 per month for a master's degree;
    - (B) Commission on Law Enforcement Certification Level: \$100 per month for intermediate; \$200 per month for advanced; and \$300 per month for master's;
    - (C) Bilingual Capabilities: \$100 per month for the ability to speak a language other than English.
  - (3) Commissioned peace officers may receive a stipend for education level and certification level.
- (c) The agencies listed in this section shall work with the Comptroller to establish an efficient salary reporting and payment system.

**CLXIX. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 7.10. Border Security.**

- (a) Included elsewhere in this Act is \$3,351.7 million in border security funding for the 2026-27 biennium. The following is an informational list of the estimated amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act for border security.

<u>Agency</u>	<u>2026-27 Biennial Total (in millions)</u>
Office of the Attorney General	\$ 2.6
Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor	228.5
Department of State Health Services	16.4
Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council	44.8
Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission	6.9
Texas Department of Criminal Justice	25.9
Commission on Jail Standards	0.4
Texas Commission on Law Enforcement	0.3
Texas Military Department	1,765.5
Department of Public Safety	1,194.6
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	33.6
Texas Soil and Water Conservation Board	7.2
Department of Motor Vehicles	25.1
GRAND TOTAL, ALL AGENCIES	\$3,351.7

Notwithstanding general transfer provisions in this Act, Legislative Budget Board approval is necessary to modify the purpose of funds listed under Subsection (a).

- (b) In this section, border security is defined as activities:
  - (1) associated with deterring crimes and enforcing state laws related to offenses listed in the Government Code, Section 772.0071;

- (2) associated with hunting and fishing laws related to poaching;
  - (3) for which Texas receives federal grants intended to enhance law enforcement;
  - (4) that relate to federal law enforcement operations; or
  - (5) described in a disaster declaration relating to border security issued by the Governor.
- (c) Agencies listed above, and any other agency as requested by the Legislative Budget Board, shall report expended amounts and performance indicator results for border security as of February 28 and August 31 to the Legislative Budget Board. Agencies shall provide the report on a semi-annual basis not later than March 31 and September 30 of each year and in the manner prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board. Each report must include the following related to enforcing border security as described by Subsection (b):
- (1) Object of expense and method of finance for expended amounts, and
  - (2) Performance indicators as defined by the Legislative Budget Board, including but not limited to:
    - (A) the number of border security-related apprehensions and arrests made by law enforcement personnel;
    - (B) the number of juveniles apprehended;
    - (C) the number of individuals undergoing magistration, prosecution, or conviction for state crimes related to border security;
    - (D) the average number of detainees confined to state correctional facilities converted by the Department of Criminal Justice to confine those accused of state crimes related to border security;
    - (E) the total length, expressed in miles, and type of temporary and permanent fencing, barrier, or wall erected along the international border with Mexico; and
    - (F) the number and amount of grants issued by the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor.
  - (d) Agencies shall itemize information submitted in reports described in Subsection (c) into border regions and non-border regions. Each agency reporting under this section shall list in its reports the specific counties that the agency considers to be within the border region for purposes of the agency's reporting in compliance with this section. Reports may include activities statewide that support the definition in Subsection (b).

## CLXX. HEALTH-RELATED PROVISIONS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

### Sec. 10.03. Informational Listing on Use of Tobacco Settlement Receipts.

- (a) The following is an informational list of the amounts (as shown in thousands) appropriated elsewhere in this Act to agencies from tobacco settlement receipts and estimated distributions from funds and endowments created by House Bill 1676 and House Bill 1945, Seventy-sixth Legislature and Senate Bill 126, Seventy-seventh Legislature for each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium and does not make appropriations:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
(1) Health and Human Services Commission		
A.1.1. Medicaid Client Services	\$148,000	\$148,000
C.1.1. Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)	188,828	188,267
(2) Department of State Health Services		
A.2.5. TX Center for Infectious Disease, estimated	883	883
(3) Texas Department of Agriculture		
A.2.2. Rural Health	1,891	1,891
(4) Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board		
E.1.3. Earnings - Baylor College of Medicine, estimated	1,425	1,425
E.1.4. Baylor College Medical Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,914	1,914
F.1.1. Earnings - Minority Health, estimated	1,067	1,067

	F.1.2. Earnings - Nursing, Allied Health, estimated	1,884	1,884
(5)	University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UT SWMC Dallas, estimated	3,825	3,825
	E.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	3,649	3,649
(6)	University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston		
	F.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UTMB Galveston, estimated	1,913	1,913
	F.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	2,176	2,176
(7)	University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston		
	F.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UTHSC Houston, estimated	1,913	1,913
	F.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	2,196	2,196
(8)	University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio		
	F.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UTHSC San Antonio, estimated	15,300	15,300
	F.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,753	1,753
(9)	University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UT MD Anderson, estimated	7,650	7,650
	E.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	2,784	2,784
(10)	University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UTHSC Tyler, estimated	1,913	1,913
	E.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,429	1,429
(11)	Texas A&M University System Health Science Center		
	F.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - TAMU System HC, estimated	1,400	1,400
	F.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,384	1,384
(12)	University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UNT HSC Ft. Worth, estimated	1,125	1,125
	E.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,045	1,045
(13)	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - TX Tech University HSC, estimated	1,935	1,935
	E.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,754	1,754
(14)	Texas Tech Health Sciences Center at El Paso		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings -TX Tech HSC El Paso	1,400	1,400
	E.1.2. Tobacco - Permanent Health Fund	1,352	1,352
(15)	University of Texas System		
	C.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - RAHC, estimated	1,530	1,530
(16)	University of Texas at El Paso		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Earnings - UTEP, estimated	1,913	1,913
(17)	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine		
	E.1.1. Tobacco-Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,303	1,303
(18)	University of Texas at Austin - Dell Medical School		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,301	1,301
(19)	Sam Houston State University College of Osteopathic Medicine		
	D.1.1. Tobacco Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,189	1,189
(20)	University of Houston College of Medicine		
	E.1.1. Tobacco Permanent Health Fund, estimated	1,100	1,100

- (b) Informational Listing - Permanent Funds and Endowments. The following is an informational list of the amounts used to capitalize Permanent Funds and Endowments created by House Bill 1676 and 1945, Seventy-sixth Legislature and by Senate Bill 126, Seventy-seventh Legislature, and does not make appropriations:

(1)	Permanent Health Fund for Higher Education, Fund No. 810	\$350,000,000
(2)	Permanent Fund for Children and Public Health, Fund No. 5045	100,000,000
(3)	Permanent Fund for Health and Tobacco Education and Enforcement, Fund No. 5044	200,000,000
(4)	The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Endowment, Fund No. 811	200,000,000
(5)	Permanent Fund for Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care, Fund No. 5046	100,000,000
(6)	Permanent Fund for Rural Health Facility Capital Improvement (Rural Hospital Infrastructure), Fund No. 5047	50,000,000
(7)	The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Endowment, Fund No. 812	100,000,000
(8)	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Endowment (El Paso), Fund No. 820	25,000,000
(9)	The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas Endowment, Fund No. 813	50,000,000
(10)	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Endowment (Other than El Paso), Fund No. 821	25,000,000
(11)	The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston Endowment,	

	Fund No. 814	25,000,000
(12)	The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Endowment, Fund No. 815	25,000,000
(13)	The University of Texas Health Center at Tyler Endowment, Fund No. 816	25,000,000
(14)	Texas A&M University System Health Science Center Endowment, Fund No. 818	25,000,000
(15)	University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth Endowment, Fund No. 819	25,000,000
(16)	Permanent Endowment Fund for University of Texas Regional Academic Health Center, Fund No. 822	20,000,000
(17)	The University of Texas at El Paso Endowment, Fund No. 817	25,000,000
(18)	Baylor College of Medicine, Fund No. 823	25,000,000
(19)	Permanent Fund for Higher Education Nursing, Allied Health and Other Health-related Programs, Fund No. 824	45,000,000
(20)	Permanent Fund for Minority Health Research and Education, Fund No. 825	25,000,000
(21)	Permanent Hospital Fund for Capital Improvements and the Texas Center for Infectious Disease, Fund No. 5048	25,000,000
(22)	Permanent Endowment Fund for the Rural Communities Healthcare Investment Program, Fund No. 364	2,500,000

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 10.04. Statewide Behavioral Health Strategic Plan and Coordinated Expenditures.**

- (a) **Informational Listing - Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse Services Appropriations.**  
The following is an informational listing of appropriations for behavioral health services made elsewhere in this Act.

Behavioral health services are programs or services directly or indirectly related to the research, prevention, or detection of mental disorders and disabilities, and all services necessary to treat, care for, control, supervise, and rehabilitate persons who have a mental disorder or disability, including persons whose mental disorders or disabilities result from alcoholism or drug addiction. Certain non-behavioral health-related costs which could not be disaggregated from other healthcare costs are also included in the listing below.

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Article I</b>		
Trusted Programs, Office of the Governor	\$61,488,393	\$61,488,393
Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
Veterans Commission	\$9,740,162	\$9,693,662
<b>Article II</b>		
Department of Family and Protective Services	\$39,959,639	\$39,959,639
Department of State Health Services	\$4,057,215	\$4,061,696
Health and Human Services Commission	\$2,438,242,888	\$2,567,382,487
Texas Civil Commitment Office	\$154,611	\$154,611
<b>Article III</b>		
Texas Education Agency	\$5,111,722	\$2,500,000
Texas School for the Deaf	\$88,200	\$88,200
University of Texas - Health Science Center Houston	\$13,250,000	\$13,250,000
University of Texas - Health Science Center San Antonio	\$9,100,000	\$9,100,000
University of Texas - Health Science Center Tyler	\$10,730,000	\$10,730,000
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board	\$144,972,883	\$144,972,881
Public Community/Junior Colleges	\$954,560	\$956,151
<b>Article IV</b>		
Supreme Court of Texas	\$3,000,106	\$1,546,606
Court of Criminal Appeals	\$568,500	\$568,500
Office of Court Administration	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000

<b>Article V</b>		
Commission on Jail Standards	\$75,000	\$75,000
Department of Criminal Justice	\$308,546,248	\$309,755,099
Juvenile Justice Department	\$102,221,514	\$101,221,513
Military Department	\$4,148,317	\$4,148,317
Commission on Law Enforcement	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000

<b>Article VI</b>		
Department of Agriculture	\$500,000	\$500,000

<b>Article VIII</b>		
State Board of Dental Examiners	\$172,312	\$172,321
Board of Pharmacy	\$6,107,574	\$6,107,574
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners	\$85,500	\$85,500
Optometry Board	\$47,000	\$47,000
Board of Nursing	\$1,005,458	\$1,005,458
Medical Board	\$791,370	\$808,951

<b>Total</b>	\$3,173,819,172	\$3,299,079,559
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**Method of Financing**

General Revenue	\$2,648,237,560	\$2,776,265,384
General Revenue - Dedicated	\$33,986,030	\$31,396,458
Federal Funds	\$454,976,091	\$454,741,767
Other Funds	\$36,619,491	\$36,675,950

<b>Subtotal</b>	\$3,173,819,172	\$3,299,079,559
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Estimated Medicaid		
Expenditures (All Funds)	\$1,895,666,179	\$1,985,222,502
Estimated CHIP Expenditures (All Funds)	\$29,351,923	\$30,217,266

<b>Total</b>	\$5,098,837,274	\$5,314,519,327
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Medicaid and CHIP amounts in this table reflect estimated expenditures and may not align with the appropriations made elsewhere in this Act for Medicaid and CHIP.

- (b) **Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council.** Each agency identified in Subsection (a), with the exception of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and Article VIII agencies, shall designate an individual to serve as a member of the Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council (the coordinating council), established by 2016-17 General Appropriations Act (GAA), Article IX, Section 10.04(b), Eighty-fourth Legislature, 2015, and may use monies appropriated by this Act to support the coordinating council. In addition to the agencies identified in Subsection (a), the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the Texas Workforce Commission, and the Texas Education Agency shall each designate an individual to serve as a representative on the coordinating council. The Texas Mental Health Care Consortium shall designate an individual to serve as a representative on the coordinating council. Any other state agency or institution that receives funding in this Act and provides specific behavioral health services may participate in the meetings and discussions of the coordinating council. The Mental Health Statewide Coordinator at the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall serve as chair of the coordinating council. The coordinating council shall meet at least once quarterly during fiscal years 2026 and 2027, or more frequently if determined necessary by the Mental Health Statewide Coordinator at HHSC.
- HHSC shall require certain community collaboratives that receive state grant funding to present twice annually on the impact each collaborative has had on project implementation and mental health outcomes on the population served by the grant funding. These community collaboratives shall include community collaboratives as described by Government Code, Chapter 547A, Community Collaboratives; community recipients of a grant for veterans' mental health pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 547, Subchapter G, Matching Grant Program for Community Mental Health Programs Assisting Veterans and Their Families; recipients of a grant through the

Mental Health Grant Program for Justice-Involved Individuals; and recipients of a grant through the Community Mental Health Grant Program. It is the intent of the Legislature that these presentations serve as an opportunity to increase collaboration for the effective expenditure of behavioral health monies between state and local entities. No provision of this Act may be construed as granting the coordinating council authority over local projects implemented by the collaboratives listed above.

