SENATE AMENDMENTS

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT
2	relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas
3	Quantum Initiative.
4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
5	SECTION 1. Chapter 481, Government Code, is amended by
6	adding Subchapter HH to read as follows:
7	SUBCHAPTER HH. TEXAS QUANTUM INITIATIVE
8	Sec. 481.681. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:
9	(1) "Executive committee" means the executive
10	committee of the initiative.
11	(2) "Initiative" means the Texas Quantum Initiative.
12	(3) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning
13	assigned by Section 61.003, Education Code.
14	Sec. 481.682. ESTABLISHMENT; PURPOSES. (a) The Texas
15	Quantum Initiative is established to:
16	(1) establish and advance this state's position as a
17	national leader in the quantum industry; and
18	(2) accelerate the integration of quantum computing,
19	networking, and sensing technology into the economy of this state.
20	(b) The purposes of the initiative are to:
21	(1) leverage the expertise and capacity of regulatory
22	stakeholders and institutions of higher education and industry to
23	advise and provide input to the office regarding a comprehensive
2/1	strategic plan to ensure the development of guantum technologies in

- 1 this state;
- 2 (2) identify obstacles and provide recommendations to
- 3 the governor and legislature regarding quantum economic
- 4 opportunities and technologies;
- 5 (3) provide strategic leadership with respect to
- 6 quantum initiatives;
- 7 (4) identify and advise the office on opportunities
- 8 for workforce training and development related to the research,
- 9 design, and manufacturing of quantum computing technology;
- 10 (5) support existing quantum computing and networking
- 11 industries in this state;
- 12 (6) provide recommendations to the office on research
- 13 and funding opportunities related to quantum research, design,
- 14 commercialization, and manufacturing;
- 15 (7) support the development of a quantum manufacturing
- 16 supply chain in this state; and
- 17 (8) develop a comprehensive strategic plan for the
- 18 state to ensure ongoing quantum leadership, prioritizing
- 19 commercial and practical utility, through investments in the
- 20 necessary foundational infrastructure, including quantum systems
- 21 and networking equipment, jobs and workforce, and real property.
- 22 <u>Sec. 481.683. ADMINISTRATIVE ATTACHMENT.</u> (a) The
- 23 <u>initiative</u> is administratively attached to the office of the
- 24 governor.
- 25 <u>(b) The office of the governor shall hire or otherwise</u>
- 26 provide the staff and provide the facilities necessary to assist
- 27 the initiative in performing the initiative's duties under this

- 1 subchapter.
- 2 Sec. 481.684. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION. (a) The
- 3 initiative is governed by an executive committee composed of seven
- 4 members appointed by the governor.
- 5 (b) In making appointments under Subsection (a), priority
- 6 shall be given to individuals from the quantum design and
- 7 manufacturing sectors.
- 8 (b-1) Appointments to the executive committee shall be made
- 9 without regard to the race, color, disability, sex, religion, age,
- 10 or national origin of the appointee.
- 11 (c) In making appointments under Subsection (a), the
- 12 governor shall ensure that the members of the executive committee
- 13 include:
- 14 (1) at least one representative from a quantum
- 15 infrastructure provider who has demonstrated experience in:
- 16 (A) implementing quantum networks in similar
- 17 settings; and
- 18 (B) deploying leading edge quantum computing
- 19 systems in third-party data centers; and
- 20 (2) at least one representative of a manufacturer of a
- 21 quantum computing system with the ability to enable the creation
- 22 and deployment of quantum solutions with commercial and practical
- 23 <u>use.</u>
- 24 (d) An executive committee member serves a six-year term at
- 25 the pleasure of the governor. The terms of executive committee
- 26 members must be staggered so that, to the extent practicable, the
- 27 terms of one-third of executive committee members expire on January

- 1 31 of each odd-numbered year. An executive committee member may be
- 2 reappointed for additional terms.
- 3 (e) A vacancy on the executive committee shall be filled by
- 4 appointment. The authority that appointed the former member of the
- 5 vacant position shall appoint a new member to the vacant position.
- 6 (f) Initial executive committee appointments shall be made
- 7 by October 1, 2025. This subsection expires December 31, 2025.
- 8 Sec. 481.685. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. The office shall hire an
- 9 executive director. The executive director shall direct initiative
- 10 staff and assist the initiative in performing the initiative's
- 11 <u>duties under this subchapter.</u>
- 12 Sec. 481.686. DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The executive
- 13 committee shall:
- 14 (1) advise and provide input to the office regarding
- 15 the comprehensive statewide strategic plan to further the purposes
- 16 <u>of:</u>
- 17 (A) the initiative under Section 481.682; and
- 18 (B) the executive committee under this section;
- 19 (2) solicit recommendations from institutions of
- 20 higher education, initiative members, and stakeholders on funding
- 21 and research opportunities related to quantum education and
- 22 research, design, commercialization, community outreach, and
- 23 <u>manufacturing projects; and</u>
- 24 (3) administer funds, including any funds
- 25 appropriated by the legislature or available under Section 481.689,
- 26 to support quantum design and manufacturing, capital projects,
- 27 supply chain development, and other initiatives.

