

Rider Comparison Packet

Conference Committee on House Bill 1

2020-21 General Appropriations Bill

Article VII – Business and Economic Development

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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16. Funding to Address Youth Homelessness. From funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.1, Poverty-Related Funds, the Department of Housing and Community Affairs shall designate \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year for the purpose of assisting regional urban areas having a population of 285,500 or more, in providing services to unaccompanied homeless youth and homeless young adults 24 years of age and younger. Eligible services may include case management, emergency shelter, street outreach, and transitional living. The agency shall distribute these funds through the Homeless Housing and Services Program.

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10. Contingency for Driver License Program Transfer.

- (a) In addition to amounts appropriated above, the Department of Motor Vehicles is appropriated \$135,560,337 from the General Revenue Fund and \$4,610,318 from Other Funds in fiscal year 2021, and the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)” figure indicated above is increased by 2,236.8 FTEs in fiscal year 2021 for the purposes of administering the state driver license program.
- (b) In addition to amounts appropriated above, the Department of Motor Vehicles is appropriated \$200,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2020 and an additional 962.0 FTEs in each fiscal year of the 2020-21 biennium for the purposes of increasing driver license staff and improving service delivery at current driver license offices. The Department of Motor Vehicles is authorized to transfer to the Department of Public Safety any amounts necessary from appropriations made by this subsection to implement related legislation and legislative direction. Any unexpended balances of appropriations made by this subsection remaining as of August 31, 2020, are appropriated to the Department of Motor Vehicles in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020, for the same purposes.
- (c) In the event legislation relating to the transfer of the driver license program to the Department of Motor Vehicles is not enacted by the Eighty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, subsections (a) and (b) of this rider have no effect.

10. Unexpended Balances Within the Biennium. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2020, in appropriations made to the Department of Motor Vehicles are appropriated for the same purposes for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2020.

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11. District Discretionary Funds.

- a. Out of the funds appropriated above in Goal A, Project Development and Delivery, the Department of Transportation shall allocate a minimum of \$2.5 million for each district to the State District Discretionary Category each fiscal year. In addition, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor an annual report no later than November 1st each fiscal year detailing the amount of District Discretionary category funds used by each district for project cost overruns.
- b. Out of the funds appropriated above in Goal A, Project Development and Delivery, the Department of Transportation shall allocate, in addition to the allocations made under subsection (a) of this rider, funds to fund improvements designed to facilitate traffic related to motor vehicles, cargo, and rail, and improve the efficiency of border inspection and security processes at land ports of entry located within 50 miles of the Texas-Mexico border. In making allocations under this subsection, the department shall consider factors related to the movement of people and goods through the land border ports of entry within the boundaries of the state, including but not limited to the number of incoming commercial trucks and railcars, the number of incoming personal motor vehicles and buses, the weight of incoming cargo by commercial trucks, and the number of land border ports of entry.

14. Reporting Requirements.

- a. **Trade Transportation Activities.** The Department of Transportation shall provide a report to the department's border district legislators and to the respective metropolitan planning organizations on the department's trade transportation activities in such border districts during the 2020-21 biennium. The department shall report annually no later than January 1, each year of the biennium. The report shall also be provided to the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board.
- b. **Cash Forecast.** In addition to other information that might be requested by the Legislative Budget Board, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, a monthly cash forecast report to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor on state and federal funds received

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- c. **Project Status Report.** The Department of Transportation shall provide to each member of the House and Senate, unless a member requests it not be provided, a status report on all highway construction projects, airport projects, rail projects, toll road projects, turnpike projects, toll authorities, regional mobility authorities, and toll road conversion projects by legislative district, currently under contract or awaiting funding. The report shall include projects that would be funded fully or in part by state, federal, or toll funds. The report shall be filed prior to January 1, each fiscal year. In addition, 90 days prior to any loan being granted by the department for any project, all members of the district within which the project is located shall be notified on the status of the project and how other projects in any district would be affected.
- d. **Toll Project, Rail Project, and Toll Project Entities.**

The Department of Transportation shall provide, unless a member requests it not be provided, notification of:

- (1) all rail projects, toll road projects, and turnpike projects included in the draft Unified Transportation Program located within each member of the House and Senate's district no later than 10 days after being identified and at least 2 business days prior to public release of the draft Unified Transportation Program;
- (2) the receipt of an application requesting approval to create a regional mobility authority or regional tollway authority located within each member of the House and Senate's district no later than 10 days after receipt of an application and of the Transportation Commission's consideration of an application no later than 10 days prior to commission action;
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department that the board member owns or participates in any holding included in a proposed project immediately after the department receives that information; and

- (4) the receipt of written notification for a proposed passenger rail or toll road project within each member of the House and Senate's district, whether or not it involves any state or federal funding no later than 10 days after receipt.