- (c) **Statewide Behavioral Health Strategic Plan.** The purpose of the coordinating council shall be to implement the five-year Texas Statewide Behavioral Health Strategic Plan most recently published on November 3, 2022, and originally published May 1, 2016, (the strategic plan) per 2016-17 GAA, Article IX, Section 10.04(b), Eighty-fourth Legislature, 2015. The coordinating council shall submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board including the progress of the strategic plan's implementation no later than December 1 of each year of the biennium. The report shall include the coordinating council's agency participation and how the strategic plan's implementation serves to coordinate programs and services to eliminate redundancy; utilize best practices in contracting standards; perpetuate identified successful models for mental health and substance abuse treatment; ensure optimal service delivery; and identify and collect comparable data on results and effectiveness. The coordinating council shall annually update the inventory of behavioral health programs and services. The inventory shall describe how the identified programs, services, initiatives, and expenditures further the goals of the strategic plan. HHSC shall make available the five-year strategic plan update and the inventory of programs on HHSC's website no later than December 1 of each year.

The coordinating council shall also collaborate with the Board of Pharmacy and the Medical Board to create a sub-plan related to substance abuse. The sub-plan shall include challenges of existing prevention, intervention, and treatment programs; evaluation of substance use disorder prevalence; service ability; gaps in current services; and strategies for working with state agencies to expand treatment capacity.

- (d) **Coordination of Behavioral Health Expenditures.** The coordinating council shall submit to the Executive Commissioner of HHSC for approval a coordinated statewide expenditure proposal for each agency, which shall include the appropriation amounts identified in Subsection (a). The expenditure proposal shall describe how the identified appropriations at each agency or institution would be spent in accordance with and to further the goals of the approved strategic plan. HHSC shall submit the coordinated statewide behavioral health expenditure proposal to the Legislative Budget Board by September 1, 2025, for fiscal year 2026, and by July 1, 2026, for fiscal year 2027. The strategic plan shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval by November 1, 2025, for fiscal year 2026, or by September 1, 2026, for fiscal year 2027.

Notwithstanding any other appropriation authority granted by this Act, the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall not allow the expenditure of General Revenue-Related monies identified in Subsection (a) by a particular agency if the Legislative Budget Board provides notification to the Comptroller of Public Accounts that the agency's expenditure proposal has not satisfied the requirements of this provision. If fiscal year 2026 or fiscal year 2027 General Revenue-Related monies are used to provide services required by federal law, are related to court-ordered treatment, or are required as the result of administrative proceedings, the funding for these services shall still be included in the proposal, but these monies shall not be contingent upon approval.

The coordinated expenditure proposal shall be developed in a format specified by the Legislative Budget Board, and shall, at a minimum, include expenditures related to each program identified in the program inventory required by Subsection (c), identified by fund type. Behavioral health-related Medicaid expenditures shall also be included as a separate line item for each agency.

- (e) **Report on Review of Exceptional Item Requests.** No later than January 15, 2027, the coordinating council shall submit to the Executive Commissioner of HHSC and the Legislative Budget Board a report regarding the coordinating council's thorough review and complete vetting of all behavioral health exceptional item requests submitted with each agency's legislative appropriation request.
- (f) **Report on Suicide and Suicide Prevention.** Out of monies appropriated elsewhere in this Act to HHSC, the coordinating council shall provide an update to the report on suicide and suicide prevention in Texas required by House Bill 3980, Eighty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, 2019 (Acts 2019, 86th R.S., ch. 1317, General and Special Laws of Texas). The report shall include data and recommendations specific to suicides among veterans and foster youth in the state. The coordinating council may collaborate with the Texas Veterans Commission, the Department of Family and Protective Services, and other agencies that the coordinating council deems necessary

to receive data on veterans or foster youth to help conduct the study. The coordinating council shall submit the updated report to the Legislative Budget Board and Governor's Office not later than September 1, 2026.

- (g) **Children's Mental Health Strategic Plan.** Out of monies appropriated elsewhere in this Act to HHSC, the coordinating council shall develop a strategic plan specific to the behavioral health of children and youth. The plan shall incorporate the full continuum of care needed to support children and families and include:

- (1) descriptions of who provides what services to which children;
- (2) strategies to identify and address gaps in care;
- (3) discussion of workforce shortages;
- (4) information on funding and reimbursement; and
- (5) children-specific data and expenditure information.

The plan shall be developed by a subcommittee of the coordinating council made of members including but not limited to the Health and Human Services Commission, the Department of Family and Protective Services, the Texas Department of Juvenile Justice, the Texas Education Agency, the Department of State Health Services, and medical practitioners with expertise and facilities which provide inpatient and outpatient care. The coordinating committee shall submit the plan to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Office by December 1, 2026.

## **CLXXI. FEDERAL FUNDS**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 13.01. Federal Funds/Block Grants.** Monies received from the United States government by a state agency or institution named in this Act are appropriated to the agency or institution for the purposes for which the federal grant, allocation, aid, payment, or reimbursement was made subject to the provisions of this Act, specifically excluding funds made available to reimburse the state for border security expenditures billed to the federal government or similar federal legislation enacted after the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, adjourns.

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

### **Sec. 13.05. Reimbursements from Federal Funds.**

- (a) As applicable, federal reimbursements received for expenditures previously made or services performed on behalf of federal programs from state monies shall be credited by the Comptroller to the fund from which the expenditure was originally made. The credit shall be to the agency's current appropriation item or accounts from which the expenditures of like character were originally made and are appropriated. Reimbursements received from employee benefits paid from General Revenue Fund appropriations of other administering agencies shall be deposited to the unappropriated General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Funds made available to reimburse the state for border security expenditures billed to the federal government or similar federal legislation enacted after the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, adjourns are specifically excluded from the appropriations made by this Act.

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

### **Sec. 13.10. Definition, Appropriation, Reporting and Audit of Earned Federal Funds.**

- (a) **Definition.** Earned Federal Funds (EFF) are defined as all monies received in connection with each entitlement period of a federally funded contract, grant or program, excluding reimbursements under Section 13.05 of this article which are not required by the governing agreement to be distributed thereon. Typically, EFF arise from recoveries of costs previously paid from a nonfederal fund source, indirect cost allocations, interest earned on federal funds, and minor sources such as the sale of fixed assets purchased with federal funds. These earned federal funds are received in connection with a federally funded program but are not required by the governing agreement to be distributed on that program. For state accounting purposes, EFF are defined as revenues collected from federal receipts and deposited into the state General Revenue



Fund as Comptroller revenue object codes 3602, 3702, 3726, 3745, 3750, 3773, 3851, and 3971.

- (b) **Collected Revenue.** General Revenue in the amounts specified by year below is appropriated in agency bill patterns elsewhere in this Act and is contingent on collection of EFF revenues by the following agencies:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<b>Article I: General Government</b>		
Attorney General	\$ 16,362,391	\$ 16,385,950
Trusted Programs of the Governor	2,500,000	2,500,000
Library & Archives Commission	110,630	110,630
Veterans Commission	2,468,986	2,468,986
<b>Article II: Health and Human Services</b>		
Dept. of Family and Protective Services	\$ 185,751	\$ 176,463
Department of State Health Services	1,443,914	1,443,914
Health and Human Services Commission	14,189,780	14,189,780
<b>Article III: Education</b>		
Texas Education Agency	\$ 6,253,143	\$ 3,253,143
<b>Article V: Public Safety and Criminal Justice</b>		
Texas Military Department	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Juvenile Justice Department	20,000	20,000
<b>Article VI: Natural Resources</b>		
Department of Agriculture	\$ 7,138,557	\$ 7,138,557
General Land Office	2,093,580	2,093,580
Animal Health Commission	151,729	151,729
Commission on Environmental Quality	5,200,000	5,200,000
Parks and Wildlife Commission	225,000	225,000
Railroad Commission	2,398,509	2,398,509
Water Development Board	109,313	109,313
<b>Article VII: Business and Economic Development</b>		
Housing and Community Affairs	\$ 2,387,017	\$ 2,395,311
Workforce Commission	139,646	139,646
<b>Article VIII: Regulatory</b>		
Department of Insurance	\$ 273,056	\$ 273,056
<b>General Revenue in Lieu of Earned Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$ 63,751,002</b>	<b>\$ 60,773,567</b>

- (c) **Reporting and Appropriation.** On a quarterly basis, the Comptroller shall notify the Legislative Budget Board and Governor of the EFF amounts deposited by agency. If an agency specified above collects and deposits more EFF than identified above in fiscal year 2026, the agency is appropriated the additional amounts subject to the following conditions:
- (1) At least 30 days prior to budgeting or expending the EFF above the 2026 level above, the agency shall report the anticipated amounts and proposed use of these monies to the Legislative Budget Board.
  - (2) Notification shall include information regarding the need that will be served with the additional revenue.
  - (3) Notification shall also identify the impact on established performance targets, measures, capital budget authority, and full-time-equivalent positions.
- (d) **Reporting and Appropriation.** Subsection (c) authority and requirements shall also apply to fiscal year 2027.
- (e) **No Unexpended Balance Authority from Fiscal Year 2025 for Agencies.** The amounts of General Revenue above for all listed agencies exclude any unexpended balances of EFF that remain on August 31, 2025. It is assumed that any remaining balances of EFF on August 31, 2025, lapse to the General Revenue Fund.
- (f) **Unexpended Balance Authority Between Years of the 2026-27 Biennium.** Any EFF balances in excess of the amounts identified in Subsection (b) or any balance remaining from the amounts identified in Subsection (b) on August 31, 2026, may be carried forward into fiscal year 2027.
- (g) **Benefits Proportional.** Revenues collected as EFF as authorized and generated by each of the agencies above cover, at a minimum, the cost of the General Revenue appropriations specified above and any associated employee benefits.
- (h) **Federal Monies Collected for Post-retirement Health Care.** Federal monies collected for post-

retirement health care costs shall be deposited as unappropriated general revenue and are not eligible for appropriation by this provision.

- (i) **Amounts Contingent on Collection.** The yearly amounts by agency identified above are contingent on collection. If actual and/or projected revenue collections are insufficient to offset the appropriations identified in this provision, the Comptroller shall reduce the General Revenue appropriations provided by this Act to be within the amount of EFF collections expected to be available.
- (j) **Contingency Appropriation for Additional Agencies.** If an agency not identified above enters into an agreement with a federal agency which results in the receipt of EFF which are a new source of collections not anticipated for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, the affected agency shall furnish documentation of the new revenue to the Comptroller. If the Comptroller finds the information sufficient to support the revenue stream as a new collection, a finding of fact shall be issued and the additional EFF collections are appropriated subject to the notification requirements in Subsections (c) and (d).
- (k) **Audit.** The depositing and classification practices of EFF by agencies referenced above shall be subject to audit by the State Auditor's Office.

## **CLXXII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

### **Sec. 17.03. Payroll Contribution for Group Health Insurance.**

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, out of appropriations made elsewhere in this Act to state agencies and institutions of higher education for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, each agency and institution of higher education shall contribute to the Employees Retirement System's Group Benefits Program in an amount equal to 1.0 percent of the total base wages and salaries for each benefits eligible employee of a state agency or institution of higher education during the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025.
- (b) For purposes of this section "state agencies and institutions of higher education" does not include components within the University of Texas and Texas A&M Systems.
- (c) State agencies and institutions of higher education shall contribute pursuant to this section to the Employees Retirement System to increase state funding for group health coverage by the value of the 1.0 percent contribution, estimated to be \$160,721,242 in All Funds for state agencies and \$95,401,331 in All Funds for institutions of higher education for the 2026-27 biennium.
- (d) The calculation of base salary for purposes of the reductions made under this section excludes longevity pay, hazardous duty pay, benefit replacement pay, overtime pay, and other payments that are not part of the base salary of the employee.
- (e) Transfers made under this section shall be consistent with provisions requiring salaries and benefits to be proportional to the source of monies.
- (f) The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to administer this section.

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

### **Sec. 17.06. Additional Payroll Contribution for Retirement Contribution.**

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, out of appropriations made elsewhere in this Act to state agencies for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, each agency shall contribute to the Employees Retirement System's Retirement Program in an amount equal to 0.5 percent of the total base wages and salaries for each eligible employee of a state agency during the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025.
- (b) State agencies shall contribute pursuant to this section to the Employees Retirement System to increase the state contribution for retirement by the value of the 0.5 percent contribution, estimated to be \$100,275,056 for state agencies for the 2026-27 biennium.
- (c) The calculation of base salary for purposes of the reductions made under this section excludes

longevity pay, hazardous duty pay, benefit replacement pay, overtime pay, and other payments that are not part of the base salary of the employee.