- Sec. 481.687. STRATEGIC PLAN. (a) The office shall develop
- 2 a strategic plan for the promotion of the quantum economy in this
- 3 state. The plan must include:
- 4 (1) a list of potential projects that further the
- 5 goals of the initiative;
- 6 (2) a list of federal grant opportunities that are
- 7 related to quantum technology and for which institutions in this
- 8 state are eligible to apply;
- 9 (3) an assessment of the availability of external
- 10 funding sources for each project identified under Subdivision (1);
- 11 and
- 12 (4) any other information the office and the executive
- 13 committee determine is relevant to further the initiative's goals.
- 14 (b) The office shall submit the strategic plan required by
- 15 this section not later than December 31 of each year to the
- 16 governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
- 17 <u>representatives.</u>
- 18 Sec. 481.688. BIENNIAL REPORT. Not later than December 1 of
- 19 each even-numbered year, the office shall prepare and submit to the
- 20 Legislative Budget Board a written report that outlines:
- 21 (1) activities undertaken to meet the purposes of the
- 22 initiative under Section 481.682;
- 23 (2) a summary of the funding and research
- 24 opportunities identified by the office;
- 25 (3) any legislative recommendations to further the
- 26 purposes of the initiative;
- 27 (4) any prospective grants or funding the initiative

- 1 members expect to apply for or receive; and
- 2 (5) any research accomplishments associated with the
- 3 initiative.
- 4 Sec. 481.689. QUANTUM UNIVERSITY AND BUSINESS INNOVATION
- 5 FOR TEXAS FUND. (a) In this section, "fund" means the Quantum
- 6 University and Business Innovation for Texas Fund created by this
- 7 section.
- 8 (b) The Quantum University and Business Innovation for
- 9 Texas Fund is created as a dedicated account within the general
- 10 revenue fund. The fund consists of:
- 11 (1) gifts, grants, or donations to the fund;
- 12 (2) money from any other source designated by the
- 13 legislature; and
- 14 (3) interest earned from investing money from the
- 15 <u>fund.</u>
- 16 (c) The office may invest money from the fund or use money in
- 17 the fund to:
- 18 (1) provide matching funding to state entities,
- 19 including institutions of higher education, for quantum
- 20 manufacturing and design projects;
- 21 (2) award grants to business entities to encourage
- 22 <u>economic development related to quantum manufacturing and design</u>
- 23 projects; and
- 24 (3) pay for staff support services described by
- 25 Section 481.683(b).
- 26 (d) Matching funding to state entities for quantum
- 27 manufacturing and design projects may come from any lawful source,

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- 1 including general revenue, local bonds, grants, or other money from
- 2 <u>the United States, or private endowments.</u>
- 3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO.

BY: Lan Parker

1	Amend H.B. No. 4751 (senate committee report) as follows:
2	(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section
3	481.681(1), Government Code (page 1, lines 29 and 30), and
4	substitute the following:
5	(1) "Advisory committee" means the advisory committee
6	of the initiative.
7	(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.682(a),
8	Government Code (page 1, line 35), strike "established" and
9	substitute "a program established within the office".
10	(3) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section
11	481.682(b), Government Code (page 1, line 40, through page 2, line
12	3), and substitute the following:
13	(b) The purposes of the initiative are to:
14	(1) leverage the expertise and capacity of regulatory
15	stakeholders and institutions of higher education and industry to
16	advise and provide input to the office regarding the comprehensive
17	strategic plan described by Section 481.686;
18	(2) identify obstacles and provide recommendations to
19	the governor and legislature regarding quantum economic
20	opportunities and technologies;
21	(3) provide strategic leadership with respect to
22	quantum initiatives;
23	(4) identify opportunities for workforce training and
24	development related to the research, design, and manufacturing of
25	quantum computing technology; and
26	(5) identify opportunities to support:
27	(A) existing quantum computing and networking
28	industries in this state; and
29	(B) the development of a quantum manufacturing

