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ARTICLE IX - Amendment Floor Report for HB 1 – Wednesday, March 27, 2019		)
Author	Analysis	Recommendation
<b>Minjarez</b> P. 311 860312	Currently under Equity Adjustments in Article XI, legislation says that a state agency "may" adjust the salary rate of an employee who works in a position classified under the position classification plan. This amendment seeks to change the language to "shall". The position classification provides a salary structure for state employees. The Plan is based on a job analysis called "job classification" where the jobs are divided into groups that describe the nature of the work performed. Each job classification in the Plan corresponds with a salary schedule that provides minimum and maximum salaries. This amendment addresses the people who need protection from being paid unfairly for the amount of work they are doing.	Favorable
<b>Swanson</b> P. 312 860195	This amendment strikes the provision currently exempting hospitals licensed under Chapter 241, and offices exempted under Sec. 245.004(2) of the Health and Safety Code, from limitations on funding if provider or agency performs an abortion procedure (during the period of funding) that is not reimbursable under the state's Medicaid program. This would prevent Texas Hospitals from receiving millions of dollars for uncompensated care under the 1115 Transformation Waiver.	Unfavorable
<b>Middleton</b> P. 313 860193	A political subdivision is a local government section such as counties, cities and special districts such as school districts.  The amendment aims to prohibit the lease of a property by a political subdivision to an entity that performs or makes referrals to abortions; that is owned, managed, or controlled by an entity that performs or makes referrals for abortions; or is a franchise of an entity that performs or makes a referral for an abortion. This would make certain urban centers that are primarily land owned by political subdivisions a desert for reproductive health centers that perform abortion services.	Unfavorable
<b>Capriglione</b> P. 314 860187	This amendment references Contract Management and Oversight and adds a subdivision following: agencies should make good faith effort for savings and efficiencies with contracted goods and services. The legislation state that an agency of higher education facility can't use funds appropriated to pay for contracted goods and services unless:  The added subdivision in this amendment states that the third situation where an agency of a higher education facility can pay for contracted goods and services is if the vendor being contracted hasn't been found by an oversight authority—legal proceedings, settlement actions, or mediation—involving contract breach and failure to pay amends for the breach.	Favorable
<b>Capriglione</b> P. 315 860177	This amendment adds a rider to Miscellaneous Provisions in Article IX. This rider is contingent upon HB 1096 being voted into law. HB 1096 defines and updates the descriptions of different types of technology systems.  This amendment appropriates funds by the amount of \$5,848,000 to the state technology modernization account for the biennium.	Favorable with concerns

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	The amendment also seeks to reduce the appropriations for Child Support Enforcement found in the Office of the Attorney General by \$17,200,000 for the biennium by striking subdivisions for Child Support TXCSES 2.0 Managed Services and Child Support TXCSES 2.0 from Rider No. 2 Capital Budget.	
	The legislation mentioned above is aiming to defund the T2 program which is a massive system upgrade intended to process child support payments and investigations at the attorney general's office. The program was started in 2007 by Greg Abbott when he was Attorney General. The program has issues with funding employees were concerned because they were underpaid for a period of time and the project has trouble staying on schedule. T2 makes efforts to restructure and sometimes the project has done better than other times. It started with myriad of problems, such as a bloated bureaucracy, poor quality work and a tendency to push off deadlines. Problems are current because in December there were problems with deadlines being pushed back again.	
	In summary, the amendment takes \$17,200,000 from the Child Support Enforcement fund and appropriates \$5,848,000 to the state modernization account for the biennium.	
<b>Stickland</b> P. 317 860220	Amendment would prohibit the use of state money to move, modify, or relocate historical monuments. The reason for this rider is to prohibit the modification of current confederate monuments that have recently met backlash from the public.	Unfavorable
<b></b>	This amendment adds a section to General Limits on Expenditures prohibiting border walls, fences, or barriers at the United States' international border with Mexico and prohibiting use of appropriations for the construction or maintenance of border walls, fences, or barriers.	
<b>Muñoz</b> P. 318 860248	This amendment aims to protect the 100-year-old La Lomita Chapel from being cut off from its neighboring community by the interference of a wall structure. The barriers would also divide the Bentsen State Park which would interfere with tourism and functionality of the park. Construction of a wall, fence, or barrier in these locations would violate the First Amendment's right to free exercise of religion and the provisions of the Religious Freedom Act.	Favorable
<b>Cain</b> P. 319 860259	Amendment would prevent state spending related to human fetal tissue whether direct, indirect, or dealing with an entity that does research on or with fetal tissue obtained from an elective abortion. The use of stem cells retrieved from elective abortions can be medically useful in the research and disease prevention.	Unfavorable
<b>J. Gonzalez</b> P. 320 860272	This amendment seeks to add a rider to Miscellaneous Provisions prohibiting the Use of Appropriated Money for School Choice Programs.  Amendment states that money appropriated here can't be used for a school voucher, educations savings account, or tax credit scholarship program or something similar for a child to use state money for non-public primary or secondary education.	Favorable
<b>Flynn</b> P. 321 860136	This amendment would add a rider to Part 17, Article IX, contingent upon passage of HB 3745, or similar legislation relating to Texas emissions reduction plan fund and account. The rider would increase general revenue appropriations for the Military Department accordingly:  \$\circ\$ \$31,163,682 for facilities management operations for FY 2020 and;	Unfavorable