- (d) Transfers made under this section shall be consistent with provisions requiring salaries and benefits to be proportional to the source of monies.
- (e) The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to administer this section.

C. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.11. Human Trafficking Prevention Coordinating Council.**

- (a) The following is an informational listing of appropriations made elsewhere in this Act to address human trafficking.

Human trafficking-related activities include programs and services directly and indirectly related to state and local grant programs, law enforcement, research, trainings, regulatory efforts, criminal justice actions, and child welfare. Certain non-human trafficking-related costs which could not be disaggregated from other costs are also included in the listing below.

	Fiscal Year 2026	Fiscal Year 2027
<b>Article I</b>		
Office of the Attorney General	\$3,104,547	\$3,104,547
Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor	\$4,337,650	\$2,337,650
<b>Article II</b>		
Department of Family and Protective Services	\$853,541	\$853,541
Department of State Health Services	\$30,000	\$30,000
<b>Article V</b>		
Alcoholic Beverage Commission	\$2,575,115	\$2,575,115
Department of Public Safety	\$21,747,024	\$16,003,132
<b>Article VIII</b>		
Department of Licensing and Regulation	\$2,757,435	\$2,613,276
<b>Total, Method of Financing</b>	<b>\$35,405,312</b>	<b>\$27,517,261</b>
<b>Method of Financing</b>		
General Revenue	\$33,326,787	\$27,438,736
General Revenue-Dedicated	\$2,000,000	\$0
Federal Funds	\$78,525	\$78,525
Other Funds	\$0	\$0
<b>Total, Method of Financing</b>	<b>\$35,405,312</b>	<b>\$27,517,261</b>

- (b) The Attorney General or their designee shall serve as the presiding officer of the Human Trafficking Prevention Coordinating Council (the council). The Office of the Attorney General shall make the strategic plan described in Subsection (c) and the annual reports described in Subsection (d) available on the office’s internet website. Each agency identified in Subsection (a) shall designate an individual to serve as a member of the council and may use monies appropriated by this Act to support the council. Any other state agency or institution that receives funding in this Act and provides specific human trafficking prevention services may participate in the meetings and discussion of the council.
- (c) The council shall develop and implement a five-year Strategic Plan for Preventing Human Trafficking encompassing fiscal years 2026 through 2030. No later than December 1, 2026, the council shall submit the five-year Strategic Plan for Preventing Human Trafficking to the Legislature. The five-year Strategic Plan for Preventing Human Trafficking shall include:
  - (1) An inventory of human trafficking prevention programs and services in this state that are administered by state agencies, including institutions of higher education, and political subdivisions;
  - (2) A report on the number of persons served by the programs inventoried in Subsection (c)(1);
  - (3) A plan to coordinate the programs inventoried in Subsection (c)(1) with the goals of eliminating redundancy, ensuring the use of best practices in preventing human trafficking,

as well as identifying and collecting data regarding the efficacy of the programs inventoried in Subsection (c)(1); and

- (4) A plan, aligned with the goals provided in Subsection (c)(3), to coordinate the expenditure of state monies appropriated in this Act for the prevention of human trafficking, including monies expended by the task force established under Government Code, Section 402.035, or by a successor entity established by the Office of the Attorney General.
- (d) Not later than December 1, 2027, the council shall submit an annual report detailing the progress of implementing the strategic plan described in Subsection (c) to the Legislature. The annual report shall include:
  - (1) A description of the level of participation in the strategic plan by each agency represented on the council;
  - (2) How the implementation of the strategic plan serves to coordinate the programs and services inventoried in Subsection (c)(1) and achieve the goals provided in Subsection (c)(3); and
  - (3) An update of the inventory described in Subsection (c)(1) and how each new program or service furthers the goals provided in Subsection (c)(3).

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.15. Appropriation for a Salary Increase for Licensed Attorneys in Certain Positions.**

- (a) As used in this section, “salary increase” shall mean:
  - (1) a six percent increase in salary, to begin on September 1, 2025, for licensed attorneys in all classified positions generally requiring a law degree; and
  - (2) any related employee benefits costs associated with the increase in salary described by Subsection (a)(1) including contributions required by Sections 17.03 and 17.06.
- (b) In addition to other amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, for the biennium the Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated an amount estimated to be \$39,300,000 out of the General Revenue Fund to provide for a salary increase as described in Subsection (a).
- (c) The amounts appropriated by this section intended to be used for the salary increase described by Subsection (a) of this section may not be used to provide a salary increase for statewide elected officials, justices and judges of the appellate and district courts, district attorneys, criminal district attorneys, county attorneys performing the duties of a district attorney, or the compensatory per diem of board or commission members.
- (d) The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to administer this section and the appropriations that are intended to be used for the salary increase described by Subsection (a) of this section. Amounts appropriated in this section shall be allocated to each agency, and to the appropriate employee benefit appropriation items, in accordance with these rules and regulations and may be used for the purpose of providing a salary increase and paying associated benefit costs.
- (e) This section does not authorize an increase of classified salary rates or exempt salary rates above the rates listed in the applicable schedule in this Act.
- (f) This section shall apply to part-time employees hired pursuant to Government Code, Section 658.009. For the purposes of this section, in computing the annual salary increase for a part-time employee, the salary increase shall be proportional to an employee working 40 hours per week.
- (g) Licensed attorneys employed in the following classification titles and series of classification titles to be provided with a salary increase as provided by this section include:
  - (1) Attorney series;
  - (2) Assistant Attorney General series;
  - (3) General Counsel series;
  - (4) Administrative Law Judge series;
  - (5) Master Administrative Law Judge series;
  - (6) Law Clerk;
  - (7) Court Law Clerk series;

- (8) Hearings Officer series;
- (9) Associate Deputy Attorney General;
- (10) Deputy Attorney General;
- (11) Deputy First Assistant Attorney General; and
- (12) First Assistant Attorney General.

(h) This section shall apply to attorney positions at the Special Prosecution Unit, Walker County.

E. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.16. Contingent Appropriation of All Unexpended Balances Remaining from House Bill 500.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 500 or similar legislation relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding appropriations by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) All unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the second anniversary of the effective date of House Bill 500, Acts of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act) from all appropriations made by that Act, from all funds or sources and for all purposes as stated by that Act (estimated to be \$0), are appropriated for those same purposes and from those same funds for the period beginning on the second anniversary of the effective date of that Act until August 31, 2027.
- (b) All capital budget authority provided by House Bill 500, Acts of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act) for the appropriations made by Subsection (a) of this section is extended for the period beginning on the second anniversary of the effective date of that Act until August 31, 2027.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.17. Parks and Wildlife Department: Direction for Local Park Grants for Specific Recreational Facilities Funded in House Bill 500.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 500 or similar legislation relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding appropriations by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Parks and Wildlife Department shall use \$60,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund appropriated in HB 500, Section 6.08, to provide local park grants for the following recreational facilities in the following amounts:

- (1) \$3,000,000 for Olmito Nature Park Nature Center;
- (2) \$1,000,000 for City of Pharr All-Abilities Park;
- (3) \$3,000,000 for Cloverland and Tom Bass Parks;
- (4) \$5,000,000 for Quinta Mazatlan;
- (5) \$7,000,000 for Franklin Mountains State Park/Wyler Tramway;
- (6) \$750,000 for Stephen F. Austin-Munson Historical Park;
- (7) \$1,000,000 for City of Pearland All-Abilities Play Space;
- (8) \$1,000,000 for Brooks Park;
- (9) \$1,000,000 for Griggs South Creek Linear;
- (10) \$1,000,000 for Sycamore Community Park;
- (11) \$1,000,000 for Dylan Duncan Memorial Skate Park;
- (12) \$1,000,000 for Cedar Hill Senior Center;
- (13) \$150,000 for Towne Center Park;
- (14) \$2,100,000 for Champion Trails Park;
- (15) \$1,000,000 for City of Brownsville Park;
- (16) \$2,000,000 for Woodlawn Lake Park;
- (17) \$1,000,000 for Haden Park;
- (18) \$1,000,000 for Agnes Moffitt Park Pool;
- (19) \$1,000,000 for Andover Park;
- (20) \$3,000,000 for Fair Park First;
- (21) \$2,000,000 for Beaumont and Port Arthur Parks;
- (22) \$1,000,000 for Aransas First Land Trust;
- (23) \$1,000,000 for Benbrook Dutch Branch Park;
- (24) \$1,000,000 for Crowley Bicentennial Park;
- (25) \$1,000,000 for Montie Beach Park;
- (26) \$1,000,000 for Cities of Granjeno and Alton Parks;
- (27) \$1,000,000 for Meadowcreek Village Park;
- (28) \$5,000,000 for Judge Charles Rose Park;
- (29) \$1,000,000 for Zollie Scales Park;
- (30) \$3,000,000 for Tidwell Park;

- (31) \$2,000,000 for Warren Park;
- (32) \$1,000,000 for E.L. Crain Park;
- (33) \$1,000,000 for Springwoods Park; and
- (34) \$2,000,000 for Bordersville Park.

**G.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.18. Texas Water Development Board: Direction for Specific Water Infrastructure, Flood, Wastewater, and Supply Projects and Grants Funded in House Bill 500.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 500 or similar legislation relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding appropriations by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Water Development Board shall use \$581,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund appropriated in HB 500, Section 6.02(c), to provide funding for the following infrastructure, flood, wastewater, and supply projects in the following amounts:

- (1) Unexpended balance authority remaining from appropriations made in the General Appropriations Act, 88th Legislature, Article IX, Sec. 17.42, Accumulated Siltation at Lake Houston, (estimated to be \$50,000,000) is appropriated for the same purpose;
- (2) \$100,000,000 for Lynchburg Pump Station;
- (3) \$54,000,000 for Cypress Ditch Regional Flood Mitigation Project;
- (4) \$12,700,000 for City of Brownsville Direct Potable Reuse Project;
- (5) \$15,000,000 for Delta Region Water Management Project;
- (6) \$4,000,000 for Nueces County Drainage District #2;
- (7) \$34,558,000 for Banco Morales Reservoir Surplus Water Impound;
- (8) \$5,300,000 for City of Alamo Lift Station Upgrades;
- (9) \$2,500,000 for Greens Bayou Watershed Channel Improvements;
- (10) \$15,000,000 for Helms Stormwater Detention Basin Conveyance Project;
- (11) \$60,000,000 for Lake Livingston Dam Improvement;
- (12) \$25,000,000 for Waller County Regional Stormwater Detention Basin;
- (13) \$14,000,000 for El Paso Surface Water El Paso Water Augmentation Project;
- (14) \$2,500,000 for Aldine Westfield Storm Water Detention Basin;
- (15) \$15,000,000 for Bay City Wastewater Treatment Plant;
- (16) \$12,000,000 for Jackson County Drainage;
- (17) \$10,000,000 for Lower Clear Creek Watershed Flood Project;
- (18) \$5,000,000 for Kingwood Diversion Ditch Improvements;
- (19) \$10,000,000 for Marion County Water and Sewer Water Infrastructure;
- (20) \$20,000,000 for Amarillo Wastewater Treatment Plant Facilities;
- (21) \$22,500,000 for Cypress Creek Watershed Flood Mitigation Project #1;
- (22) \$11,000,000 for Carpenters Bayou Watershed Improvements;
- (23) \$5,000,000 for Spring Shadows Drainage and Paving Project;
- (24) \$17,000,000 for Ector County Water Supply Project;
- (25) \$750,000 for City of Penita Lift Station;
- (26) \$8,000,000 for City of Weslaco Water and Drainage Improvements;
- (27) \$15,000,000 for City of Conroe Water Wells;
- (28) \$6,500,000 for West Little York Detention Basin Completion;
- (29) \$4,750,000 for Mapping and Line Locates for small rural water utilities serving 1,100 or fewer customers;
- (30) \$30,000,000 for Nueces River Ground Water Wells;
- (31) \$16,000,000 for Mary Rhodes Pipeline Upgrades;
- (32) \$10,000,000 for South Mayde Creek Bypass Channel;
- (33) \$11,942,000 for Heather Glen Water Line Replacements; and
- (34) \$6,000,000 for Airline Improvement District Water Infrastructure.

**H.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.19. Department of Transportation: Direction for Aviation Services Funded in House Bill 500.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 500 or similar legislation relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding appropriations by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Transportation shall use \$106,800,000 from the General Revenue Fund appropriated in HB 500, Section 7.03, to provide funding for the following projects in the following amounts:

- (1) \$10,000,000 for South Texas International Airport;
- (2) \$14,800,000 for McKinney National Airport;
- (3) \$8,000,000 for Emergency and First Responder Airport Facilities;
- (4) \$14,000,000 for Athens Municipal Airport;

- (5) \$10,000,000 for Weslaco Mid-Valley Airport Runway Expansion.
- (6) Unexpended balance authority remaining from appropriations made in the General Appropriations Act, 88th Legislature, Article IX, Sec. 17.40, Emergency and First Responder Airport Facilities, (estimated to be \$0), is appropriated for the same purpose;
- (7) \$40,000,000 for Reese Airport Upgrades; and
- (8) \$10,000,000 for East Texas Regional Airport Upgrades.

