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**Author's Perfecting Amendments - Amendment Floor Report for HB 1 – Wednesday, March 27, 2019**

Author	Analysis	Recommendation
<b>Zerwas</b> Packet p. 3 860139	This amendment lists items that include riders in Article XI that relate to the Texas Education Agency. This amendment also strikes language regarding to transfer credits in the Public Community/Junior Colleges in the Higher Education Coordinating Board from <i>Institution</i> and replaces it with <i>Community College</i> for credit completion. This allows for clarification of where the student is transferring credit from. This amendment also adds language that would strike current salaries for the Executive Directors of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Public Utility Commission, and Department of Licensing and Regulation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pay increases for each year of biennium for the listed Executive Directors:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Board of Chiropractic Examiners: \$8,137</li> <li>▪ Public Utility Commission: \$9,407</li> <li>▪ Department of Licensing and Regulation: \$25,952</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Favorable</b>
<p><b>ARTICLE I - Amendment Floor Report for HB 1 – Wednesday, March 27, 2019</b></p>		
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<b>Wu</b> Packet p. 6 860143	Article V, Juvenile Justice Department's, Single Grant Applications for Local Probation Departments, Rider 35 would be amended to focus the \$5,000,000, collected in increments of \$250,000 from various agencies such as moving funds from other sections of the Juvenile Justice Department, Office of the Governor, Comptroller of Public Accounts, etc., for the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2021, on their Basic Probation Supervision. Grants distributed will be prioritized to local probation departments in rural counties.	<b>Favorable</b>
<b>Gervin-Hawkins</b> Packet p. 10 860133	Legal services under the Office of the Attorney General will be reduced by \$5,000,000 in FY 2020 and FY 2021 for the purposes of increasing funds toward the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. A new rider will be added related to said amount with the focus of funding toward increasing affordable homeownership opportunities for underserved populations in the Bexar County and San Antonio Area.	<b>Favorable</b>

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<p><b>Howard</b> Packet p. 11 860284</p>	<p>This amendment reduces a total amount of funds of \$20,000,000 from sources such as the legal services for border prosecutions in the Office of the Attorney General, border camera installation in the Office of the Governor, border security operations from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Routine Operations in Department Public Safety, and game warden activities in Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The fund reductions total \$20,000,000 to increase the appropriations for the Texas Education Agency’s Health and Safety strategy. This amendment aims to amend the TEA’s rider for Texas Safe and Healthy Schools initiative by addressing language to have the TEA commissioner allocate the \$20,000,000 for grants that address mental health and positive school culture. With this increase, the funds would include school based behavioral health clinics to address students need for behavioral health services with evidence-based programs.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Howard</b> Packet p. 13 860283</p>	<p>This amendment appropriates an additional \$216,701,496 under Article III to serve and fully fund all eligible students under the TEXAS Grants program by reducing appropriations to several sources including: The Attorney General’s Office COLAs for assistant AGs; the Texas Enterprise Fund; the Lottery Commission Marketing and Advertising Strategies; and DPS Border Security. Current funding allows for approximately 70% of eligible students to benefit from the program leaving almost a third of eligible applicants arbitrarily unable to benefit from the program.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Gervin-Hawkins</b> Packet p. 14 860186</p>	<p>Contingency rider: based on passage of HB 217. HB 217 requires health plans provide coverage (at least \$100) for wigs to patients undergoing treatment for cancer, with side effects similar to a cancer patient, and patients who need replacement for their wig. This amendment takes \$1.25 million for each fiscal year from the Office of the Attorney General and equally increases appropriations to additional specialty care through HHSC for each fiscal year of the biennium with the intention of providing wigs for hair prosthesis for patients who lose their hair from chemotherapy.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Gervin-Hawkins</b> Packet p. 15 860184</p>	<p>Amendment would require healthcare providers to fully cover the cost of wigs for those undergoing chemotherapy and suffering from hair loss. This would apply to all private and public healthcare providers contingent on the passing of HB 217. TRS already has an allocation for the provision of such items and TRS-Care fiscal impact is little to none as stated by TRS Governmental Relations.