- 1 supply chain in this state.
- 2 (c) The initiative may establish ad hoc advisory committees
- 3 as necessary to carry out the initiative's duties under this
- 4 subchapter.
- 5 (4) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section 481.683,
- 6 Government Code (page 2, lines 4 through 10).
- 7 (5) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike the heading to added
- 8 Section 481.684, Government Code (page 2, line 11), and substitute
- 9 the following:
- Sec. 481.683. ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMPOSITION.
- 11 (6) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.684(a),
- 12 Government Code (page 2, line 12), strike "governed by an executive
- 13 committee composed of seven" and substitute "advised by an advisory
- 14 committee composed of six".
- 15 (7) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Sections
- 16 481.684(e) and (f), Government Code (page 2, lines 39 through 43),
- 17 and substitute the following:
- (e) A vacancy on the advisory committee shall be filled by
- 19 the governor.
- 20 <u>(f) Advisory committee members serve without compensation</u>
- 21 but are entitled to reimbursement for actual expenses incurred in
- 22 attending committee meetings. Reimbursements under this subsection
- 23 may be paid from the fund established under Section 481.688.
- 24 (g) Chapter 2110 does not apply to the size, composition, or
- 25 duration of the advisory committee.
- 26 (8) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike the heading to added
- 27 Section 481.685, Government Code (page 2, line 44), and substitute
- 28 the following:
- 29 <u>Sec. 481.684.</u> DIRECTOR; STAFF.
- 30 (9) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.685,
- 31 Government Code (page 2, lines 44 and 45), strike "an executive

- 1 <u>director. The executive</u>" and substitute "<u>a director. The</u>".
- 2 (10) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.685,
- 3 Government Code (page 2, lines 45 and 46), strike "direct
- 4 initiative staff and" and substitute "hire and direct staff to".
- 5 (11) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike the heading to added
- 6 Section 481.686, Government Code (page 2, line 48), and substitute
- 7 the following:
- 8 Sec. 481.685. DUTIES OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
- 9 (12) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section
- 10 481.686(1), Government Code (page 2, lines 50 through 54), and
- 11 substitute the following:
- 12 (1) advise and provide input to the office regarding
- 13 the comprehensive strategic plan described by Section 481.686;
- 14 (13) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section
- 15 481.686(3), Government Code (page 2, lines 60 through 63), and
- 16 substitute the following:
- 17 (3) provide recommendations related to research and
- 18 funding opportunities pertaining to quantum research, design,
- 19 commercialization, and manufacturing.
- 20 (14) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.687,
- 21 Government Code (page 2, line 64), strike "481.687" and substitute
- 22 "481.686".
- 23 (15) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.687(a),
- 24 Government Code (page 2, line 64), between "shall" and "develop",
- 25 insert ", in collaboration with the initiative,".
- 26 (16) In SECTION 1 of the bill, at the end of added Section
- 27 481.687(a)(3), Government Code (page 3, line 5), strike "and".
- 28 (17) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section
- 29 481.687(4), Government Code (page 3, lines 6 and 7) and substitute
- 30 the following:
- 31 (4) a description of suggested methods and

- 1 opportunities the state may use to promote the development of
- 2 quantum technologies in this state;
- 3 (5) a description of suggested approaches the state
- 4 may use to ensure the quantum leadership of this state by
- 5 prioritizing commercial and practical utility through investments
- 6 in necessary foundational infrastructure, including quantum
- 7 systems and networking equipment, jobs and workforce, and real
- 8 property; and
- 9 (6) any other information the office, in collaboration
- 10 with the advisory committee, determines is relevant to further the
- 11 initiative's goals.
- 12 (18) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.688,
- 13 Government Code (page 3, line 12), strike "481.688" and substitute
- 14 "481.687".
- 15 (19) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.688(2),
- 16 Government Code (page 3, line 18), between "the" and "office",
- 17 insert "advisory committee with the input of the".
- 18 (20) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.688(4),
- 19 Government Code (page 3, line 22), strike "members expect" and
- 20 substitute "expects".
- 21 (21) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 481.689,
- 22 Government Code (page 3, line 25), strike "481.689" and substitute
- 23 "481.688".
- 24 (22) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike added Section
- 25 481.689(c), Government Code (page 3, lines 37 through 46), and
- 26 substitute the following:
- 27 (c) The office may use money in the fund to:
- 28 (1) award grants to state entities, including
- 29 institutions of higher education, for quantum manufacturing and
- 30 design projects;
- 31 (2) award grants to business entities, including