**I.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.20. Appropriation for Property Tax Relief.** Included in amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act is a reduction of \$3,160,207,335 in General Revenue funds for border security and an increase of \$3,160,207,335 in the transfer of General Revenue to the Property Tax Relief Fund for purposes of property tax relief.

**J.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.21. Infrastructure Construction, Beacon Healthcare and Research and Development in the Permian Basin Region.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) is appropriated \$123,321,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.2.1, Facilities Design and Construction, for the purpose of designing, constructing, and project management of infrastructure to support Beacon Healthcare and research and development in the Permian Basin region. TFC, in accordance with Government Code, Section 2152.003, may accept gift, grants, and donations of money or property from any source for any lawful public purpose related to the Commission. Such funds donated to support the construction project identified in this rider are not subject to limitations on capital budget expenditures as contained in Article IX or any other similar provision in this Act. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article IX, Section 14.01, Appropriation Transfers, funds appropriated for this purpose may not be used for any other purpose.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances of the appropriations identified in this rider remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**K.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.22. Shell Bottom Boat Ramp.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is appropriated \$850,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.2.2, Boating Access and Other Grants, for the Shell Bottom Boat Ramp in Clear Lake Shores. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**L.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.23. Network Adequacy at Texas Department of Insurance.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Department of Insurance is appropriated \$1,000,000 from General Revenue-Dedicated Account No. 36 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy E.1.2, Information Resources, for the purpose of maintaining network adequacy. The agency's capital budget authority is increased by \$1,000,000. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.24. Texas State Almanac.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Historical Commission is appropriated \$115,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year

2026 in Strategy A.3.1, Evaluate/Interpret Resources, for the purpose of printing the Texas State Almanac. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.25. Water Development Board: Research and Planning.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Water Development Board is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund \$3,750,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,750,000 in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy A.2.1, Technical Assistance and Modeling, and 2.0 FTEs each fiscal year that shall be used for the purpose of implementing grants to groundwater conservation districts to conduct projects and programs for groundwater research, science, and data collection that benefit local groundwater management and planning.

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.26. Federally Recognized Senior Military College Leadership and Teaching Initiative.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Military Department is appropriated \$1,450,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy C.1.2, State Military Tuition Assistance, to establish a leadership and teaching initiative in coordination with certain federally recognized senior military colleges.

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.27. Together We Learn Community Safety Education Expansion.** In addition to funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) is appropriated \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for fiscal year 2027 for the expansion of the "Together We Learn" Program. Funds shall be used to provide enhanced traffic and pedestrian stop safety education in partnership with law enforcement agencies, with priority given to schools serving high-risk or underresourced communities. DPS shall submit a report to the Legislative Budget Board by December 1, 2027, detailing the total number of students educated through the program, impact on student knowledge, perceptions of law enforcement interactions, and recommendations for expanding the program statewide.

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.28. Health and Human Services Capacity for Mental Health Services and Inpatient Facilities in El Paso.** Unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Section 3.02(a)(13), Chapter 458 (S.B. 30), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act), from the general revenue fund to the Health and Human Services Commission may not be used for pre-planning, planning, land acquisition, or initial construction of a new El Paso State Hospital.

Instead all unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Section 2.02, H.B. 500, Acts of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act) shall only be used for the land or building acquisition, construction, and operation of facilities related to crisis services, including crisis stabilization, extended observation, crisis respite, and other related services in El Paso.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.29. Forensic Cold Case Investigation Report.** Out of funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Department of Public Safety and the Office of the Attorney General shall each issue a report on cold case investigations and resolutions to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2026. The report shall include the total number of unsolved cold cases involving violent crimes by the agency, the number of cold case investigations opened by the agency, the number of cold case investigations solved



by the agency, and any other information deemed relevant to improving cold case investigative capabilities.

S. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.30. Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Program.**

- (a) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is appropriated \$60,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy I.1.1, Integrated Eligibility & Enrollment, to administer the implementation of the Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (Summer EBT) program for fiscal year 2027. HHSC shall operate as the lead agency to administer the program and, in consultation with the Department of Agriculture and the Texas Education Agency, work with and submit a plan to the Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to administer Summer EBT.
- (b) Implementation of this program and the appropriation identified above in subsection (a) is contingent upon federal law and federal rules regarding the Summer EBT program maintaining the same match rates for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits and program administration as approved as of May 30, 2025. If federal matching rates for the program or administration of the program are changed in a manner that result in a higher cost to Texas from the match rates in place on May 30, 2025, this appropriation is void.
- (c) If the SNAP match rates for either benefits or program administration are revised from federal May 30, 2025, levels, HHSC must inform the Legislative Budget Board, House Appropriations Committee, Senate Finance Committee, and the Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA) within 30 calendar days of the revision.
- (d) In the event that rates for SNAP benefits or program administration are reduced as described in subsection (b), the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall reduce any remaining appropriation authority provided by the Act for this purpose within five business days of notification as described in subsection (c).

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.31. Health and Human Services Commission: Austin State Hospital.**

- (a) All unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Section 8.40, Chapter 458 (S.B. 30), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act), from the Economic Stabilization Fund to the Health and Human Services Commission to finish construction of a 240-bed replacement campus of the Austin State Hospital (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the commission for the same purpose for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2025.
- (b) During the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act, in addition to the capital budget authority other law grants to the commission during that period, the Health and Human Services Commission may use the amount of the appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this section in capital budget authority for that appropriation.

U. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.32. Health and Human Services Commission: Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital.**

- (a) All unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Section 8.42, Chapter 458 (S.B. 30), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act), from the Economic Stabilization Fund to the Health and Human Services Commission to begin preplanning and planning efforts of a new state hospital in the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area, including the acquisition of land for that purpose (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the commission for the same purpose for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2025.

- (b) All unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Section 3.02(a)(3), Chapter 458 (S.B. 30), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act), from the General Revenue Fund to the Health and Human Services Commission Facility Capital Repairs and Renovation, for additional construction funding for the 200-bed adult unit at the new state hospital in Dallas, Texas, with at least 75 percent of the beds to be used for forensic purposes (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the commission for the same purpose for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2025.
- (c) During the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act, in addition to the capital budget authority other law grants to the commission during that period, the Health and Human Services Commission may use the amount of the appropriation made under Subsections (a) and (b) of this section in capital budget authority for those appropriations.

V. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.33. Health and Human Services Commission: Statewide Business Enablement Platform Project.**

- (a) All unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Section 8.30, Chapter 458 (S.B. 30), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act), from the General Revenue Fund (estimated to be \$0) and from Federal Funds (estimated to be \$0) to the Health and Human Services Commission for the systemwide business enablement platform project are appropriated to the commission for the same purpose for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2025.
- (b) During the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act, in addition to the capital budget authority other law grants to the commission during that period, the Health and Human Services Commission may use the amount of the appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this section in capital budget authority for that appropriation.

W. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 17.34. Health and Human Services Commission: State of Texas Automated Information Reporting System (STAIRS) Enhancements.**

- (a) All unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of the effective date of this Act from appropriations made by Health and Human Services Commission Rider 2, Subsection c(29), Chapter 1170 (H.B. 1), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023 (the General Appropriations Act), from the General Revenue Fund (estimated to be \$0) and from Federal Funds (estimated to be \$0) to the Health and Human Services Commission for STAIRS enhancements are appropriated to the commission for the same purpose for the biennium beginning on September 1, 2025.
- (b) During the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act, in addition to the capital budget authority other law grants to the commission during that period, the Health and Human Services Commission may use the amount of the appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this section in capital budget authority for that appropriation.

**CLXXIII. OTHER APPROPRIATIONS**

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to exceed the highest or be less than the lowest of items of appropriation that are contained in the House and Senate versions of the bill in different amounts to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
General Revenue Fund	\$ 169,786,000	\$ 6,200,000

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Match for SNAP Administration Account No. 8014	\$ 0	\$ 60,000,000

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
GR Dedicated - Texas Department of Insurance Operating Fund Account No. 036	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 0

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Judicial Fund No. 573	\$ 0	\$ 0

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Other Special State Funds	\$ 0	\$ 0

**F.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (2) to allow the Conference Committee to omit text which is not in disagreement which read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to delete items of appropriation that are in both versions to read as follows:

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
Dementia Prevention and Research Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0

**CLXXIV. CONTINGENCY AND OTHER PROVISIONS**

**A.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.01. Contingency for House Bill 18.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 18, or similar legislation relating to the establishment and administration of certain programs and services providing health care services to rural counties, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the following adjustments are made to implement the provisions of the legislation:

- (a) The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) bill pattern:
  - (1) In addition to appropriations made elsewhere in this Act, increase funding by \$53,540,290 from the General Revenue Fund and increase the number of “full-time-equivalents (FTE)” by 10.0 in fiscal year 2026 and \$43,540,290 from the General Revenue Fund and increase the number of FTEs by 10.0 in fiscal year 2027.
  - (2) Make the following changes to Strategy Appropriations:
    - (A) In Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, increase appropriations by \$3,045,000 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,537,171 from Federal Funds in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,045,000 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,535,284 from Federal Funds in fiscal year 2027.
    - (B) Add new Strategy D.4.1, Rural Hospital Stabilization & Innovation, with appropriation amount of \$61,955,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.

- (i) Reduce appropriations from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.1.10, Additional Specialty Care, by \$959,710 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.
  - (ii) Reduce appropriations from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy F.3.3, Additional Advocacy Programs, by \$25,000,000 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.
- (C) In Strategy L.1.1, HHS System Supports, increase appropriations by \$4,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund and 10.0 FTEs in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.
- (3) Amend Rider 8, Hospital Payments as follows:

**Hospital Payments.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) in Strategy A.1.1, Medicaid Client Services, is \$151,268,452 from the General Revenue Fund, \$80,127,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$339,228,636 from Federal Funds (\$570,624,968 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$154,222,280 from the General Revenue Fund, \$80,127,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$342,885,646 from Federal Funds (\$577,235,806 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to provide Medicaid hospital add-on payments for trauma care and safety-net hospitals and add-on payments and rate increases for rural hospitals as follows:

- (a) \$73,044,000 from Interagency Contracts and \$106,956,000 from Federal Funds (\$180,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$73,134,000 from Interagency Contracts and \$106,866,000 from Federal Funds (\$180,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for trauma care;
- (b) \$53,786,120 from the General Revenue Fund, \$7,083,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$89,130,000 from Federal Funds (\$150,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$53,951,120 from the General Revenue Fund, \$6,993,880 from Interagency Contracts, and \$89,055,000 from Federal Funds (\$150,000,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for safety-net hospitals;
- (c) \$26,945,120 from the General Revenue Fund and \$39,454,880 from Federal Funds (\$66,400,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$26,978,320 from the General Revenue Fund and \$39,421,680 from Federal Funds (\$66,400,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for rural hospitals to maintain increases and add-ons related to general outpatient reimbursement rates, outpatient emergency department services that do not qualify as emergency visits, the outpatient hospital imaging services fee schedule, and the outpatient clinical laboratory services fee schedule;
- (d) \$11,849,360 from the General Revenue Fund and \$17,350,640 from Federal Funds (\$29,200,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$13,611,050 from the General Revenue Fund and \$19,888,950 from Federal Funds (\$33,500,000 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for rural hospitals to maintain inpatient rates trended forward from 2013 to 2020 using an inflationary factor;
- (e) \$5,541,749 from the General Revenue Fund and \$8,114,607 from Federal Funds (\$13,656,356 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,723,199 from the General Revenue Fund and \$8,362,941 from Federal Funds (\$14,086,140 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for rural hospitals to maintain increases to inpatient rates in addition to those identified in Subsection (d);
- (f) \$24,753,594 from the General Revenue Fund and \$36,245,899 from Federal Funds (\$60,999,493 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$25,378,912 from the General Revenue Fund and \$37,084,569 from Federal Funds (\$62,463,481 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 to maintain increases in reimbursement for Medicaid services provided by rural hospitals;
- (g) \$12,779,889 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,713,184 from Federal Funds (\$31,493,073 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,795,636 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,697,437 from Federal Funds (\$31,493,073 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for HHSC to maintain a \$1,500 Medicaid add-on payment for labor and delivery services provided by rural hospitals;
- (h) \$12,567,620 from the General Revenue Fund and \$18,726,255 from Federal Funds (\$31,293,875 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,739,043 from the General

Revenue Fund and \$18,973,785 from Federal Funds (\$31,712,828 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for HHSC to increase reimbursement for Medicaid inpatient and outpatient services provided by rural hospitals; and

- (i) \$3,045,000 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,537,171 from Federal Funds (\$7,582,171 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,045,000 from the General Revenue Funds and \$4,535,284 from Federal Funds (\$7,580,284 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2027 for a Medicaid add-on payment for rural hospitals that have a department of obstetrics and gynecology.