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Parker</b> Packet p. 16 860276</p>	<p>This amendment would allow the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas to allocate funds for the compensation of those who participate in cancer research. With the current rates of compensation, it is projected by the agency that there is a disparity in rates of participation. With the increase of compensation, there will be an increased access to those without financial means to participate in the research. If compensation is too high, could incentivize poor people to participate as their financial options may be limited when undergoing cancer treatment. If there is little to no compensation, it again could limit participation to those who can afford to take off work and not feel financial strain of partaking in an unpaid study.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Geren</b> Packet p. 17 860048</p>	<p>This amendment aims to strike rider 17 relating to the Habitat Protection Fund controlled by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and substitute a rider that specifies how the \$5,000,000 that is already appropriated to the Habitat Protection Fund will be used. This is basically a clean-up rider; the language is added to mirror current statute in the government code.</p> <p>Current legislation has the \$5,000,000 being used for contracts with state public universities for research purposes regarding animal species of interest—endangered, threatened, etc. This amendment adds that the \$5,000,000 has a second use which is development, coordination, implementation, and monitoring for habitat conservation plans.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Martinez-Fischer</b> Packet p. 18 860151</p>	<p>The amendment requires the Comptroller of Public Accounts to submit a report calculating the amount of revenue spent by a local taxing entity on state mandated caps on year-over-year local property tax revenue growth.</p> <p>The purpose of this report is to show the impact of a 2.5% cap on local property taxes and the cities’ lack of feasibility to pay for unfunded state mandates.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>

<p><b>Bowers</b> Packet p. 19 860144</p>	<p>The amendment requests that the Comptroller of Public Accounts submit a report, using funds appropriated to them, to each member of the legislature that compares the salaries received by men and women under the same job classification at state agencies. The report must be submitted no later than August 21, 2021.</p> <p>In 2018, Denton County had to pay \$115,000 to a female former county doctor after a federal court entered judgement in favor of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) in a pay discrimination lawsuit. The Equal Pay Act and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 make it unlawful for employers to pay women less than men for a job requiring the same skill, effort and responsibility, performed under similar working conditions.</p> <p>With instances such as the above this rider requiring pay transparency to be reported is a step toward collecting data to close the pay gap between men and women while also saving the state money from lawsuits and payouts.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Y. Davis</b> Packet p. 20 860096</p>	<p>This amendment would require that the Comptroller of Public Accounts utilize appropriated funds to make quarterly reports during each state fiscal year of the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019 available on their website. The reports will need to identify the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each state agency that is a party to an interagency contract and whether the agency is disbursing or receiving money under the contract;</li> <li>• The amount spent by the disbursing agency for the contract and the method of finance; and</li> <li>• The agency programs for which the agencies entered in the contract and the appropriation line items from which funds were spent by the agencies to perform the contract.</li> </ul> <p>Currently, none of this information, in whole or in part, needs to be disclosed when contracts are written-up. The purpose of this amendment is to bring greater transparency to interagency contracts.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Buckley</b> Packet p. 21 860229</p>	<p>Current Texas law states that if the Veterans Affairs (VA) determines a veteran is 100% disabled, whether mentally or physically, they are exempt from paying property taxes. There are certain communities who have over 10% of their residents who are 100% disabled and are disproportionately affected by this law. This amendment would create a report of how much property tax was not collected due to this exemption. The report shall calculate how much was lost by multiplying the property tax rate by the total appraised value of all property in that community.</p> <p>This amendment raises certain concerns regarding the property tax exemption for 100% disabled veterans. This report could be used to bring light to the issue of disproportionately affected communities and could be used to pass legislation in future sessions to get rid of the exemption for those veterans.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Buckley</b> Packet p. 22 860056</p>	<p>This amendment is contingent on the passage of HB 634, SB 283, or similar legislation that propose that state aid be provided to local governments that are disproportionately impacted by granting a tax relief for disabled veterans. This amendment increases General Revenue -Dedicated Disabled Veterans Local Government Assistance Program for Disabled Veteran Assist Payments by \$5,000,000 for the biennium. Remaining balance can be transferred to the next biennium.</p> <p>The fund appropriated for the Disabled Veterans Assist Payments will be transferred from the Commission on Environmental Quality from the Clean Air Account for Air Quality Assessment and Planning for the Low-Income Vehicle Repair Assistance, Retrofit, and Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program. This amendment would draw money from the funds dedicated to the Low-Income Vehicle Repair Assistance Program (LIRAP) which is a cost-effective air pollution reduction program in Texas. It provides financial incentives to low income Texans to replace old, polluting passenger vehicles from Texas roads. This program protects Texans including Veterans, children, and those suffering from any respiratory conditions, from toxic air that will cause public health hazards throughout Texas.</p>	<p><b>Unfavorable</b></p>