- e. **Public Transportation Activities.** The Department of Transportation shall develop and submit an annual report to the Legislature no later than March 15, each fiscal year on public transportation activities in Texas. The report shall at a minimum include monthly data on industry utilized standards which best reflect: ridership, mileage, revenue by source, and service effectiveness, such as passengers per revenue mile. In order to meet the mandates of Chapter 461, Transportation Code, relating to the coordination of public transportation and to implement the legislative intent of §461.001, Transportation Code, the Department of Transportation is directed to engage the services of the Texas A&M Transportation Institute, or any entity that the Department of Transportation deems appropriate, to maintain an inventory of all public transportation providers in the state to determine the types and levels of services being provided by each of them and the extent to which those providers can assist the state in meeting the mandates of the statute.
- f. **State Transportation Improvement Program.** For each fiscal year in the biennium, the Department of Transportation shall provide a report, with results statewide by district, on the percentage of projects listed individually or by reference in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) that were let on or before the letting date provided in the STIP.
- g. **Electronic Format.** All reports to the Legislature outlined in this Rider and elsewhere in this Act relating to Toll Road Projects must be delivered to the Legislature in electronic formats and, if requested, in paper format.
- h. **Federal Funds Reporting Requirement.**
 - (1) The Department of Transportation shall provide to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor:

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 - (B) written notification outlining:
 - i. the use and projected impacts of any additional federal funds available to the

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(B) written notification outlining:

- i. the use and projected impacts of any additional federal funds available to the Department of Transportation above amounts estimated for the 2020-21 biennium; and/or
- ii. the Department of Transportation's plan for addressing any reductions in federal funds, including federally-mandated funding rescissions.

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(2) The Department of Transportation shall provide to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor any documentation required by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration regarding the Department of Transportation's proposed use of additional federal funds and/or proposed actions to address federal funds reductions, including federally-mandated funding rescissions, as soon as possible prior to submitting the required documentation to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration.

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i. **Toll Project Revenue and Funds Report.** Using funds appropriated above, the Department of Transportation shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, an annual report of all state toll project revenues received and any other related funds that are deposited outside of the state treasury, including the purpose and use of such funds by the department. The report shall be submitted no later than November 1, in each year of the biennium.

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j. **Appropriations from State Highway Fund No. 006 and Proposition 12 General Obligation Bonds.** Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the department shall provide the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor with a detailed plan for the use of appropriations from State Highway Fund No. 006 and Proposition 12 General Obligation Bond Proceeds which includes, but is not limited to:

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- (3) a district by district analysis of pavement score targets and how proposed maintenance spending will impact pavement scores in each district.

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- (2) a detailed account of the level of traffic congestion reduced by each proposed project, in districts that contain one of the 50 most congested roads; and
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- k. **Congested Road Segments.** Out of funds appropriated above, the department shall expend necessary funds to prominently post, no later than November 1, the top 100 congested road segments on its website and:
- (1) the annual hours of travel delays and the economic value of the delays for each segment;
 - (2) a congestion mitigation plan drafted in coordination with the local Metropolitan Planning Organization which shall include, when appropriate, alternatives to highway construction; and
 - (3) at least a quarterly update of the current status in completing the mitigation plan for each road segment.
- l. **Pass-through Tolling Agreements.** The Department of Transportation shall submit an annual report to the Legislative Budget Board no later than November 1 of each fiscal year, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, providing information on all existing pass-through tolling or pass-through financing agreements of the department.

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22. Comprehensive Development Agreements.