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	<ul> <li>\$3,423,887 for Texas State Guard expansion, \$349,500 for mental health and service member care, and \$2,902,455 for emergency and disaster</li> <li>preparedness for each year of the fiscal biennium</li> <li>The rider would reduce proportionately the Article VI, under the Commission on Environmental Quality Strategy by \$37,839,524 for FY 2020 and by \$6,675,842 for FY 2021.</li> </ul>	
<b>Goldman</b> P. 323 860183	This amendment is contingent upon the enactment of HB 1695, or similar legislation relating to the transfer of regulation of motor fuel metering and motor fuel quality from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Licensing and Regulation. Upon passage of HB 1695, the rider would reduce Appropriated Receipts from the Weights/Measures Device Accuracy Strategy under the Department of Agriculture by \$898,966 for each year of the biennium to fund the equivalent increased Appropriated Receipts amount for implementation of legislation, including 6.7 FTE's.	Will of the House
<b>Cain</b> P. 324 860266	This amendment would reduce the appropriation to the Historical Commission by \$10,000 per biennium ending in Fiscal year 2021. The reduction in appropriation will be allocated to Texas Education Agency for providing property tax relief. The Historical commission will have a reduction in expenditure of gifts or donations by \$10,000 per biennium. This would affect the commission's ability to give out scholarships for those who may be economically disadvantaged and increase equity in opportunities for higher education	Unfavorable
<b>Toth</b> P. 325 860307	This amendment reduces appropriations under Article X in efforts to reduce the state tax compression percentage and thus offer school district property tax relief. It adds Sec. 17 which specifies that all undedicated general revenue made by this Act, except for appropriations made in Article III, is reduced by 8 percent (allocated proportionally to each strategy). The equivalent amount of appropriations would be increased for the TEA to lower the state's compression percentage. This amendment allows for the state to add more funding to the share of funding for public education. The funds from the state will be appropriated to the TEA to provide school district property tax relief by reducing the state compression percentage which is already addressed by HB3 and Article III as they have proposed significant tax compression and funding for property tax relief, and additional funding for that purpose is not needed.	Unfavorable
<b>Shaheen</b> P. 326 860291	Any unappropriated or unexpended balances left at the end of the fiscal year that have not been encumbered by the budget will be allocated to the Foundation school Fund No. 193 to provide local property tax relief. This will be contingent on the passing of HB 3. This could lift some burden off of districts in recapture of funds.	Favorable
<b>Cain</b> P. 327 860268	This amendment reduces appropriations throughout the GAA in efforts to reduce the state tax compression percentage and thus offer school district property tax relief. It adds Sec. 17 which specifies that all undedicated general revenue made by this Act, except for appropriations made in Article III, is reduced by 17 percent (allocated proportionally to each strategy). The equivalent amount of appropriations would be increased for the TEA to lower the state's compression percentage which is already addressed by HB3 and Article III as they have proposed significant tax compression and funding for property tax relief, and additional funding for that purpose is not needed.	Unfavorable
<b>Krause</b> P. 328 860111	This amendment reduces appropriations throughout the GAA in efforts to reduce the state compression percentage and thus offer school district property tax relief. It adds Sec. 17 which specifies that all undedicated general revenue made by this Act, except for appropriations made in Article III, is reduced by 7 percent (allocated proportionally to each strategy). The equivalent amount of appropriations would be increased for the TEA to lower the state compression percentage, which is already addressed by HB3 and Article III as they have proposed significant tax compression and funding for property tax relief, and additional funding for that purpose is not needed.	Unfavorable