<p><b>Guillen</b> Packet p. 24 860332</p>	<p>This amendment would allow for some rural transit districts to request tax reimbursements from the comptroller at a half cent per gallon of diesel fuel used in public transit. There would be a negative fiscal impact to the state of \$87,000 per biennium. This would reduce the fiscal burden on rural school districts which have to travel their student further on a daily basis to arrive to public school.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Rodriguez</b> Packet p. 25 860330</p>	<p>This amendment reduces money appropriated to The Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor from Homeland Security for the amount of \$250,000 for the biennium. The appropriation from general revenue to the Comptroller of Public Accounts is increased by \$250,000 for the biennium to pay for the ad valorem tax relief study.</p> <p>This amendment is contingent upon HB 3253, or similar legislation (SB 1079 by Watson) becoming law. This legislation would require a study by the Comptroller's office regarding ad valorem tax relief (property tax relief) using a circuit breaker program-- a program that limits the amount of ad valorem taxes(property taxes) that may be imposed on a residence homestead based on the owner's annual income. The circuit breaker program makes sure that takes aren't becoming too concentrated in any area so when property taxes reach a certain percent of the taxpayer's income the circuit breaker reduces their property taxes.</p> <p>Circuit breakers target a selected income group which is cheaper in the end in comparison to "across the board" property taxes like homestead exemptions or tax caps, this helps keep taxes where people have "ability to pay", as well. Circuit breaker programs are operated in DC, MA, ME, MD, MI, MN, MT, MO, NM, OK, OR, RI, UT, VT, WI, and WV.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Stickland</b> Packet p. 26 860100</p>	<p>Reduces appropriations to facility operations of state agencies by \$60 million and places those funds into the Alternatives to Abortion program. The Alternatives to Abortion program does not provide a variety of services to women and fails to advance health care outcomes for women in Texas.</p>	<p><b>Unfavorable</b></p>
<p><b>Stickland</b> Packet p. 27 860219</p>	<p>This amendment reduces funds appropriated to the TFC for the purposes Facilities Operation by the amount of \$28,300,000 and redirects those funds to account 5111, The Trauma Facility and EMS Account.</p> <p>While this does allocate \$28.3 million for the biennium to Fund 5111, the amendment does not outline who receives those allocations. This amount of funding-decrease will have detrimental effect on the Facilities Commission (TFC). Currently, TFC is required to provide a comprehensive capital Improvement and Deferred Maintenance Plan to address the risks to occupant health and life, and safety and risks to the continuity of operations in state-owned office buildings maintained by TFC. The agency oversees over 110 buildings and losing all these funds will hinder their ability to do it effectively.</p>	<p><b>Unfavorable</b></p>
<p><b>Zwiener</b> Packet p. 28 860166</p>	<p>The amendment would increase appropriations to the soil and water conservation board by \$3.6 million. This allocation of funds would come from the Texas Facilities Commission specifically from the Lyndon B. Johnson building renovation.</p> <p>The Texas Facilities Commission expressed that the Lyndon B. Johnson building renovation currently has \$23 million allocated to its renovation but only plans on using 13 million. The Facilities Commission have asked for the \$23 million to anticipate and respond to potential problems with renovations.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>C. Turner</b> Packet p. 29 860270</p>	<p>There have been growing concerns about the unregulated payday loan industry. However, there is not a lot of research on how many people are affected negatively by this industry.</p> <p>This amendment would add a rider to use funds allocated in the Office of the Governor to conduct a study on the logistics of payday lending. The study must evaluate the number of people who have payday loans, the amount owed, payments that are overdue, the interest rates charged for these loans and any other consumer protection information.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>