- a. The Department of Transportation may not expend any funds appropriated by this Act to enter into a comprehensive development agreement, unless the department submits a report to the Legislative Budget Board, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, that provides information regarding the location, project costs, and projected benefits to the state for each project proposed under a comprehensive development agreement; and the

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Legislative Budget Board issues a written approval.

- b. A request submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to subsection (a) shall be considered to be approved unless the Legislative Budget Board issues a written disapproval within 30 business days after the date the Legislative Budget Board 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.
- c. Additional information requested by the Legislative Budget Board regarding a request submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to subsection (a) shall be provided in a timely manner. Notwithstanding subsection (b), the Legislative Budget Board is authorized to suspend the approval of a request at any time pending the receipt of additional information requested of the Department of Transportation.

34. Performance Reporting for the Voluntary Turnback Program. Out of funds appropriated above, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) shall report on a biennial basis the following information to the Legislative Budget Board and the Office of the Governor no later than December 1, 2020: (1) the number of communities participating in the voluntary road turnback program; (2) a list of roads transferred to local governments; (3) the number of lane miles transferred to local governments; (4) information on the amount of maintenance funds made available associated with the transferred roads; (5) a list of maintenance projects on which the newly available funds are being spent; and (6) a list of the state's most eligible roads with potential for transfer. TxDOT should use this data to evaluate the turnback program and include recommendations to enhance the program in its biennial report.

40. Limitation on Expenditures for High-speed Rail.

- a. None of the funds appropriated above to the Department of Transportation from state funds may be used for the purposes of subsidizing or assisting in the planning, facility construction

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or maintenance, security for, or operation of high-speed rail operated by a private entity. If the Department of Transportation acts as a joint-lead agency with a federal agency under 40 C.F.R. Sec. 1506.2, this section does not prevent the Department of Transportation from using state funds to exercise its authority for oversight and coordination of federal processes and programs. For the purposes of this section, high-speed rail means intercity passenger rail service that is reasonably expected to reach speeds of at least 110 miles per hour.

- b. The Department of Transportation shall prepare a report every six months summarizing the number of Full-Time-Equivalent (FTE) hours and expenses related to private high-speed rail work. The report shall be distributed to members of the Legislature whose districts include the potential high-speed rail projects and the chairs of relevant policy committees in each chamber.
- c. Nothing in this provision is intended to preclude or limit the Department of Transportation from executing its responsibilities under state or federal law including regulatory responsibilities, oversight of transportation projects, environmental review, policy development, and communication with public officials, or from coordinating with high-speed rail in the same manner as it treats other entities that work with the Department in the planning and coordination of their projects.

40. Unexpended Balances Appropriation: Lease/Purchase of Intelligent Transportation System.

In addition to amounts appropriated above, any unexpended balances of lease revenue obligations and net proceeds of obligations remaining as of August 31, 2019, from amounts appropriated to the Department of Transportation in the 2018-19 biennium for the construction, acquisition, and installation of an Intelligent Transportation System at the International Ports of Entry at the Bridge of the Americas and the Zaragoza Bridge in El Paso, as authorized by Rider 49, Appropriation: Lease Purchase of Intelligent Transportation System, Article VII, Department of Transportation, Senate Bill 1, General Appropriations Act, Eighty-fifth Legislature, 2017, (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Department of Transportation in the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019, for the same purposes. In addition to amounts appropriated above, any unexpended balances of State Highway Funds remaining as of August 31, 2019, from appropriations made to the Department of Transportation for the 2018-19 biennium for lease payments to the Master Lease Purchase Program (MLPP) for the "Intelligent Transportation System (MLPP)" project (estimated

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to be \$0) are appropriated in the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2019, for the same purpose.

44. Unexpended Balance: Construction of Intelligent Transportation Systems. Out of amounts appropriated to the Department of Transportation by this Act, an amount not to exceed \$32,000,000 from any available source of revenue, including the balances in the Texas Mobility Fund No. 365, which is the same amount of funding authorized but not used for the construction of certain intelligent transportation systems in the 2018-19 biennium, shall be allocated to provide funding for the design, construction, acquisition, and installation of an intelligent transportation system and the design and construction of infrastructure projects at the international port of entry at the Bridge of the Americas and the international port of entry at the Ysleta Bridge, also known as the Zaragoza Bridge, in El Paso, on right of way or other property that is part of or outside the state highway system, to increase security measures and expedite border crossings and trade.

