

Rider Comparison Packet

Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1

2022-23 General Appropriations Bill

Article VII – Business and Economic Development

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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17. Reporting on the Texas Rent Relief Program. The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs shall use funds appropriated above to produce a monthly report about the Texas Rent Relief Program, including information on the number of applications received, the number of payments made to applicants, the number of backlogged cases, and any public outreach campaigns. The department shall submit this report no later than the fifth day of each month to the speaker of the house, the lieutenant governor, and the chairs of the Texas House Committee on Urban Affairs and the Texas Senate Committee on Local Government.

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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 2022-23 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 in State Highway Fund No. 006 as specified by the Legislative Budget Board. At any time, if the department becomes aware of any variances to estimated amounts appropriated above out of state and federal funds received in State Highway Fund No. 006, the department shall immediately notify the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor in writing specifying the affected funds and the reason for the anticipated change. The monthly cash forecast report shall include detailed explanations of the causes and effects of current and anticipated fluctuations in the cash balance.
- 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 approved by the Transportation Commission for any toll 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. Additionally, 30 days prior to any loan being approved by the Transportation Commission for a non-tolled transportation 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.
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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;
- (3) any toll authority or regional mobility authority board member who discloses to the 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.

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f. **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.

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g. **Federal Funds Reporting Requirement.**

- (1) The Department of Transportation shall provide to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor:
 - (A) written notification of any increases or decreases in the amounts of federal funds estimated to be available to the Department of Transportation for the 2022-23 biennium within 10 business days of the date upon which the Department of Transportation is notified of such increases or decreases; and
 - (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 2022-23 biennium; and/or
 - ii. the Department of Transportation's plan for addressing any reductions in federal funds, including federally-mandated funding rescissions.
- (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.

- h. **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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- i. **Appropriations from State Highway Fund No. 006.** Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the department shall provide the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor with a

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- i. **Appropriations from State Highway Fund No. 006.** 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 which includes, but is not limited to:
 - (1) each construction project's enhancement of the state's economy, traffic safety, and connectivity;
 - (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
 - (3) a district by district analysis of pavement score targets and how proposed maintenance spending will impact pavement scores in each district.
- j. **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.
- k. **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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 - (3) at least a quarterly update of the current status in completing the mitigation plan for each road segment.
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23. Public Transportation. Notwithstanding other transfer provisions in Article IX of this Act, appropriations made to the Department of Transportation in Strategy C.1.1, Public Transportation, from the State Highway Fund shall not be reduced without a substitute or different source of eligible funding for the same purpose equal to or greater than the amount being reduced.

35. Proposition 1 Appropriations. Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.6, Proposition 1, 2014, from State Highway Fund No. 006 - Proposition 1, 2014, include:

- (1) estimated revenue transfers to the State Highway Fund for the 2022-23 biennium pursuant to Article III, Section 49-g(c-1) of the Texas Constitution (estimated to be \$1,025,747,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$1,350,667,000 in fiscal year 2023) to be used for constructing, maintaining, and acquiring rights-of-way for non-tolled public roadways; and
- (2) unexpended balances remaining from prior fiscal years (estimated to be \$800,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$800,000,000 in fiscal year 2023) for ongoing project development costs and construction contract payments on eligible roadway projects initiated prior to the 2022-23 biennium.

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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, 2022: (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.

36. Proposition 1 Appropriations.

- (a) Amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.6, Proposition 1, 2014, from State Highway Fund No. 006 - Proposition 1, 2014, include:
 - (1) estimated revenue transfers to the State Highway Fund for the 2022-23 biennium pursuant to Article III, Section 49-g(c-1) of the Texas Constitution (estimated to be \$1,025,747,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$1,350,667,000 in fiscal year 2023) to be used for constructing, maintaining, and acquiring rights-of-way for non-tolled public roadways; and
 - (2) unexpended balances remaining from prior fiscal years (estimated to be \$800,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$800,000,000 in fiscal year 2023) for ongoing project

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- (b) Any unexpended balances of funds remaining as of August 31, 2021, from State Highway Fund No. 006 - Proposition 1, 2014, appropriations made to the Department of Transportation for the 2020-21 biennium (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2021, for the same purpose.

43. 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 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.
- (d) The Department of Transportation may not expend funds appropriated by this Act to amend the terms, extend the scope, issue a change order, or alter the provisions of an executed comprehensive development agreement unless the department submits a report to the

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- (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.

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Legislative Budget Board, in the format prescribed by the Legislative Budget Board, that provides information regarding the proposed modifications to the contract and the Legislative Budget Board issues a written approval. A request submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to this subsection is subject to the provisions of subsections (b) and (c).

46. Appropriation: Remittance to the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Fund and Contingency for Senate Bill 1559.