<p><b>Dominguez</b> Packet p. 30 860288</p>	<p>This amendment requires the Office of the Governor to use appropriated funds in the Criminal Justice Planning Account to be used to conduct a study that includes employment, wage, and benefit data of local law enforcement personnel licensed by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). Political subdivisions that employ TCOLE will present to the Governor’s office the current required federal employment data that includes the annual income reported of employees. The Texas Workforce Commission will provide results of study to state leadership and commissioner of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement on January 1, 2020. This study will help smaller cities and counties law enforcement that are disproportionately affected in terms of compensation This study will show the disparity in wages across the state and be used to bring an awareness to the lack of livable wages for law enforcement across Texas.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Nevarez</b> Packet p. 31 860214</p>	<p>The amendment provides more funding for border technology, as well as funding to pay for the planning, designing, construction, or maintenance of physical barriers, or related infrastructure along the states international border. The amendment fully defunds the act for the border security account to provide for funding of House Bill 4306, which creates a physical barrier.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Tinderholt</b> Packet p. 32 860126</p>	<p>The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) has specifically requested the legislature for varying amounts in order to support and retain specific employees with specialized knowledge. A total of \$137,264 will be reduced from the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor for each year of the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019.  CLE will take that total and spend it as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$31,571 in each year for Strategy A.1.1, Licensing;</li> <li>• \$6,863 in each year for Strategy A.1.2, Standards Development;</li> <li>• \$42,552 in each year for Strategy B.1.1, Enforcement;</li> <li>• \$42,552 in each year for Strategy B.1.2, Technical Assistance; and</li> <li>• \$13,726 in each year for Strategy C.1.1, Indirect Administration.</li> </ul> <p>Funds appropriated shall only be used toward the above for salaries and wages.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Martinez</b> Packet p. 33 860192</p>	<p>Amendment would appropriate \$15 million for the biennium from the general revenue fund to provide grants for flood control and mitigation in Hidalgo County, Precinct 1. With interstate 2 being the main highway through which the area receives disaster relief, the local roads to access the highway have been left impassable in the past during flood disasters. This has resulted in over half the homes being flooded and inaccessible by emergency services. This amendment would help allocate funds to prevent this in the future.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Shaheen</b> Packet p. 34 860200</p>	<p>Reduces appropriations from GR to the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor for State-Federal Regulations by \$950,000 each fiscal year of the biennium. Appropriations for GR to the DFPS for Central Administration is increased by \$900,000 each fiscal year of the biennium. Adds a rider to create a Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation division under DFPS requiring at least \$900,000 of funds for each fiscal year of the biennium. In addition, the appropriations of GR to Women’s Health Programs is increased by \$50,000 each fiscal year of the biennium. An added rider requires that those funds be used for a Texas Human Trafficking Resource Center.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Wu</b> Packet p. 36 860142</p>	<p>In an effort to reduce the juvenile incarceration rates, as well as recidivism, this amendment puts an emphasis on diversion initiatives by taking \$2,500,000 out of the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor’s, Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and the same amount from the Department of Criminal Justice’s Strategy, C.1.1, Correctional Security Operations for the state fiscal biennium ending August 21, 2021. The \$5,000,000 would go toward increasing the appropriations for Juvenile Justice Department’s Strategy A.1.5, Commitment Diversion Initiatives, while giving priority in the grant process to local probation departments in rural counties.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>


<p><b>Stucky</b> Packet p. 37 860030</p>	<p>The DPS office in Denton often has lines waiting out the door and they are housed in the same office from the 70's but the population of Denton has tripled.</p> <p>The amendment would reallocate \$3,517,188 million from the Office of the Governor criminal justice and put it towards the Denton driver's license office. The office shall have 12 more working stations and 2 commercial driver's license testing lanes. The allocation also grants for 33.5 full time employees to be hired in the biennium.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Wu</b> Packet p. 38 860141</p>	<p>The amendment would take \$5 million from the office of the governor criminal justice and give the \$5 million to the Juvenile Justice Department in order to fund single grant applications and those of which need to be given priority to rural probation departments.</p> <p>The goal of the amendment is to keep as many juveniles out of jail as possible. The funding would facilitate more community supervision in rural areas where they need it the most.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Gutierrez</b> Packet p. 40 860108</p>	<p>The amendment would reduce appropriations to the Homeland Security fund within the Office of the Governor and reallocate it to the Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant program, which supports military defense impacted communities and funds are granted by the Texas Military Preparedness Commission in accordance to the Create Jobs and Promote Texas Strategy and for economic development. The funding is being drawn down from the state's Strategy for Homeland Security because the state already receives sufficient funding with current federal match dollars.