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<b>Middleton</b> P. 330 860197	This amendment reduces appropriations throughout the GAA in efforts to reduce the state compression percentage and thus offer school district property tax relief. It adds Sec. 17 which specifies that all undedicated general revenue made by this Act, except for appropriations made in Article III, is reduced by 3 percent (allocated proportionally to each strategy). The equivalent amount of appropriations would be increased for the TEA to lower the state's compression percentage, which is already addressed by HB3 and Article III as they have proposed significant tax compression and funding for property tax relief, and additional funding for that purpose is not needed.	Unfavorable
<b>Schaefer</b> P. 329 860253	This amendment would reduce appropriations throughout the GAA to reduce the tax rate by 7% on all agencies except appropriations to the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired or the Texas School for the Deaf or to Teacher Retirement. These organizations would be exempt as some populations that require a larger allocation to maintain accessible resources. This amendment reduces appropriations under Article IX in efforts to reduce the state compression percentage and thus offer school district property tax relief. HB3 and Article III as they have proposed significant tax compression and funding for property tax relief, and additional funding for that purpose is not needed.	Unfavorable

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M. Gonzalez P. 332 860301	This amendment would, out of funds appropriated, increase House Member interim office budgets relative to adjustments adopted for Senate Member interim office budgets. It is unclear as to how these adjustments would be distributed, however this is essential for consistency between the legislative houses.	Favorable
<b>Howard</b> P. 333 860281	This amendment updates the language in Rider 5, an Audit Plan of Disposition of Sexual Assault Investigations, to require collaborative efforts between state and local entities (Houston, Austin, Dallas, San Antonio, and El Paso) to assess sexual assault investigations by developing an audit plan. The purpose of this amendment is to ensure transparency and collaboration from governmental agencies that play a key role in investigating, trials, and prosecution of sexual assault cases ensuring best practices are being used to effectively audit these processes by the State Auditor's Office (SAO). Reports must be posted on SAO's website as well as distributed to state legislature leadership, legislative reference library, and any other offices, agencies and task force working on DNA related issues. Appropriated funds must be used to fund a contract with a Combined DNA Index Systems (CODIS) administrators to staff DNA labs that process forensic evidence in sexual assault cases to assess CODIS in Texas.  This amendment creates a process that will enhance local and state efforts provide an effective process in handling Sexual Assault crimes, including justice for the victims.	Favorable
<b>Howard</b> P. 335 860282	This amendment updates the language in Rider 5, an Audit Plan of Disposition of Sexual Assault Investigations, to require collaborative efforts between state and local entities (Houston, Austin, Dallas, San Antonio, and El Paso) to assess sexual assault investigations by developing an audit plan. The audit plan must analyze the information relating to the commission of Sexual Assault offenses including information including:  • Number of cases that were forwarded to the appropriate local county or district attorney  • Number of cases that are closed or inactive without being forwarded to the appropriate county or district attorney  • Number of cases not prosecuted, reasons for not being prosecuted  • Number of cases dismissed after indictment has be filed	Favorable

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M. Gonzalez P. 337 860063	This amendment would, out of funds appropriated, require the State Auditor to review each third-grade standardized test in the STAAR to determine whether the assessment instrument is able to accurately measure student success. Questions about the accuracy of the third-grade reading STAAR reading levels have come to light in the past month. This review would help the legislatures better understand the problem and how to address it.	Favorable
Hinojosa 860342	Currently, agencies provide a 5-year strategic plan to the offices of the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor every even numbered year. This report includes information on the agency's priorities, resource needs, and goals. The offices then develop the elements from the strategic plans.  Amendment 342 requires the Legislative Budget Board to use existing resources to include a Survey of Employee Engagement in the elements for the agencies' strategic plans. This survey will include anonymous information about employees' attitudes towards the agency, work, and work relationships. This will help the offices of the Governor as well as the Legislative Budget Board to identify agencies which may have a higher potential for being unproductive or unconducive to collaboration.	Favorable