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1 nonprofit organizations with a purpose associated with or
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- 2 significant ties to the quantum industry, to encourage economic
- 3 <u>development related to quantum manufacturing and design projects;</u>
- 4 and
- 5 (3) pay for staffing costs described by Section
- 6 481.684.
- 7 (23) In SECTION 1 of the bill, strike "executive" and
- 8 substitute "advisory" in each of the following places it appears:
- 9 (A) in added Section 481.684(b-1), Government Code
- 10 (page 2, line 17);
- 11 (B) in added Section 481.684(c), Government Code (page
- 12 2, line 21);
- 13 (C) four times in added Section 481.684(d), Government
- 14 Code (page 2, lines 33, 34, 36, and 37); and
- 15 (D) in added Section 481.686, Government Code (page 2,
- 16 line 48).
- 17 (24) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to
- 18 the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:
- 19 SECTION _____. Not later than January 1, 2026, the governor
- 20 shall make the initial appointments to the advisory committee of
- 21 the Texas Quantum Initiative established by Section 481.683,
- 22 Government Code, as added by this Act.
- 23 SECTION ____. (a) Notwithstanding any other section of
- 24 this Act, in a state fiscal year, a state agency to which this Act
- 25 applies is not required to implement a provision found in another
- 26 section of this Act that is drafted as a mandatory provision
- 27 imposing a duty on the agency to take an action unless money is
- 28 specifically appropriated to the agency for that fiscal year to
- 29 carry out that duty. The agency may implement the provision in that
- 30 fiscal year to the extent other funding is available to the agency
- 31 to do so.

- 1 (b) If, as authorized by Subsection (a) of this section, the
- 2 state agency does not implement the mandatory provision in a state
- 3 fiscal year, the state agency, in its legislative budget request
- 4 for the next state fiscal biennium, shall certify that fact to the
- 5 Legislative Budget Board and include a written estimate of the
- 6 costs of implementing the provision in each year of that next state
- 7 fiscal biennium.
- 8 (c) This section expires and any duty suspended by
- 9 Subsection (a) becomes mandatory on September 1, 2029.

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 28, 2025

TO: Honorable Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB4751 by Capriglione (Relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas Quantum Initiative.), As Passed 2nd House

Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds for HB4751, As Passed 2nd House: a negative impact of (\$3,457,794) through the biennium ending August 31, 2027.

There would be an additional indeterminate cost related to the grant program authorized by the bill which would be dependent on the number of grant applications and appropriations made for this purpose.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

General Revenue-Related Funds, Five- Year Impact:

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds	
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Fiscal Analysis

The bill would amend the Government Code to establish the Texas Quantum Initiative as a program within the Office of the Governor (OOG). The Initiative would be advised by an advisory committee composed of six members, appointed by the Governor. OOG would hire a director for the Initiative. The OOG would submit a strategic plan annually to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker of the House of Representatives, and submit a biennial report not later than December 1 of each even-numbered year to the Governor and the

Legislative Budget Board (LBB).

The bill would also create the Quantum University and Business Innovation for Texas Fund as a dedicated account within the General Revenue Fund. The fund would consist of gifts, grants, or donations to the fund, and money from any other source designated by the Legislature; and interest earned from investing money from the fund. Money in the fund would be used to provide grants to state entities and certain business entities for quantum manufacturing and design projects. The fund would also be used to pay for staffing costs.

Note: This legislation would do one or more of the following: create or recreate a dedicated account in the General Revenue Fund, create or recreate a special or trust fund either in, with, or outside the Treasury, or create a dedicated revenue source. The fund, account, or revenue dedication included in this bill would be subject to funds consolidation review by the current Legislature.

Methodology

It is anticipated the OOG would need an additional 7.5 FTEs to support the Texas Quantum Initiative. The following positions would be needed: 2 Research Specialist IV, 1 Financial Analyst III, 1 Compliance Analyst III, 1 General Counsel III, 1 Director VII, 1 Project Manager IV, 0.5 Programmer III. The total estimate for FTE-related costs, including travel, professional services, and other operating costs, is anticipated to be \$3,457,792 for the 2026-27 biennium.

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Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 300 Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts

LBB Staff: JMc, RStu, LCO, KCu, SD, NV

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 14, 2025

TO: Honorable Charles Schwertner, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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LBB Staff: JMc, RStu, SD, KCu, LCO, NV

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 15, 2025

TO: Honorable Giovanni Capriglione, Chair, House Committee on Delivery of Government Efficiency

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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