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Cain</b> Packet p. 41 860310</p>	<p>This amendment would add \$10 million in GR for member office budgets. It would also contingent on HJR 10 create the Texas Legacy Fund and the Texas Legacy distribution fund, with an addition of \$10 million to the Texas Legacy Fund.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Leach</b> Packet p. 42 860051</p>	<p>This amendment reduces money appropriated to The Truusted Programs within the Office of the Governor (Moving Image Industry Incentive Program) by \$18 million for the biennium. Those funds are appropriated to the Women's Health Programs by \$9 million per fiscal year of the biennium. Women's Health Programs provides significant services to improve women's health outcomes in Texas.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Dominguez</b> Packet p. 43 860124</p>	<p>In an effort to better address high poverty, high unemployment, and low per capita income students, this amendment reduces \$10,000,000 from the Texas Enterprise Fund. The funds would be re-appropriated to the Texas Workforce Commission's Skills Development strategy, which provides grants to public junior colleges and public technical colleges to develop customized training programs specific to business needs, training equipment that leads to certification and employment, fast track curriculum development, instructor certification, and rapid response workforce development support for growing or recruiting businesses to a rural or urban community.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Harless</b> Packet p. 44 860138</p>	<p>Reduces appropriations from the Truusted Program within the Office of the Governor by \$3,100,000 for fiscal year 2019 and increases appropriations to ECI services respectively for fiscal year 2020. ECI services were fully funded as requested for the upcoming biennium.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Gutierrez</b> Packet p. 45 860041</p>	<p>To support an environmental study along the border on water and flooding the Water Development Board will receive \$2,100,000 from the Truusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in the fiscal year 2020.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>



<p><b>J. Gonzalez</b> Packet p. 46 860274</p>	<p>This amendment transfers \$1,000,000 from the Texas Enterprise Fund to the Criminal Justice Strategy for Prostitution Prevention Programs rider. This is an interagency transfer in the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor. These funds will create grants to counties for the implementation of prostitution prevention and pre-arrest diversion for those already engaged in prostitution. This amendment will help increase services for sex trafficking victims rather than continuing to criminalize them.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Dominguez</b> Packet p. 47 860125</p>	<p>Amendment 125 takes out \$1 million from the Texas Enterprise Fund, under Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor. These funds will be redistributed to DSHS at a rate of 500k per year for the years 2020 and 2021. This is to be used for the strategy Border Health and Colonias. This would increase the strategy's appropriations by nearly a third for the biennium. The Texas Enterprise Fund awards grants to companies who choose Texas over another state for a project. This serves to provide financial incentives for companies to bring projects to Texas. Due to the growing population along the border and the Rio Grande Valley, it may be prudent to transfer less than one percent of the appropriations from the Texas Enterprise Fund to the Office of Border Public Health.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Dominguez</b> Packet p. 48 860123</p>	<p>This amendment reduces money appropriated to The Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor from the Texas Enterprise Fund by \$440,000 for the biennium and directs it towards the Department of Public Safety for Facilities Management. The appropriation shall be used for the Tactical Training Facility in Cameron County. Currently, law enforcement agencies South of San Antonio must travel to other cities for active shooter training. The Department of Public Safety and the Governor's office would like to expand a training center in the Brownsville area to address this issue.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Jarvis, Johnson</b> Packet p. 49 860101</p>	<p>This amendment reduces the "Create Jobs and Promote Texas" section in the Trusteed Programs section within the Office of the Governor \$384,241,912 to \$383,891,912 to allocate the difference of \$350,000 of funds to conduct a Lone Star College System Study for the implementation and benefits of converting the Acres Home Chamber of Commerce to a Town Center. The study that will be conducted is to identify resources that will ensure the success of the Acres Home Chamber of Commerce as a town center, as well as allowing for the growth of the community by attracting new businesses and expanding opportunities for employment within. This Acres Home Chamber of Commerce transition is part of a pilot community initiative that will benefit the community.