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Stucky P. 352 860032	This amendment adds a rider that is contingent on the passing of HB 14. HB 14 creates a loan repayment program for peace officers. A peace officer is a designated civil officer that maintains law and order such as a school police officer, parks and recreation office, and wildlife rangers etc. The amendment aims to appropriates \$2,500,000 to the Higher Education Coordinating Board for the purpose of funding the loan repayment program for peace officers who qualify for this financial assistance.	Favorable
<b>Geren</b> P. 359 860047	This amendment aims to provide funding for the Center for Human Identification at the University of North Texas Health Science Center-Fort Worth. The center is focused on specialized forensic genetic and genomic analyses for trafficked, missing, and unidentified persons. \$20 million is appropriated from GR for the center. \$4,456 is allocated per forensic case based on how many forensic reference samples and human remains there were in 2018. The amendment adds 55 FTEs to the Center for Human Identification.	Favorable
Thompson P. 339 860050	This amendment appropriates money to Office of the Attorney General contingent upon passage of HB 3800 (or SB 1920) which relates to peace officers and prosecutors reporting cases of human trafficking. An unspecified amount of money will be appropriated to fund this legislation.  HB 3800 creates a statewide human trafficking database to help casework, law enforcement, and prosecutors by establishing a partnership with a Texas university and the Office of the Attorney General's Human Trafficking and Transnational/Organized Crime Section to collect and analyze	Favorable

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	information to assist in the fight against human trafficking. Amendment 50 and HB 3800 were authored at the request of the Office of the Attorney General.	
Craddick/Landgraf P. 354 860059	This amendment aims to increase the GR appropriated funds by the amount of \$4,597,922 to the College of Engineering for the biennium under the University of Texas of the Permian Basin bill pattern. This amendment is to use the GR College of Engineering appropriated funds of \$2,298,861 in each fiscal year for laboratory equipment.	Favorable
Craddick/Landgraf P. 355 860065	This amendment aims to increase appropriated funds by the amount of \$2,000,000 for Instruction Enhancement by the biennium for the University of Texas of the Permian Basin bill pattern.	Favorable
Craddick/Landgraf P. 356 860067	The amendment allocates \$2, 211, 756 for the biennium for the University of Texas at Permian Basin for institutional enhancement.	Favorable
<b>Phelan</b> P. 347 860103	The amendment appropriates \$500,000 per fiscal year of the biennium from the TEA Achievements of Student at Risk strategy to fund an after-school program. This program must focus on literacy for pre-kindergarten through 5th grade aged children and provide instruction on math skills, social-emotional learning, and offer at-home visits. This program must be available for Jefferson County and surrounding counties.	Favorable
Sherman P. 258 860103	This amendment increased appropriated funds by the amount of \$20,000,000 to the Student Mobility, Transfer and Success Initiative at University of North Texas at Dallas. This rider will direct 20 million to provide funds allowing UNT Dallas to enhance their recruiting, advising, and the application/admission process and then also mentoring, tutoring, monitoring to increase graduation rates.	Favorable
<b>Phelan</b> P. 341 860105	The amendment allocates and increases \$1 million towards the Department of Family and Protective Services under the C.1.5 Home Visiting Program for an emotional support program intended for parents or caregivers from pre-birth to 5 years old. The funding will be used toward the establishment of this program. The organization that creates the emotional support program must provide books and learning opportunities for the child as well as instruction in the family's home to the parents about basic development of the child, accessibility to school, and tips on how to parent.	Favorable
<b>Hunter</b> P. 342 860137	The amendment appropriates funds from GR (to the extent available) for the fiscal year ending in August 2020 to the Department of Housing and Community Affairs specifically for affordable rental housing in areas of Nueces County affected by natural disaster. Funds shall not exceed \$4 million.	Favorable