- (a) Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation in Strategy H.1.1, Remittance to TERP Fund, out of State Highway Fund No. 006, and in accordance with Transportation Code §501.138, the estimated amount of \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and the estimated amount of \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 are for the purpose of remittance to the Comptroller of Public Accounts for deposit to the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Fund established as a fund outside the state treasury pursuant to Health and Safety Code §386.250. In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy H.1.1, Remittance to TERP Fund, the Department of Transportation is appropriated from State Highway Fund No. 006 any additional amounts required for remittance to the Comptroller of Public Accounts for deposit to the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Fund outside the state treasury in accordance with Transportation Code §501.138 and Health and Safety Code §386.250 (estimated to be \$0). Any unobligated or unexpended balances of these appropriations remaining as of August 31, 2022, are appropriated in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2022, for the same purpose.
- (b) Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1559, or similar legislation relating to the Texas emission reductions plan fund and account and certain revenues deposited therein, by the Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, subsection (a) above shall not take effect and the appropriation made in Strategy H.1.1, Remittance to TERP Fund, out of State Highway Fund No. 006 is reduced by \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$150,000,000 in fiscal year 2023.
- (c) Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1559, or similar legislation relating to the Texas emission reductions plan fund and account and certain revenues deposited therein, by the

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Eighty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, and out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation from state revenue sources and state methods of financing, an amount of funds equal to the amount of vehicle certificate of title fee revenue deposited to the Texas Mobility Fund in each fiscal year pursuant to Transportation Code §501.138 (estimated to be \$150,000,000 in each fiscal year of the 2022-2023 biennium) shall be allocated to provide funding for transportation projects in the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement category.

47. Unexpended Balance Appropriation: Improvements to the McKinney National Airport. In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.5.1, Aviation Services, any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2021, from appropriations made to the Department of Transportation from the General Revenue Fund for the 2020-21 biennium for airport expansion projects at the McKinney National Airport are appropriated to the Department of Transportation for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2021, for the same purpose.

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48. Unexpended Balance Appropriation: Improvements to the McKinney National Airport. In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.5.1, Aviation Services, any unobligated and unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2021, from appropriations made to the Department of Transportation from the General Revenue Fund for the 2020-21 biennium for airport expansion projects at the McKinney National Airport (estimated to be \$0) are appropriated to the Department of Transportation for the fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2021, for the same purpose.

49. 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, which is the same amount of funding authorized but not used for the construction of certain intelligent transportation systems in the 2020-21 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.

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- 50. South Padre Island Second Access Causeway Environmental Impact Study.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Department of Transportation for Strategy A.1.1, Plan/Design/Manage, the department shall conduct an environmental impact study for the South Padre Island Second Access Project. The department shall reserve out of the appropriated amounts for that strategy an amount sufficient to complete the study and may not spend that amount for any other purpose.

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

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28. Adult Education. Priority shall be given to adult literacy programs and may be given to adult literacy programs that include training in financial literacy and occupational foundation skills in the expenditure of adult education funds appropriated above. It is the intent of the Legislature that, in providing educational programs, the administering agency or agencies shall provide appropriate training to recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) in accordance with the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. Out of the Federal TANF funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.9, Adult Education and Family Literacy, \$5,800,000 in fiscal year 2022 and \$5,800,000 in fiscal year 2023 shall be directed for services for adults who are eligible for TANF. Families that include a child living at home are deemed eligible for TANF-funded adult education services if a family member receives any of the following forms of assistance: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program, Child Care and Development Fund, or Free or Reduced Priced Child Nutrition Program meals.

TWC shall coordinate with the Higher Education Coordinating Board in efforts to develop and implement an action plan to align Adult Basic Education and post-secondary education and in the provision of data necessary to analyze performance outcomes.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2022 are appropriated to fiscal year 2023 for the same purpose.

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Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2022 are appropriated to fiscal year 2023 for the same purpose.

46. Federal and State Funds for Digital Inclusion. Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) shall ensure that digital skill building is an explicitly permitted use of existing workforce development grant programs and TWC shall utilize federal funds to provide digital skill building, device access, and digital support for workers in workforce development programs.

47. Unemployment Insurance Claimant Data for Targeted Digital Skill Building. Out of funds appropriated for Strategy A.5.1, Unemployment Claims, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) shall collect and report unemployment insurance claim counts by type: internet, phone, and other. Claims count data by type shall be disaggregated by age, education, race/ethnicity, sex, and the occupations of individuals requesting benefits by region. The data shall be used to target

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individuals for digital skills training or retraining and the data shall be reported publicly on the TWC website.

48. Apprenticeship and Internship Opportunities for People with Disabilities. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategies A.1.8, Apprenticeship, and A.2.1, Vocational Rehabilitation, the Texas Workforce Commission shall conduct an inventory of all current apprenticeship and internship opportunities for people with disabilities. The inventory should include:

- (a) The number and type of apprenticeship opportunities currently available;
- (b) The number and type of intern opportunities currently available;
- (c) The length of program;
- (d) The age ranges of the participants;
- (e) Whether the employer is a public or private entity;
- (f) The geographic distribution of the programs;
- (g) How the programs are funded;
- (h) How the opportunities are publicized;
- (i) The number of individuals with disabilities that obtained full time employment as a result of the intern or apprentice program.

The inventory shall be made available to the Rehabilitation Council of Texas and the Texas Legislature by October 1, 2022.