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Rosenthal</b> Packet p. 50 860173</p>	<p>This amendment reduces the ESF funding for the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor by \$5,000,000 and directs it to TEA's Texas Safe and Healthy Schools Initiative. Within the TEA, the Texas Safe and Healthy Schools Initiative uses the \$5,000,000 to increase funding to \$10,000,000 to support one Full Time Employee (FTE) at Education Service Centers to increase local support for mental health. Education Service Centers are not arms of the TEA, but rather they support local school districts by promoting the TEA's mission goals and objectives to being a quality education for all students.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Martinez</b> Packet p. 52 860157</p>	<p>This amendment would transfer the larger amount of \$200,000 or 10% of the fees collected for the issuance of renewal of handgun licenses from the Department of Public Safety issuance and modernization strategy to fund grants to local government entities to conduct safety program to discourage celebratory gun discharges by Texas citizens. Similar safety programs to discourage celebratory gun discharge has resulted in the decline of such shootings in Arizona.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Blanco</b> Packet p. 53 860255</p>	<p>The decennial census from the federal government helps determine how much federal funding a state will receive. If citizens from that state are unaccounted for, the state will not receive that funding from the federal government</p> <p>The amendment would allocate \$50 million from the unexpected and unobligated balances out of the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor to for grants to local governments for efforts to encourage full participation in the 2020 census. The grants should be awarded first to local governments that have already established census outreach efforts that have traditionally hard to count populations.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>



<p><b>Nevarez</b> Packet p. 54 860212</p>	<p>Currently, local government entities have been losing funding for the regulation of the Mexico-U.S. border. The amendment would allocate \$320,000 in the next biennium to award grant money to local government entities to support participation of local organizations that raise awareness of border security and economic development in the area. The entities would raise awareness concerning the system of dual check points that have to be crossed at the border in effort to reduce current burden on the officers at the checkpoints.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Blanco</b> Packet p. 55 860026</p>	<p>This amendment increases appropriations to the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor for Local Border Security Grants by \$20 million to support Operation Border Star. The amendment also adds that grants may be awarded to local units of government and non-profits for the reimbursement of expenses used for humanitarian assistance of unaccompanied minors and families.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Blanco</b> Packet p. 56 860078</p>	<p>Rider 21 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor is to be amended by adding language to expand discretionary spending by the Governor when awarding grants related to local border security. It specifies that the grant funds may be awarded to local units of government and non-profits for the reimbursement of expenses incurred for the humanitarian assistance of unaccompanied minors and families, including expenses incurred for public safety, medical care, shelter, transportation, and nourishment. The need for this type of reimbursement comes from the fact that the City of El Paso and surrounding areas are dealing with a large influx of migrants. As of March 2019, over 50,000 migrants have entered El Paso, compared to 18,000 throughout all of fiscal year 2018. Hundreds of migrants are released from the care of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on a weekly basis, which has pushed community groups that have been offering services to their limits. These local non-profits have requested help from the City of El Paso with such things as shelters in order to prevent immigrants from dwelling on the streets after being released because they have no place to go. Director of Annunciation House was recently reported that from November 2018 to March 2019 they have already approached \$1,000,000 in expense just for hotels due to the shortages of shelters for migrants who are dropped off on the streets once released from ICE detention centers. The current approach and expenses being incurred are unsustainable at this rate.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Perez</b> Packet p. 57 860298</p>	<p>This amendment adds a rider that requires the Office of the Governor to allocate up to \$3,000,000 in funds for the formation of the Small Business Capital Access Program. These funds are contingent upon the passage of HB 3942 or similar legislation regarding assisting small businesses access to small business loans.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Guillen</b> Packet p. 58 860328</p>	<p>This amendment would ensure funds given to Grants for Technology Infrastructure would only be used for the construction and maintenance of interoperable statewide emergency radio infrastructure. In relation to HB 2952, funds would be used in a loan program for qualifying entities to create infrastructure and would have no fiscal impact.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Jessica Gonzalez</b> Packet p. 59 860275</p>	<p>This amendment requests that the Office of the Governor out of funds appropriated for Criminal Justice submit a report on the threats of domestic terrorism, including white nationalism, to Texans. Texas has the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest number of active hate groups. In 2018, seventy-three hate groups were traced in Texas. This amendment will help provide transparency to the level of domestic terrorism activity found in the state.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Meza</b> Packet p. 60 860324</p>	<p>This amendment omits access to the “Create Jobs and Promote Texas” funds for employers that have a major outsourcing contract or relocated 100 or more jobs within the previous 18 months. This fund is used to employ Texans and contribute to the growth of Texas economy. Employers described would be taking jobs from Texans. This amendment would set specific requirements for the usage of this fund.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>