HHSC shall develop a methodology to implement the add-on payments pursuant to funding identified in Subsection (b) that targets the state's safety-net hospitals, including those hospitals that treat high percentages of Medicaid and low-income, uninsured patients. Total reimbursement for each hospital shall not exceed its hospital specific limit.

For purposes of this provision, rural hospitals are defined as (1) hospitals located in a county with 68,750 or fewer persons according to the 2020 U.S. Census; or (2) a hospital designated by Medicare as a Critical Access Hospital (CAH), a Sole Community Hospital (SCH), or a Rural Referral Center (RRC) that is not located in a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA); or (3) a hospital that has 100 or fewer beds, is designated by Medicare as a CAH, a SCH, or a RRC, and is located in an MSA. No reimbursement may exceed the hospital specific limit and reimbursement for outpatient emergency department services that do not qualify as emergency visits may not exceed 65 percent of cost.

To the extent possible, HHSC shall ensure any funds identified in this rider that are included in Medicaid managed care capitation rates are distributed by the managed care organizations to the hospitals. The expenditure of funds identified in this rider that are not used for targeted increases to hospital provider rates as outlined above shall require the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board.

- (4) Amend Rider 66, Rural Hospital Grant Program as follows:

**Rural Hospital Grant Program.**

- (a) **Informational Listing.** Included in amounts appropriated above to HHSC is \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in Strategy D.4.1, Rural Hospital Stabilization & Innovation, to provide Rural Hospital Stabilization Grants; \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in D.4.1, Rural Hospital Stabilization & Innovation, to provide Rural Hospital Innovation Grants; \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in Strategy D.4.1, Rural Hospital Stabilization & Innovation, related to the Pediatric Tele-Connectivity Resource Program; \$1,955,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year in Strategy D.4.1, Rural Hospital Stabilization & Innovation, related to Rural Hospital Financial Officers Academy; and \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund (\$5,202,558 from All Funds) and 10.0 “full-time-equivalents (FTE)” in Strategy L.1.1, HHS System Supports in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund (\$5,185,218 from All Funds) and 10.0 FTEs; to administer the Rural Hospital Grant Program.
- (b) **Application Process:** It is the intent of the Legislature that in making awards under the Rural Hospital Grant Program, HHSC must reduce any unnecessary or overly burdensome requirements on rural hospital grant applicants, or the internal processes required to post a solicitation for applications for the Rural Hospital Grant Program. HHSC shall, at a minimum, review and revise current grant policies, procedures, and templates in a manner that expedites the solicitation process and reduces the administrative burden to rural hospital grant applicants and grantees. The review must include a determination of the applicability to grants of required terms, conditions, requirements, and clauses in the Texas Procurement and Contract Management Guide and eliminate any that are not expressly statutorily required and applicable.
- (c) **Unexpended Balance Authority within the Biennium.** Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (d) **Grant Deadline:** All funds shall be awarded by August 31, 2027.
- (e) Funding for the rural hospital financial officer’s academy in subsection (a) may be used to provide lodging and meals for program participants and to develop course curriculum.

- (b) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) bill pattern:

- (1) In addition to appropriations made elsewhere in this Act, increase funding by \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy D.1.7, Child Mental Health Care Consortium, in fiscal year 2026.
- (2) Amend Rider 38, Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium as follows:

**Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium.**

- (a) **Appropriation.** Included in the amounts appropriated above in strategy D.1.7, Child Mental Health Care Consortium, is \$150,700,177 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$140,700,175 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027. Also included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy D.1.7, Child Mental Health Care Consortium is all unexpended balances as of August 31, 2025, to be used for the same purpose for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025 (estimated to be \$0 from the General Revenue Fund).
- (b) **Programs.** At the direction of the Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium (TCMHCC), the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) shall transfer appropriations through interagency contracts with health-related institutions for the following programs:

Program	2026	2027
Child Psychiatry Access Network (CPAN)	\$ 18,190,105	\$ 18,190,105
Texas Child Access Through Telemedicine (TCHAT)	\$ 80,313,031	\$ 80,313,030
Workforce Expansion	\$ 16,228,567	\$ 16,228,567
Rural Texas Pediatric Mental Health Access	\$ 10,000,000	\$ UB
CAP Fellowships	\$ 7,168,644	\$ 7,168,644
Coordinated Research	\$ 14,790,355	\$ 14,790,354
Central Operation Support Hub	\$ 1,836,768	\$ 1,836,768
External Evaluation	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Administration	\$ 1,672,707	\$ 1,672,707

- (c) **Administration and Oversight.** Not later than September 1, 2025, out of funds referenced in Subsection (b) of this rider, THECB shall execute interagency and other contracts to transfer \$1,672,707 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,672,707 in fiscal year 2027 to an institution of higher education designated by TCMHCC for oversight and evaluation of the outlined initiatives. THECB may employ, using existing resources, one additional FTE in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to oversee the transfer.
- (d) **Transfers and LBB Approval.** TCMHCC may transfer up to 10 percent of funds between programs referenced in Subsection (b) of this rider. If TCMHCC needs to transfer more than 10 percent of funds between programs, TCMHCC shall seek approval from the Legislative Budget Board (LBB). The request shall be considered approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 10 business days.
- (e) **Unexpended Balances.** Any unexpended balances remaining at THECB or any participating institution of higher education which may have received a transfer of this appropriation as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.
- (f) TCMHCC shall utilize TCHAT to identify and assess behavioral health needs and provide access to mental health services, with a focus on the behavioral health needs of at-risk children and adolescents. TCMHCC shall explore opportunities for third-party reimbursement for any other necessary services delivered beyond four TCHAT sessions or to address any broader needs, including through Medicaid, CHIP, a private health plan, and school-based reimbursement.

(c) Add the following rider to Article IX, General Provisions, Section 10.06

**Sec. 10.06. Informational Listing: Improving Healthcare in Rural Texas.**

The following is an informational listing of appropriations from the General Revenue Fund related to the Rural Hospital Grant Program made elsewhere in this Act.

	2026	2027
Health and Human Services Commission		
Medicaid Maternal Health Add-on Payments	\$ 3,045,000	\$ 3,045,000
Pediatric Tele-Connectivity Resource Program	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000
Rural Hospital Stabilization Grants	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000
Rural Hospital Innovation Grants	\$ 25,000,000	\$ 25,000,000
Rural Hospital Financial Officers Academy	\$ 1,955,000	\$ 1,955,000
Administration	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000
 Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board		
Rural Texas Pediatric Mental Health Care Access	\$ 10,000,000	\$ UB
 <b>Total</b>	 <b>\$ 80,000,000</b>	 <b>\$ 70,000,000</b>

**B.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.02. Contingency for House Bill 21.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 21, or similar legislation relating to housing finance corporations; authorizing a fee, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Department of Housing and Community Affairs is appropriated \$228,228 for fiscal year 2026 and \$228,228 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 1.0 FTE in each fiscal year.

**C.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.03. Contingency for House Bill 33.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 33, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of a grant program to provide financial assistance to first responders and telecommunicators for the purpose of attending an active attack integrated response training course, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor is appropriated \$20,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, to provide grants related to the provisions of the bill.

**D.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.04. Contingency for House Bill 37.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 37, or similar legislation relating to perinatal bereavement care provided by certain hospitals, a perinatal bereavement care initiative, and a perinatal bereavement care hospital recognition program, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of State Health Services is appropriated \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy B.1.1, Maternal and Child Health, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**E.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.05. Contingency for House Bill 43.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 43, or similar legislation, relating to the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority and certain programs administered by the authority by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) the comptroller of public accounts shall immediately transfer the amount of \$100,000,000 from the general revenue fund to the credit of the Texas Agricultural Fund No. 683 to implement the provisions of House Bill 43, or similar legislation; and
- (b) the Department of Agriculture is appropriated \$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the Texas Agricultural Fund No. 683 in Strategy A.1.1, Trade & Economic Development, to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

F. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.06. Contingency for House Bill 47.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 47, or similar legislation relating to sexual assault and other sex offenses, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Office of the Attorney General is appropriated in Strategy C.1.1, Crime Victims' Compensation, \$1,468,784 for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,482,899 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue-Dedicated Compensation to Victims of Crime Account No. 469 to implement the provisions of the legislation.

G. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.07. Contingency for House Bill 48 or Senate Bill 1320.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 48, Senate Bill 1320, or similar legislation relating to the creation of an organized oilfield theft prevention unit within the Department of Public Safety, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Public Safety is appropriated \$1,347,457 and 4.0 full-time equivalents in fiscal year 2026 and \$643,648 and 4.0 full-time equivalents in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation.

H. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.08. Contingency for House Bill 103.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 103, or similar legislation relating to the creation and maintenance of a database of taxing unit bond, tax, and bond-related project information; providing a civil penalty, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated \$1,150,170 in fiscal year 2026, and \$70,170 in fiscal year 2027, from the General Revenue Fund, in Strategy A.3.1, Taxpayer Information, to implement the provisions of the legislation. Additionally, the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)" is increased by 1.0 in each fiscal year.

I. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.09. Contingency for House Bill 107.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 107, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of the sickle cell disease registry, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of State Health Services is appropriated \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to implement the provisions of the legislation. Capital budget authority is increased by \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026. Any unobligated or unexpended balances of these appropriations remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026 for the same purpose.

J. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.10. Contingency for House Bill 112.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 112, or similar legislation relating to the creation and operation of a science park district in certain counties, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor shall use funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act to implement the provisions of the legislation.

K. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.11. Contingency for House Bill 142.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 142, or similar legislation relating to the Health and Human Services Commission's office of inspector general, the review of certain Medicaid claims, and the recovery of certain overpayments under Medicaid, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Health and Human Services Commission is appropriated \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund, \$2,500,000 from Federal Funds, and increase the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents by 3.0 in each fiscal year of the biennium in Strategy K.1.1, Office of the Inspector General, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

L. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.12. Contingency for House Bill 144.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 144, or similar legislation relating to plans for the management and inspection of distribution poles, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$833,564 for fiscal year 2026 and \$833,564 for fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to



implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 7.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 2027 to implement the provision of the legislation.

**M.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.13. Contingency for House Bill 150 or Senate Bill 2176.** Contingent upon enactment of House Bill 150, Senate Bill 2176, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of the Texas Cyber Command, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, \$135,536,236 from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated to the Department of Information Resources in fiscal year 2026 to enact the provisions of the legislation and the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" are increased by 38.0 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium. The Department shall conduct any transfers of these funds and FTEs as required by the provisions of the legislation, and any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Department for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**N.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.14. Contingency for House Bill 451.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 451, or similar legislation relating to a screening for the risk of commercial sexual exploitation of certain children, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Family and Protective Services is appropriated \$692,140 from General Revenue Funds and \$90,466 from Federal Funds for fiscal year 2026 and \$434,662 from General Revenue Funds and \$58,900 from Federal Funds for fiscal year 2027 for one-time costs to implement the provisions of the legislation. Capital budget authority is increased by \$681,950 in fiscal year 2026 and \$461,967 in fiscal year 2027.

**O.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.15. Contingency for House Bill 1422.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 1422, or similar legislation relating to the rights of victims of sexual assault and other sex offenses, the offense of continuous sexual abuse, and the prosecution, punishment, and collateral consequences of certain sex offenses, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Public Safety shall use funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Crime Laboratory Services, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**P.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.16. Contingency for House Bill 1481.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 1481, or similar legislation relating to school district and open-enrollment charter school policies regarding student use of personal communication devices, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Education Agency is appropriated \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to institute a grant program to assist school district and open-enrollment charter school with the implementation of the provisions of the legislation.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**Q.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.17. Contingency for House Bill 2243.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2243, or similar legislation relating to the creation of the Texas Commission on Teacher Job Satisfaction and Retention, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, out of amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Texas Education Agency shall implement the provisions of the legislation.

**R.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.18. Contingency for House Bill 2529.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2529 or similar legislation, relating to the annual state salary supplement for certain county judges, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Judiciary Section, is appropriated \$885,000 in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the bill.

**S.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.19. Contingency for House Bill 2563.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2563, Senate Bill 2510, or similar legislation relating to establishment of the temporary certified and insured prescribed burn manager self-insurance pool and authorizing a fee, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas A&M Forest Service is appropriated \$2,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation.

T. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.20. Contingency for House Bill 149, House Bill 2818, or Senate Bill 1964.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 149, House Bill 2818, Senate Bill 1964, or similar legislation relating to artificial intelligence at the Department of Information Resources, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Information Resources is appropriated \$2,941,186 for fiscal year 2026, and \$4,413,833 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation. Additionally, the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" is increased by 9.0 in each fiscal year. Any unexpended and unobligated balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated to the Department of Information Resources for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purposes.

U. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.21. Contingency for House Bill 3204.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 3204, Senate Bill 1878, or similar legislation relating to the Polytechnic College at Sam Houston State University by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, Sam Houston State University is appropriated \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)" in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 20 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 20 FTEs in fiscal year 2027. Any unexpended or unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

V. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.22. Contingency for House Bill 3229.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 3229, or similar legislation by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, relating to recycling of certain renewable energy components, and authorizing an administrative penalty, the Commission on Environmental Quality shall implement the provisions of the legislation out of amounts appropriated to the agency elsewhere in this Act.

W. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.23. Contingency for House Bill 3260.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 3260, or similar legislation relating to the Texas Industry-Recognized Apprenticeship Programs Grant Program, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) The Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer, via an interagency contract, \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium from Strategy C.1.3, Texas BDO State Funds, to the Texas Workforce Commission for Strategy B.2.1, Apprenticeship.
- (b) The Texas Workforce Commission shall use \$5,000,000 in interagency contracts from the Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts in each fiscal year of the biennium, for Strategy B.2.1, Apprenticeship, to expand the Texas Industry-Recognized Apprenticeship Programs Grant Program for the sole purpose of reimbursing eligible employers who participate in a broadband utility engineering and/or construction program.

X. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.24. Contingency for House Bill 3526.** Contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 3526, or similar legislation relating to fiscal transparency for bonds issued by local government entities, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Bond Review Board is appropriated \$193,435 in fiscal year 2026 and \$63,435 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund, and the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" indicated in the bill pattern is increased by 1.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the bill.

**Y.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.25. Contingency for House Bill 3560.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 3560, or similar legislation relating to the licensing of mental hospitals and mental health facilities and the definition of facility for the purposes of the Employee Misconduct Registry by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the following adjustments are made to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to implement the provisions of the legislation:

- (a) HHSC is appropriated \$1,404,357 from the General Revenue Fund (\$2,083,493 from All Funds) in fiscal year 2026, as one-time costs, related to updating the Employee Misconduct Registry system, websites, and databases to account for the new provider type and 2.0 “full-time-equivalents (FTEs)” in each fiscal year; and
- (b) Capital budget authority for HHSC is increased by \$2,083,493 for fiscal year 2026, as one-time costs, for capital expenses related to technology system upgrades.

**Z.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.26. Contingency for House Bill 3711.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 3711, or similar legislation relating to investigation and prosecution of certain open meetings offenses as offenses against public administration and the publication of certain information regarding the prosecution of those offenses, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Public Safety shall use funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act in Strategy A.2.2, Texas Rangers, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.27. Contingency for House Bill 4215.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 4215, or similar legislation relating to the regulation of delivery network companies; requiring an occupational permit; authorizing a fee, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Licensing and Regulation is appropriated \$80,000 for fiscal year 2026 in General Revenue Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.28. Contingency for House Bill 4537 and Senate Bill 1737.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 1737, House Bill 4537, or similar legislation relating to service retirement benefits payable by the Employees Retirement System of Texas to certain law enforcement officers and custodial officers, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Employees Retirement System of Texas is appropriated \$38,368,132 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,868,132 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund, \$38,360 in fiscal year 2026 and \$38,360 in fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue-Dedicated Funds, and \$11,508 in fiscal year 2026 and \$11,508 in fiscal year 2027 in Federal Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.29. Contingency for House Bill 5155.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 5155, or similar legislation relating to the continuation of the maternal opioid misuse model of care for certain Medicaid recipients, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Health and Human Services Commission is appropriated the following amounts in Strategy D.2.2, Substance Use Services, to implement the provisions of the legislation:

- (a) \$600,000 from the General Revenue - Dedicated Opioid Abatement Account No. 5189 in fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 from the General Revenue - Dedicated Opioid Abatement Account No. 5189 in fiscal year 2027 to continue implementing the maternal opioid model in care in locations currently served by the program; and
- (b) \$750,000 from the General Revenue - Dedicated Opioid Abatement Account No. 5189 in fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 from the General Revenue - Dedicated Opioid Abatement Account No. 5189 in fiscal year 2027 to implement the maternal opioid misuse model of care in Dallas County.

**AD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.30. Contingency for House Bill 5333.** Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 5333 or similar legislation relating to the creation of the STEM Excellence Graduate Fellowship Program by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Higher Education Coordinating Board is appropriated \$2,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended or unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.31. Contingency for Senate Bill 3.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 3, or similar legislation relating to the regulation of consumable hemp products and the hemp-derived cannabinoids contained in those products; requiring a registration; imposing fees; creating criminal offenses; providing an administrative penalty, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of State Health Services shall use funds appropriated above to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.32. Contingency for Senate Bill 6.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 6, or similar legislation relating to the planning for, interconnection and operation of, and costs related to providing service for certain electrical loads, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$1,037,423 for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,037,423 for fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents” (FTEs) in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 9.0 FTE in fiscal year 2026 and 9.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027.

**AG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.33. Contingency for Senate Bill 7 and House Bill 500.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 7 (SB 7), or similar legislation, relating to the oversight and financing of certain water infrastructure matters under the jurisdiction of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), and contingent on enactment of House Bill 500 (HB 500), or similar legislation, relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding appropriations, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) The TWDB shall transfer \$13,000,000 in General Revenue Funds from amounts appropriated in HB 500, Section 6.02(a), Water Infrastructure Development and Supply, to the Texas Water Fund Administrative Fund (TWFAF) created by SB 7.
- (b) The TWDB is appropriated \$4,668,158 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,782,558 in fiscal year 2027 from the TWFAF and the “Number of Full-time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 34.0 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for the purposes of administering the Texas Water Fund (TWF), carrying out conveyance responsibilities, and covering any other necessary expenditures to implement the provisions of the legislation.
- (c) Contingent upon TWDB entering into an agreement with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) as authorized by SB 7 to pay for the necessary and reasonable TCEQ staffing expenses related to the review of permit applications for water supply projects receiving financial assistance from the TWF, the TCEQ is appropriated \$929,860 in fiscal year 2026 and \$853,360 in fiscal year 2027 from the TWFAF and the “Number of Full-time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 9.0 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium.
- (d) Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, from appropriations made in subsections (b) and (c) above are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.34. Contingency for Senate Bill 8.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 8, or similar legislation relating to agreements between sheriffs and the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement to enforce federal immigration law, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) The Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated \$747,727 in fiscal year 2026, and \$423,727

in fiscal year 2027, from the General Revenue Fund, in Strategy B.1.1, Accounting/ Reporting, to implement the provisions of the legislation. Additionally, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” is increased by 5.0 in each fiscal year.

- (b) The Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund, in Strategy A.1.14, County Law Enforcement, to award grants in accordance with the legislation. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**AI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.35. Contingency for Senate Bill 12.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 12, or similar legislation relating to relating to parental rights in public education, to the creation of the office of inspector general at the Texas Education Agency (TEA), to certain public school requirements and prohibitions regarding instruction and diversity, equity, and inclusion duties, and to the reporting of certain abuse and neglect by public schools and public school employees, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, TEA is appropriated \$761,542 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,281,806 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation. Contingent on enactment of any of the above legislation, the limitation on full-time-equivalent (FTEs) positions for TEA shall be increased by 4.0 for each fiscal year of the biennium.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**AJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.36. Contingency for Senate Bill 14.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 14, or similar legislation relating to reforming the procedure by which state agencies adopt rules and impose regulatory requirements and the deference given to the interpretation of laws and rules by state agencies in certain judicial proceedings, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor is appropriated \$4,573,841 for fiscal year 2026 and \$3,543,359 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to a new Strategy C.1.2, Texas Regulatory Efficiency Office, and the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)” indicated in the bill pattern is increased by 18.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.37. Contingency for Senate Bill 16.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 16, House Bill 5337, or similar legislation relating to requiring proof of citizenship to register to vote, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Secretary of State is appropriated \$741,080 in fiscal year 2026 and \$230,179 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration, and the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 2.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation. Capital budget authority is increased by \$503,931 for fiscal year 2026 and \$84,000 for fiscal year 2027.

**AL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.38. Contingency for Senate Bill 21.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 21, or similar legislation relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas Strategic Bitcoin Reserve for the purpose of investing in cryptocurrency and the investment authority of the Comptroller of Public Accounts over the reserve and certain other state funds, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund for deposit to the Texas Strategic Bitcoin Reserve.

**AM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.39. Contingency for Senate Bill 25.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 25, or similar legislation relating to health and nutrition standards to promote healthy living; authorizing a civil penalty, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of State Health Services is appropriated \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy C.1.1, Food (Meat) and Drug Safety, to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 17.0 in each fiscal year of the biennium.

**AN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.40. Contingency for Senate Bill 36 or Senate Bill 780.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 36 or Senate Bill 780, or similar legislation relating to the homeland security activities of certain entities, including the establishment and operations of the Homeland Security Division in the Department of Public Safety (DPS), by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, DPS is appropriated \$2,363,875 and 19.0 full-time equivalents in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,189,406 and 19.0 full-time equivalents in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.41. Contingency for Senate Bill 37.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 37, House Bill 4499, or similar legislation relating to the creation of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Office of the Ombudsman by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Higher Education Coordinating Board is appropriated \$1,273,886, from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,207,725 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 11.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 10.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027. Any unexpended or unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.42. Contingency for Senate Bill 75.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 75, House Bill 941, or similar legislation relating to the resilience of the electric grid and certain municipalities, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Division of Emergency Management is appropriated \$240,864 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$238,450 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 1.3 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 1.3 FTEs in fiscal year 2027.

**AQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.43. Contingency for Senate Bill 243.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 243, or similar legislation relating to the regulation of migrant labor housing facilities; changing the amount of a civil penalty, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Department of Housing and Community Affairs is appropriated \$535,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$535,000 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 3.0 FTEs in each fiscal year.

**AR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.44. Contingency for Senate Bill 249.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 249, or similar legislation relating to memorial markers for certain officers killed in the line of duty, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Department of Transportation is appropriated \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.45. Contingency for Senate Bill 379.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 379, or similar legislation relating to prohibiting the purchase of sweetened soft drinks under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission shall use funds appropriated in Strategy I.1.1, Integrated Eligibility & Enrollment, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AT.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.46. Contingency for Senate Bill 457.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 457, or

similar legislation relating to the regulation of certain nursing facilities, including licensing requirements and Medicaid participation and reimbursement requirements, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the following adjustments are made to the appropriations to the Health and Human Services Commission to implement the provisions of the legislation:

- (a) Appropriations to Strategy L.1.2, IT Oversight & Program Support, are increased by \$987,891 from the General Revenue Fund and \$477,192 from Federal Funds in fiscal year 2026 for one-time IT costs;
- (b) Appropriations to Strategy H.1.1 Facility/Community-Based Regulation, are increased by \$327,292 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$297,544 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027; and
- (c) The “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents” (FTEs) are increased by 3.0 in each fiscal year of the biennium.

**AU.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.47. Contingency for Senate Bill 502.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 502, or similar legislation relating to peace officers commissioned by the Health and Human Services Commission’s office of inspector general, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the following adjustments are made to the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to implement the provisions of the legislation:

- (a) HHSC is appropriated \$1,189,105 from the General Revenue Fund and \$132,123 from Federal Funds in each fiscal year of the biennium in Strategy K.1.1, Office of Inspector General, for compensation for peace officers;
- (b) HHSC is appropriated \$540,576 from the General Revenue Fund and \$71,843 from Federal Funds for fiscal year 2026 in Strategy L.1.2, IT Oversight & Program Support, for one-time upgrades to the Centralized Accounting and Payroll/Personnel System (CAPPS); and
- (c) Capital budget authority for HHSC is increased by \$612,419 for fiscal year 2026 for one-time costs.

