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Amendment Floor Report for HB 2 - Thursday, April 6, 2017

Author	Analysis	Recommendation
<p>Rep. Isaac 851189</p>	<p>This amendment prohibits the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) from expending any funds appropriated during the 84th session (FY 2016 and FY 2017) for interstate travel or participation in events, trainings, classes, or conferences. The amendment offers an exception from the spending ban on interstate travel for costs associated with law enforcement or investigative activities outside of Texas.</p> <p>This amendment attempts to control mishandling of state funds by the TABC. It has been reported that their expenditures have included trips to Hawaii, resort-spa stays, and extravagant parties. It is imperative that state agencies are not hemorrhaging funds, especially at a time where critical agencies have experienced 4% budget reductions.</p>	<p><u>Favorable</u></p>
<p>Rep. Uresti 851255</p>	<p>This amendment appropriates \$10,546,287 of General Revenue for the Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services (CRS) program within Health and Human Services Commission, and reduces all other sections of the bill by a proportional amount to free up the funds to do so. While CRS provides vital services for individuals who have experienced traumatic brain or spinal cord injuries to support their recovery and reintegration in to their communities, the effects on the agencies requiring critical funds within this supplemental budget cannot be adequately evaluated at this time.</p>	<p><u>Will of House</u></p>

OK for Distribution – Rep Garnet Coleman