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<b>Turner</b> P. 345 860158	The DSRIP, or Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment, portion of the Texas 1115 waiver was originally intended as a federal financial incentive for states to prepare their healthcare systems for Medicaid Expansion. However, the federal government directed Texas to build successful DSRIP projects into basic Medicaid Managed Care coverage, and Texas is being phased out by CMS by 2021. It is imperative that Texas develops a plan to sustain its access to care from DSRIP programs before that funding ends. – The DSRIP funding pool will drop from \$3.1 billion in 2018 and 2019, to \$2.91 billion in 2020, \$2.49 billion in 2021, and \$0 in 2022.  This amendment adds a rider to Article XI to create a phasing out plan from DSRIP for adults with serious mental illness. Working with CMS HHSC is required to establish a delivery plan to succeed the Texas Health Care Transformation and Quality Improvement Program 1115 Waiver. In order to prepare for an effective and successful transition, the amendment requires that HHSC maximizes the state's capability for federal matching to at least sustain services for those in this population who have incomes at or below the federal poverty level. HHSC must also provide incentives for providers whose quality metrics show positive treatment outcomes for the target population of adults with serious mental illness. These metrics include provision of integrated care, use of appropriate data systems, provision of criminal justice interface, and assistance securing stable housing.  This amendment is a duplicate to 860140 which has been filed in Article II by Representative Turner.	Favorable
<b>Deshotel</b> P. 343 860174	This amendment adds a rider to appropriate \$1 million from GR for the Home Visiting Program through DFPS to provide emotional support for pregnant women or families with children under six years of age.	Favorable
<b>Deshotel</b> P.348 860182	This amendment would allocate \$1 million starting in fiscal biennium 2019 to After School programs through TEA. This would include foundational mathematics, social and emotional support to children in the program, and the offering of at-home visitation programming. This would be available to children residing in Jefferson and adjacent counties.	Favorable
<b>Klick</b> P.350 860231	Contingent on the passing of HB 3111, SB 2300, or similar legislation relating to the authorization of loan repayment program for nurses, this amendment appropriates \$4 million out of the general revenue fund to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the biennium. Nursing professionals take on many certifications and continuing education courses. Tuition forgiveness can incentivize retention in the field.	Favorable
<b>Krause</b> P. 361 860249	Amendment 249 appropriates \$1 million to the Parks and Wildlife Department from general revenue for the purpose of making a grant to the Texas State Aquarium for the development of the Texas Center for Wildlife Rescue, Recovery, and Research.	Favorable
Gonzalez, J P. 349 860269	Contingent on the passing of HB 3275 or similar legislation relating to the repeal of the exemption from the severance tax for flared or vented gas, this amendment appropriates \$10,000,000 for the biennium which will be allocated from the general revenue fund to maximize basic allotment in the Foundation School Program under the strategy Texas Education Agency.	Favorable

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Gonzalez, J P. 363 860273	Contingent on the passing of HB 327, relating to state assistance for school employees uniform group health coverage, this amendment would an increase of the state contribution to Teacher Retirement System from \$900 to \$1,800 per covered employee per fiscal year - \$3600 per biennium. This would be used to help account for rising costs of healthcare. Funds would be allocated from the General Revenue Fund.	Favorable
<b>Leach</b> P. 340 860297	This amendment is contingent on the passing of HB 3983 or similar legislation relating to service retirement benefits payable to Employee Retirement System to commissioned peace officers employed by the attorney general. An undetermined amount of money will be appropriated from the general revenue to the Employee Retirement Search for the 2021 fiscal year. This increases the state contribution to both the Law Enforcement and Custodial Officer Supplemental Retirement Fund as well as the retirement system in order to offset any increased unfunded actuarial liability of the retirement system. With an undetermined amount in payout, fiscal impact projection can be made.	Favorable, with concerns.
<b>Walle</b> P. 351 860304	This amendment would be contingent on the passing of HB 2261 or similar legislation relating to the physician education loan repayment programs. To fund the legislation, this amendment appropriates \$4,912,293 for the biennium from general revenue. This would help physicians with the steep amount of loan repayments.	Favorable
<b>Walle</b> P. 362 860308	This amendment is contingent with the passage of HJR 11, SJR 79, or any legislation referring to proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance for the development of certain projects in economically distressed areas.  This amendment is will provide funding for projects that have been pre-approved to receive grant money from the Economic Distressed Area Program (EDAP) in 2010 and 2014. The amendment will authorize the bonds to be approved by voters and that the Water and Wastewater Projects in Harris County be prioritized by the Water Development Board.	Favorable
<b>Walle</b> P. 357 860309	This amendment will appropriate \$2,565,750 for the biennium to the University of Houston from the General Revenue Fund. The amendment will formalize minority retention as well as expand research and community engagement activities for the Mexican, Asian, and African American studies programs.	Favorable
<b>Cortez</b> P. 346 860317	This amendment aims to add the Epilepsy Program as an item by the amount of \$387,562 to the Health and Human Services Commission. These funds will be appropriated from the General Revenue and will be used to increase patient load, case management and patient services.	Favorable
<b>Walle</b> P. 353 860321	This amendment is contingent with passage of HB 2345 or similar legislation regarding resources to facilitate disaster mitigation, response and recovery. This amendment funds the Rebuild Texas Commission recommendations from Texas A&M University System and appropriates \$5 million throughout the biennium to the Texas A&M University System to implement provisions of the legislation.  In addition, also contingent on the passage of HB 2345 or similar legislation, this amendment will fund the implementation of a institute for a Disaster Resilient Texas as a component of the Texas A&M system that will collaborate with the Water Development Board to assist with Texas recovery after Hurricane Harvey. This amendment also appropriates \$161,054 throughout the biennium to the Water Development Board to implement provisions of HB 2345.	Favorable

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