**AV.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.48. Contingency for Senate Bill 503.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 503, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of an electronic registry of livestock marks and brands, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Animal Health Commission is appropriated \$2,198,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$928,000 for fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue to Strategy A.1.3., Promote Compliance, and the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the bill pattern is increased by 2.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the capital budget authority for the Commission is increased by \$1,935,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$685,000 in fiscal year 2027. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AW.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.49. Contingency for Senate Bill 513.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 513, or similar legislation relating to a rural community-based care pilot program, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Family and Protective Services is appropriated \$2,056,348 from General Revenue Funds for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,086,708 from General Revenue Funds for fiscal year 2027 for one-time costs to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**AX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.50. Contingency for Senate Bill 519.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 519, or similar legislation relating to the creation of a grant program to promote educational engagement with Texas history, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Historical Commission is appropriated \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to award grants pursuant to the provisions of the legislation.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**AY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.51. Contingency for Senate Bill 693.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 693, House Bill 3704, or similar legislation relating to the regulation of notaries public, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Secretary of State is appropriated \$600,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and \$186,237 for fiscal year 2026 and \$170,267 for fiscal year 2027 from Appropriated Receipts from fees collected from the offering of education courses as authorized by the bill to Strategy A.1.1, Document Filing to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 5.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended or unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**AZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.52. Contingency for Senate Bill 767.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 767, House Bill 2063, or similar legislation to creating a database of the firefighting equipment in the state available for use in responding to wildfires, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas A&M Forest Service is appropriated \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**BA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.53. Contingency for Senate Bill 843.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 843, or similar legislation relating to a Texas Education Agency database of school districts bonds, taxes, and bond-related projects, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Education Agency is appropriated \$3,000,000 in strategy B.3.5, Information Systems - Technology, in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**BB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.54. Contingency for Senate Bill 1008.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 1008, or similar legislation relating to state and local authority to regulate the food service industry, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of State Health Services is appropriated \$134,974 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$113,975 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy C.1.1, Food (Meat) and Drug Safety, to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)" in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 1.0 in each fiscal year of the biennium.

**BC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.55. Contingency for Senate Bill 1036.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1036, or similar legislation relating to the regulation of residential solar retail transactions; requiring an occupational registration; authorizing fees; providing civil and administrative penalties, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the State Office of Administrative Hearings is appropriated \$162,481 for fiscal year 2026 and \$151,619 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)” in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 1.5 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 2027 to implement the provision of the legislation.

**BD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.56. Contingency for Senate Bill 1145.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 1145, or similar legislation relating to the authority of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to issue permits for the land application of water produced from certain mining and oil and gas extraction operations, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the TCEQ is appropriated \$530,404 in fiscal year 2026 and \$439,104 in fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue-Dedicated Clean Air Account No. 151, \$95,451 in fiscal year 2026 and \$86,951 in fiscal year 2027 from General



Revenue-Dedicated Environmental Testing Laboratory Accreditation Account No. 5065, and the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)" in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 6.0 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**BE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.57. Contingency for Senate Bill 1150.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 1150, or similar legislation by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, relating to the plugging of and reporting on inactive wells subject to the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission of Texas; authorizing an administrative penalty, the Railroad Commission shall implement the provisions of the legislation out of amounts appropriated to the agency elsewhere in this Act.

**BF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.58. Contingency for Senate Bill 1361.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 1361, or similar legislation relating to the consolidation of the small business disaster recovery loan program and the micro-business disaster recovery loan program, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor is appropriated \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Small- and Micro-Business Recovery Account No. 5190 and for appropriation out of Account 5190 to implement the provisions of the bill.

**BG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.59. Contingency for Senate Bill 1398.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1398 or similar legislation relating to certain procedures in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship for a child placed in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services and the provision of family preservation services and community-based foster care, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Family and Protective Services is appropriated \$5,866 from the General Revenue Fund and \$510 from Federal Funds for fiscal year 2026 and \$436,721 from the General Revenue Fund and \$37,976 from Federal Funds for fiscal year 2027 for staffing costs and one-time technology costs to implement the provisions of the legislation. Additionally, the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" (FTEs) is increased by 1.0 FTE in each fiscal year of the biennium. Capital budget authority is increased by \$73,665 in fiscal year 2026 and \$35,692 in fiscal year 2027.

**BH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.60. Contingency for Senate Bill 1413.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1413, or similar legislation relating to the procedure for amending or revoking certificates of public convenience and necessity issued to certain water utilities, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$425,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$425,000 for fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" (FTEs) in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 3.0 FTE in fiscal year 2026 and 3.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027.

**BI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.61. Contingency for Senate Bill 1426.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1426, House Bill 3251, or similar legislation relating to the operation and management of the first state capitol historic site and replica by the Texas Historical Commission, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Historical Commission is appropriated \$2,450,145 for fiscal year 2026 and \$430,145 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and the "Number of Full-time Equivalents (FTE)" is increased by 4.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the capital budget authority is increased by \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2026.

**BJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.62. Contingency for Senate Bill 1467.** Contingent upon the enactment of Senate Bill 1467, or similar legislation relating to death records maintained by the vital statistics unit of the Department of State Health Services and provided to certain hospitals, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of State Health Services is appropriated \$143,521 from the General Revenue

Fund in fiscal year 2026 for one-time Information Technology (IT) costs; and \$99,391 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$122,267 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027, in Strategy A.1.2, Vital Statistics, to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)" in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 1.0 in each fiscal year of the biennium.

**BK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.63. Contingency for Senate Bill 1490.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1490, or similar legislation relating to adult high school charter program funding, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Education Agency is appropriated \$20,408,072 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation. Corresponding elements of Rider 3, Foundation School Program Funding, shall be adjusted accordingly.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**BL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.64. Contingency for Senate Bill 1620.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 1620, or similar legislation, relating to the establishment of the Texas forensic analyst apprenticeship pilot program by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Office of Court Administration is appropriated \$2,416,073 for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,416,073 for fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.65. Contingency for Senate Bill 1723.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1723, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of a rapid DNA analysis pilot program in certain counties, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Department of Public Safety is appropriated \$2,855,277 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,280,783 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BN.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.66. Contingency for Senate Bill 1786.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 1786, House Bill 2110, or similar legislation relating to public higher education by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) Appropriations to the Public Community/Junior Colleges in Strategy A.1.2, Performance Tier from the General Revenue Fund, are reduced by \$8,861,319 in fiscal year 2026 and \$8,813,618 in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation.
- (b) The Texas Workforce Commission is appropriated \$2,283,088 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,268,576 out of the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the number of full-time equivalents in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 19.0 in fiscal year 2026 and 14.5 in fiscal year 2027.

**BO.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.67. Contingency for Senate Bill 1789.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1789, or similar legislation relating to electric service quality and reliability, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$500,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 for fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BP.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.68. Contingency for Senate Bill 1814.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1814, House Bill 4789, or similar legislation relating to creation and maintenance of an electronic database to provide information to certain members of the United States armed forces regarding the resources and benefits provided to veterans, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Veterans Commission is appropriated \$3,205,722 for fiscal year 2026 and \$2,253,822 for fiscal year 2027 from

the General Revenue Fund, and the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)” is increased by 1.0 in each fiscal year to implement the provisions of the legislation. Capital budget authority is increased by \$3,115,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,167,100 in fiscal year 2027.

**BQ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.69. Contingency for Senate Bill 1902.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1902, or similar legislation relating to the administration of the dealer-issued license plates database and to the removal and transfer of license plates, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Department of Motor Vehicles is appropriated \$4,610,520 in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,345,920 in fiscal year 2027 from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended balances of these appropriated funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriate in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purposes.

**BR.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.70. Contingency for Senate Bill 1963.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1963, or similar legislation relating to a financing mechanism allowing electric utilities to obtain recovery of costs associated with a weather-related event or other natural disaster; granting authority to issue bonds, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas shall use funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BS.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.71. Contingency for Senate Bill 2007.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2007, or similar legislation relating to the voluntary disclosure by an applicant for registration of a motor vehicle of the applicant's military status, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Department of Motor Vehicles is appropriated \$357,700 from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Fund for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BT.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.72. Contingency for Senate Bill 2065.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 2065, or similar legislation relating to the Texas Emergency Services Retirement System, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Emergency Services Retirement System is appropriated \$2,005,832 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium from the General Revenue Dedicated Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Account 5064 to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BU.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.73. Contingency for Senate Bill 2148.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2148, or similar legislation relating to the reliability of the electricity supply chain, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$329,953 for fiscal year 2026 and \$329,953 for fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents” (FTEs) in the agency’s bill pattern is increased by 3.0 FTE in fiscal year 2026 and 3.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027.

**BV.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.74. Contingency for Senate Bill 2308.**

- (a) Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2308, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of a grant program to fund the United States Food and Drug Administration's drug development trials with ibogaine for the purpose of securing the administration's approval as a medication for treatment of opioid use disorder, co-occurring substance use disorder, and any other neurological or mental health conditions for which ibogaine demonstrates efficacy, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Health and Human Services Commission is appropriated \$50,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, to implement the provisions of the legislation.
- (b) Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of the first fiscal year of the biennium are appropriated for the same purposes for the second fiscal year of the biennium.

**BW.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.75. Contingency for Senate Bill 2332.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2332, or similar legislation relating to aircraft owned and operated by the Department of Public Safety (DPS), by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, DPS shall use funds appropriated above in Strategy A.3.2, Aircraft Operations, to implement the provisions of the legislation. In addition, DPS is appropriated 13.0 full-time equivalents in each fiscal year in Strategy A.3.2, Aircraft Operations, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BX.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.76. Contingency for Senate Bill 2361.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 2361, House Bill 5150, or similar legislation relating to the transfer of the University of Houston - Victoria to the Texas A&M University System by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas A&M University System Administrative and General Offices is appropriated \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**BY.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.77. Contingency for Senate Bill 2487.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2487, or similar legislation relating to procedures for certain facilities providing crisis and mental health services, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Health and Human Services Commission is appropriated \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium in Strategy D.2.1, Community Mental Health Services, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**BZ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.78. Contingency for Senate Bill 2601.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2601, or similar legislation relating to a border crime property damage compensation program, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Office of the Attorney General is appropriated \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy C.1.3, Landowner Compensation, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**CA.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.79. Contingency for Senate Bill 2662.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2662, or similar legislation relating to the enforcement of drought contingency plans by water and sewer utilities and the Public Utility Commission of Texas, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas is appropriated \$439,086 for fiscal year 2026 and \$439,086 for fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue Funds to implement provisions of the legislation. In addition, the "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTEs)" in the agency's bill pattern is increased by 3.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 2027 to implement the provision of the legislation.

**CB.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.80. Contingency for Senate Bill 2692.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2692, or similar legislation relating to the filing of an appeal regarding certain water, drainage, or sewer rates with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Texas shall use funds appropriated elsewhere in this Act to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**CC.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.81. Contingency for Senate Bill 2878.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 2878, or similar legislation, relating to the operation and administration of and practices and procedures related to proceedings in the judicial branch of state government; increasing a criminal penalty; authorizing fees, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:

- (a) the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Judiciary Section, is appropriated \$1,267,545 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,652,879 in fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue to implement the provisions of the bill. In addition, the agency's "Number of Full-Time-Equivalents" is increased by 7.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2026 and 9.0 FTEs in fiscal year 2027;
- (b) the Office of Court Administration is appropriated \$158,669 in fiscal year 2026 and \$158,669 in fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue to implement the provisions of the bill.

**CD.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.82. Contingency for Senate Joint Resolution 27.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Joint Resolution 27 or similar legislation proposing a constitutional amendment regarding the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct and the authority of the commission and the Texas Supreme Court to more effectively sanction judges and justices for judicial misconduct, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, and after approval of the constitutional amendment by the voters; the Secretary of State is appropriated \$191,689 in fiscal year 2026 from General Revenue for publication of the resolution.

**CE.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.83. Contingency for Senate Bill 293.** Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 293 or similar legislation, relating to the discipline of judges by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, notice of certain reprimands, judicial compensation and related retirement benefits, and the reporting of certain judicial transparency information; authorizing an administrative penalty, following changes are made:

- (a) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Office of Court Administration, \$1,585,143 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,004,157 is appropriated in each fiscal year in Interagency Contracts for the purpose of providing a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain judges linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.
- (b) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Office of Court Administration, \$254,006 is appropriated in fiscal year 2026 and \$88,206 is appropriated in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund for development of a system to collect judicial transparency information.
- (c) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Comptroller of Public Accounts, Judiciary Section, \$36,487,484 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain judges and prosecutors linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.
- (d) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Supreme Court of Texas, \$455,300 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain judges and linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.
- (e) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Court of Criminal Appeals, \$459,500 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain judges and linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.
- (f) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the 15 Courts of Appeals, \$3,719,138 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain judges and linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.
- (g) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Office of the State Prosecuting Attorney, \$38,500 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain prosecutors linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.
- (h) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Employees Retirement System, \$76,000,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to maintain the actuarial soundness of the Employee Retirement System and the Judicial Retirement System I/II

associated with a twenty-five percent increase in pay for certain judges and prosecutors linked to the base pay of a district judge authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.

- (i) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Employees Retirement System, \$3,884,309 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund and \$1,284,928 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the Judicial Fund 573 for ongoing costs to implement the provisions of the bill.
- (j) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act to the Special Prosecution Unit, Walker County, \$42,000 is appropriated in each fiscal year from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of providing a salary increase for the Executive Director of the Special Prosecution Unit, Walker County, linked to the pay of a professional prosecutor with nine years of experience, authorized by Government Code, Section 659.012.