44. Limitation on Expenditures for High-speed Rail. None of the funds appropriated above to the Department of Transportation from state funds may be used for the purposes of subsidizing or assisting in the construction of high-speed passenger rail. If the Department of Transportation acts as a joint-lead agency with a federal agency under 40 C.F.R. §1506.2, this section does not prevent the Department of Transportation from using state funds to exercise its authority for oversight and coordination of federal processes and programs for a project that has a final Environmental Impact Statement and formal authorization to operate from all relevant federal authorities, entities, and agencies. The Department of Transportation shall not expend resources to coordinate access to right of ways on state highways for a high-speed rail project unless and until the high-speed rail project has established that it possesses eminent domain authority in the State of Texas through a final, non-appealable judgment entered by a Texas court of competent jurisdiction. For the purposes of this section, high-speed rail means intercity passenger rail service that is reasonably expected to reach speeds of at least 110 miles per hour.

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- 27. Professional Development for Early Childhood Education.** Out of federal Child Care Development Funds (CCDF) appropriated above, the Texas Workforce Commission shall dedicate \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 for programs that encourage increased participation in continuing professional development for early childhood professionals. Funding may be used to fund teacher training programs, programs that lead to a national credential in early childhood education, or work-study programs in child care. Funding may also be used for pilot programs that utilize tools for individualized instruction coupled with professional development components that support ongoing learning for teachers.
- 42. Adult Education and Family Literacy Workforce Diploma Program Pilot Project.** The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) may use funds appropriated above to develop and implement an AdvancED/SACS/NCA/NWAC accredited workforce-based high school diploma program pilot project with non-profit organizations or other private and regionally accredited school districts. The pilot project is designed to facilitate increased participation in adult diploma and technical training programs for high demand jobs. Pilot project outcomes will demonstrate more effective job placement and/or matriculation into post-secondary training programs for high demand job fields. The workforce diploma program pilot project shall include a graduation plan designed to lead to an accredited high school diploma; comprehensive career/college preparation program including research tools and career readiness soft skills training; technical training; and facilitated transition to employment. Federal funds appropriated for adult basic education may only be used to the extent allowable under Federal regulations. TWC shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor, no later than November 1, 2020, a report that includes an evaluation of the effectiveness of the pilot project detailing number of graduates and successful job placements, as well as earnings for successful graduates.

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- 42. Adult Education and Family Literacy Workforce Diploma Program Pilot Project.** The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) may use funds appropriated above to develop and implement a workforce diploma program pilot project with non-profit organizations or other private entities to provide program services designed to facilitate increased participation in adult diploma and technical training programs and more effective job placement outcomes in high demand job fields. The workforce diploma program pilot project shall include a graduation plan designed to lead to an accredited high school diploma; comprehensive career/college preparation program including research tools and career readiness soft skills training; technical training; and facilitated transition to employment. Federal funds appropriated for adult basic education may only be used to the extent allowable under Federal regulations. TWC shall submit to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor, no later than November 1, 2020, a report that includes an evaluation of the effectiveness of the pilot project detailing number of graduates and successful job placements, as well as earnings for successful graduates.
- 45. Adult Literacy Report.** Out of funds appropriated above, as a part of the report required and in addition to the outcomes specified under Labor Code, Chapter 315.002(c), the Texas Workforce Commission shall analyze and report to the Legislature on December 1 of each even-numbered year on adult literacy activities and performance measures for the Adult Education and Family Literacy program. The report shall identify the types of literacy programs conducted by providers and the measurable outcomes on literacy performed by the program. The report must be

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accompanied by supporting documentation as specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

- 46. Adult Education and Family Literacy Program Review.** Out of amounts appropriated above and in a manner consistent with all other law, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) shall contract with an external consultant to conduct a review of the Adult Education and Family Literacy program to ensure the grant application, award, and management processes are fair, equitable, and complete. TWC shall submit copies of the review to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor by January 1, 2021. In addition, all grant applications and awards for the Adult Education and Family Literacy program shall be reviewed and approved by TWC's Commissioners prior to notification of award to the grant recipient.