<p><b>Meza</b> Packet p. 61 860323</p>	<p>This amendment omits access to the “Create Jobs and Promote Texas” funds for the salary, benefits, or wages of any employee or contractor whose hourly wage is less than \$15/hr. or whose salary averages less than \$15/hr. This will ensure that the funds are given to jobs that pay livable wages for their employees to contribute to economic growth in Texas.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Thierry</b> Packet p. 62 860205</p>	<p>Contingent on the passage of HB 1771 or other similar legislation, of the 86<sup>th</sup> Regular Session, relating to a prohibition on prosecuting or referring to juvenile court a person younger than 18 years of age for certain conduct violating the offense of prostitution and to the provision of services to those persons.  Reduces \$577,650 in appropriations from the general revenue to the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor for Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, in the state fiscal year ending August 31, 2020, and \$570,650 in the state fiscal year ending August 31, 2021, in order to fund services under HB 1771 or similar legislation.  This amendment will allow the creation of a customized package of services to fit the victim’s immediate and long-term rehabilitation and treatment needs, and other services legislated by the Governor’s Program for Victims of Child Sex Trafficking.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Murr</b> Packet p. 63 860120</p>	<p>The amendment requires that no less than 20% of funds allocated for courthouse preservation grants to be rewarded to counties that collect less than \$5,000,000 in property tax.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Darby</b> Packet p. 64 860107</p>	<p>This amendment specifies how appropriated Receipts and Interagency Contracts to the Statewide Technology Account may be spent. The amounts appropriated are \$12,412,093 for the biennium. The purpose of these funds is to provide operating and indirect administrative costs related to Statewide Technology Centers, Restricts use for servicing providers for the centers.</p>	<p><b>Will of the House</b></p>
<p><b>Guillen</b> Packet p. 65 860329</p>	<p>This amendment would require the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and the Veterans Crisis Line phone numbers and respective websites to be prominently displayed on Texas.gov websites. No fiscal Impact.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Hernandez</b> Packet p. 66 860022</p>	<p>This amendment would add a rider to the Preservation Board for the purpose of Accessibility Improvements at the State Capitol. Currently there are no funds dedicated for this purpose. This rider would increase appropriations to the Preservation Board by \$1 million from the Economic Stabilization Fund. The amendment would also decrease \$1 million dollars from the Department of Public Safety for border security purposes.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Gutierrez</b> Packet p. 67 860035</p>	<p>This amendment appropriates of GR \$400,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2021 to mental health state hospitals. The funds are taken from the Secretary of State Elections Administrations for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 respectively. Election Administrations pursues voter fraud and focuses on a miniscule issue. These funds are better spent supporting frontline staff in Texas’ state hospitals. The new rider states that the funds must be used to compensate nurses working in state mental health hospitals at a total of \$1.9million.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>

<p><b>Beckley</b> Packet p. 68 860179</p>	<p>This amendment is contingent to the passage of HB 1200 or similar legislation relating to same-day voter registration. This amendment adds a rider that will appropriate \$200,000 to the Secretary of State financing voter registration strategy. These funds will be allocated for the cost of technology associated with same-day voter registration at early voting polling locations.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>
<p><b>Miller</b> Packet p. 69 860146</p>	<p>This amendment creates a rider under the HHSC bill pattern to establish a Veterans Recovery Pilot Program under the Additional Advocacy Programs strategy. To do so, the amendment pulls \$1 million from the General Assistance Grants strategy of the Texas Veterans Commission bill pattern, a 4% reduction, and places it under the HHSC Additional Advocacy Programs strategy, a 48% increase.</p> <p>The Veterans Recovery Pilot Program will provide certain veterans with hyperbaric oxygen treatment (HBOT). This same treatment has been offered to a small number of veterans by the US Department of Veteran Affairs to treat post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms in Veterans.</p>	<p><b>Favorable</b></p>