**CF.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.85. Contingency for Senate Bill 5.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 5, or similar legislation relating to the creation of the Dementia Prevention Research Institute of Texas (DPRIT) or a similar institute, whose primary purpose is progress in the area of dementia, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and related disorders research, and establishment of the Dementia Prevention and Research Fund or a similar fund, as a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, and subsequent voter approval of the constitutional amendment proposed by Senate Joint Resolution 3, or similar legislation relating to the creation of the institute and the fund, the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer \$3,000,000,000 pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 3 from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of distribution on or before January 1, 2026 to the Dementia Prevention and Research Fund or a similar fund created by the legislation. DPRIT or a similar institute created by the legislation is appropriated from the Dementia Prevention and Research Fund or a similar fund \$300 million in fiscal year 2026 and \$300 million in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation.

Any unobligated or unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

DPRIT or a similar institute created by the legislation may purchase capital assets and employ staff sufficient for the needs of the institute.

**CG.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.86. Contingency for Public Education Funding.**

- (a) In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, increased funding for public education provided by the Eighty-ninth Legislature in Subsections (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) below of this section totals \$8,500,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund.
- (b) Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2, or similar legislation relating to public education and public school finance, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) is appropriated an estimated \$8,112,640,460 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to implement the provisions of the legislation. Appropriations from Recapture Payments - Attendance Credits shall be adjusted accordingly.
- (c) Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2, or similar legislation relating to public education and public school finance or financial or other assistance to public school educators, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, the Teacher Retirement System (TRS) is appropriated an estimated \$20,569,386 in fiscal year 2026 and an estimated \$24,814,766 in fiscal year 2027 for additional contributions to the TRS-Care program and an estimated \$17,162,341 in each fiscal year of the biennium for additional contributions to the TRS Retirement program to implement the provisions of the legislation.
- (d) Contingent on enactment of House Bill 2, or similar legislation relating to public education and public school finance, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) is appropriated an estimated \$1,200,000 in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to implement provisions related to postsecondary outcomes reporting.
- (e) Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 569, or similar legislation relating to the provision of virtual education in public schools, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, TEA is appropriated \$62,250,706 for the 2026-27 biennium to implement the provisions of the legislation. Appropriations from Recapture Payments - Attendance Credits shall be adjusted accordingly.

- (f) In addition to amounts appropriated above in subsections (b), (c), (d), and (e), it is the intent of the legislature to provide \$243,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to support school districts and charter schools in adopting and using open educational resource instructional materials in the supplemental appropriations bill.
- (g) Included in amounts appropriated in Subsection (b) above, notwithstanding TEA Rider 19, Limitation on Transfer and Use of Funds, and contingent on enactment of House Bill 2, or similar legislation relating to financial and other assistance to public school educators, TEA, in consultation with the Windham School District (WSD), shall determine an addition to the allocation provided to WSD in Article III, TEA, Rider 6, Windham Schools, that would allow WSD to increase educator salaries in a manner consistent with funds provided to school districts that receive funding through the Foundation School Program for educator salary increases during the 2026-27 biennium. At least 15 calendar days prior to the execution of such allocations, TEA shall notify the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and the Office of the Governor of the methodology for determining the increase and the amount of the increase.
- (h) Included in amounts appropriated in Subsection (b) above, notwithstanding TEA Rider 19, Limitation on Transfer and Use of Funds, and contingent on enactment of House Bill 2, or similar legislation relating to financial and other assistance to public school educators, TEA, in consultation with the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD), shall determine an addition to the estimated allocation provided to TJJD in Article III, TEA, Rider 22, FSP Funding for the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, that would allow TJJD to increase educator salaries in a manner consistent with funds provided to school districts that receive funding through the Foundation School Program for educator salary increases during the 2026-27 biennium. At least 15 calendar days prior to the execution of such allocations, TEA shall notify the LBB and the Office of the Governor of the methodology for determining the increase and the amount of the increase.
- (i) From amounts appropriated in Subsection (b) above and contingent on enactment of House Bill 2, or legislation relating to public education and public school finance, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, TEA shall, in consultation with the THECB, determine an addition to the estimated transfer provided in TEA, Rider 35, Financial Aid for Swift Transfer, from TEA to THECB for the 2026-27 biennium to implement the provisions of the legislation. At least 15 calendar days prior to the execution of such allocations, TEA shall notify the LBB and the Office of the Governor of the methodology for determining the increase and the amount of the increase.
- (j) Contingent on enactment of any of the above legislation in Subsections (b) or (e), and notwithstanding Rider 19, Limitation on the Transfer and Use of Funds, TEA may transfer necessary amounts from the Foundation School Program to implement grant programs, non-Foundation School Program strategies, and administrative strategies within the agency's bill pattern to comply with legislation upon approval by the LBB. TEA shall provide to the LBB information about the request and how it serves to implement the provisions of the legislation. A request by TEA to transfer funds under this Subsection (i) of this rider shall be considered to be approved unless the LBB issues a written disapproval within 15 business days after the date the LBB staff concludes its review of the request and forwards the review to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any requests for additional information made by the LBB interrupt the counting of the 15 business days.
- (k) In a request under Subsection (i), TEA may request to transfer appropriations in Subsections (b) and (e) above for FSP funding elements or non-FSP grant programs administered by TEA for which the allowable awards or method of distribution of appropriations may or shall be established by appropriation. Upon approval, the funding elements or requirements shall be considered established by appropriation as specified in the approved request.
- (l) Contingent on enactment of any of the above legislation in Subsection (b) or (e), any corresponding elements in the following TEA riders shall be adjusted accordingly:
  - (1) Rider 2, Capital Budget
  - (2) Rider 3, Foundation School Program Funding
  - (3) Rider 5, Transportation Allotment
  - (4) Rider 8, Instructional Materials and Technology
  - (5) Rider 10, Reimbursement of Advisory Committee Members
  - (6) Rider 13, Funding for Students with Disabilities
  - (7) Rider 35, Financial Aid for Swift Transfer
  - (8) Rider 41, Open Education Resource Instructional Materials and High-Quality Instructional Materials Supports
  - (9) Rider 44, Mathematics Achievement Academies

- (10) Rider 45, Literacy Achievement Academies
  - (11) Rider 56, Local Designation Systems and Teacher Incentives
  - (12) Rider 58, Parent-Directed Special Education Services Program
- (m) Contingent on enactment of the legislation in Subsection (b), any corresponding elements of THECB Rider 57, Financial Aid for Swift Transfer, shall be adjusted accordingly.
  - (n) Contingent on enactment of any of the above legislation, the limitation on full-time equivalents for TEA shall be adjusted accordingly.
  - (o) Contingent on enactment of the legislation in Subsection (c) above, the estimated appropriation amounts in Article III, TRS Rider 4, State Contribution to Teacher Retirement Program, and Rider 5, State Contribution to Texas Public School Retired Employees Group Insurance Program, shall be adjusted accordingly.
  - (p) Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

**CH.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.87. Contingency for House Bill 42 and Senate Joint Resolution 59.**

- (a) Contingent on the enactment of House Bill 42, or similar legislation relating to the amount and allocation of the Higher Education Fund, and contingent on the enactment of Senate Joint Resolution 59, or similar legislation relating to the creation of funds to support the capital needs of educational programs offered by the Texas State Technical College (TSTC) System, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, and after approval of the constitutional amendment by the voters, the Texas State Technical College System Administration is appropriated an estimated amount from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027, not to exceed \$52,000,000, that equals the difference of \$52,000,000 and the total of the fiscal year 2027 annual distribution to the Texas State Technical College System Administration out of the Higher Education Fund and the newly created constitutionally-dedicated fund as determined as provided by Subsection (b), to implement the provisions of the legislation.
- (b) The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts shall determine the amount available for distribution to the TSTC System Administration from the constitutionally-dedicated fund by December 1 of fiscal year 2027. The appropriations may not be distributed by the comptroller without the prior written approval of the Legislative Budget Board. The determined distribution allocation shall be considered approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date the Legislative Budget Board is informed of the distribution calculations and forwards the distribution calculations to the Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, Speaker of the House, and Lieutenant Governor. Any requests for additional information made by the Legislative Budget Board interrupt the counting of the 30 business days.
- (c) Notwithstanding transfer provisions in Article IX, Part 14, the TSTC System Administration shall allocate the funds to individual TSTC campuses in order to implement the provisions of Senate Joint Resolution 59 or similar legislation.
- (d) The Comptroller of Public Accounts shall not make available any General Revenue from this appropriation until after the distribution from the TSTC endowment has been approved and allocated to ensure that the sum certain appropriation between these three sources totals \$52,000,000 per fiscal year.
- (e) The legislature finds that there is a demonstrated need for the appropriation of general revenue funds for the purposes described by Subsection (a) of this section. The appropriation made by this section is contingent on approval by two-thirds of each chamber of the legislature, as required under Section 17(j), Article VII, Texas Constitution.

**CI.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.89. Contingency for House Bill 3000.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 3000, or similar legislation relating to a grant program to provide financial assistance to qualified ambulance service providers in certain rural counties, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session:



- (a) The Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated \$536,216 in fiscal year 2026 and \$212,216 in fiscal year 2027, from the General Revenue Fund, in Strategy B.1.1, Accounting/ Reporting, to implement the provisions of the legislation. Additionally, the “Number of Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)” is increased by 2.0 in each fiscal year.
- (b) The Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts is appropriated \$89,251,568 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund, in a new Strategy A.1.15, Rural Ambulance Support, to award grants in accordance with the legislation. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

**CJ.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.90. Contingency for House Bill 35.** Contingent on enactment of House Bill 35 or similar legislation relating to a peer support network for first responders, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Division of Emergency Management is appropriated \$1,975,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,975,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2027 to implement the provisions of the legislation.

**CK.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.91. Southwestern Medical District Park.** In addition to amounts appropriated elsewhere in this Act, the Parks and Wildlife Department is appropriated \$2,000,000 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2026 for the purpose of providing a grant for the Southwestern Medical District Park. Any unobligated and unexpended balances appropriated from the General Revenue Fund for this grant as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

**CL.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.92. Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor: Office of State-Federal Relations Executive Director.** Notwithstanding Section 3.04 of this Article, the Executive Director of the Office of State-Federal Relations shall be compensated from funds appropriated by this Act at a salary rate set by the Governor in an amount not to exceed the "Maximum Salary" but not less than the "Minimum Salary" for the Salary Group 7.

**CM.** Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (4) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not included in either the House or Senate version of the bill to read as follows;  
Suspend Senate Rule 12.04 (5) to allow the Conference Committee to add an item of appropriation that is not in either version of the bill to read as follows:

**Sec. 18.93. Commissioner of Agriculture Travel.** Notwithstanding Department of Agriculture, Rider 30 in Article VI of this Act, the Department of Agriculture may not expend more than \$35,000 each fiscal year for payment or reimbursement for expenses related to the travel of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

## ARTICLE X

### CLXXV. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Purposes for Which Appropriations May Be Expended.** Funds appropriated to the Legislative Council may be expended for payment of salaries and other necessary expenses to carry out the council's statutory powers and duties (including those powers and duties provided by Government Code Chapters 301, 323, 326. Government Code, Sections 329.010, and 2053.004; and Election Code, Section 276.008) and to carry out responsibilities assigned pursuant to legislative resolution. Out of the funds appropriated above:

- a. \$1,000,000 each shall be transferred annually to the Senate and the House of Representatives for printing costs;
- b. \$50,000 each shall be transferred annually to the Senate and House of Representatives for moving expenses; and
- c. Out of funds appropriated above, the Legislative Council shall transfer to the chamber of the Legislature for which the Council estimates it has spent or will spend less money on bill analysis services during the 2026-27 biennium, as compared to the other chamber, an amount of funds equal to the difference in the amounts estimated by the Council as spent or to be spent on bill analysis services for each chamber of the Legislature.

### CLXXVI. COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (1) to allow the Conference Committee to change, alter, or amend text which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

**Purposes for Which Appropriations May Be Expended.** Funds appropriated to the Commission on Uniform State Laws may be expended for payment of the contribution by the State of Texas to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and for payment of other necessary expenses of the commission in carrying out provisions of Government Code, Chapter 329, including the printing of the commission's report and travel expenses of members of the commission to attend the annual meeting of the National Conference of Commissioner's on Uniform State Laws and travel to the state capitol on commission business.

### CLXXVII. SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE

A. Suspend Senate Rule 12.03 (3) to allow the Conference Committee to add text on any matter which is not in disagreement to read as follows:

#### **Sec. 3. Authorization to Spend Unexpended Balances.**

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, except as provided by Subsection (b) of this section, a legislative agency may only spend prior year balances with the approval of its respective governing board.
- (b) For Fiscal Year 2026, the State Auditor's Office shall transfer from prior year balances \$3,000,000 to the Senate, \$3,000,000 to the House of Representatives, \$3,000,000 to the Legislative Budget Board, and \$2,000,000 to the Sunset Advisory Commission.