

**Senate Finance Committee
Riders - Article I**

Adopted

March 12, 2025

Legislative Budget Board

**Office of the Attorney General, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Modification to Rider 9, Victims Assistance Grants**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/05/2025

Overview

Increase General Revenue by \$3,000,000 in the Office of the Attorney General’s bill pattern in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, and modify Rider 9, Victims Assistance Grants accordingly by allocating the funding for the rural and border pilot program within the Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program.

Required Action

1. On page I-5 of Senate Bill 1 as introduced, increase General Revenue by \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, within the Office of the Attorney general’s bill pattern.
2. On page I-9 of the Office of the Attorney General’s bill pattern, amend the following rider:

9. Victims Assistance Grants. Funds appropriated above in C.1.2, Victims Assistance, shall be spent as follows:

<u>Program:</u>	2026	2027
(1) Victims Assistance Coordinators and Victims Liaisons	\$2,439,143	\$2,439,143
(2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program	27,232,384 <u>28,732,384</u>	26,232,382 <u>27,732,382</u>
(3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants	2,024,468	2,024,468
(4) Legal Services Grants	2,500,000	2,500,000
(5) Other Victims Assistance Grants	10,942,758	10,942,758
(6) Statewide Victim Notification System	3,039,740	3,039,740
(7) Address Confidentiality	173,469	173,469
 Total	 \$48,351,962 <u>\$49,851,962</u>	 \$47,351,960 <u>\$48,851,960</u>

Method of Financing:

General Revenue	\$28,271,641 <u>\$29,771,641</u>	\$28,271,641 <u>\$29,771,641</u>
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General Revenue - Dedicated

Victims of Crime Auxiliary Fund No. 0494	\$173,469	\$173,469
Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010	\$16,694,468	\$15,694,466
 Subtotal, General Revenue - Dedicated	 <u>\$16,867,937</u>	 <u>\$15,867,935</u>

Federal Funds	\$3,212,384	\$3,212,384
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Total, Method of Financing	\$48,351,962 <u>\$49,851,962</u>	\$47,351,960 <u>\$48,851,960</u>
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The Office of the Attorney General shall adopt rules for the competitive allocation of funds under item number (5) Other Victims Assistance Grants.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Office of the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$38,569,602 for rape crisis centers to provide the minimum services as statutorily required by Government Code, Section 420.008(c)(1) to adult survivors of stranger and non-stranger sexual assault. This amount includes \$6,850,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,850,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and \$12,434,801 in

fiscal year 2026 and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010. Of this amount, \$9,000,000 shall be prioritized for the purposes of addressing current and projected waitlists for counseling of adult sexual assault survivors and sexual assault advocacy services at rape crisis centers. For the purposes of this rider, “rape crisis center” shall have the same meaning as “sexual assault program” in Government Code, Section 420.003 (7). In accordance with Texas statute, rape crisis centers remain eligible to apply for victim assistance funds in addition to the funds listed in program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$1,377,017 in fiscal year 2026 and \$377,017 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010 for the sexual assault nurse examiner program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of ~~\$3,500,000~~~~\$2,000,000~~ in fiscal year 2026 and ~~\$3,500,000~~~~\$2,000,000~~ in fiscal year 2027 to rape crisis centers for a program that provides dedicated funding to support the unique challenges of rural and border counties including, but not limited to, support for satellite offices, co-location efforts, transportation costs, technology assistance and workforce challenges.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2027 for the sexual assault services program grant recipient to implement a centralized training, technical assistance and evaluation program for rape crisis centers across the state.

It is the intent of the Legislature that \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2027 appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General be used to fund domestic violence high risk teams.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

None of the funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, may be expended on grants to organizations that make contributions to campaigns for elective office or that endorse candidates.

The Office of the Attorney General shall notify the Legislative Budget Board, Governor and Comptroller at least 30 calendar days prior to the start of a new fiscal year if the revenue sources listed above are insufficient to provide the full appropriations to rape crisis centers or sexual assault nurse examiners program as indicated in this rider for the upcoming fiscal year.

Within 100 calendar days after the close of each fiscal year, the Office of the Attorney General shall submit a report detailing the expenditure of funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance. The report shall include information on the guidelines used to select programs that receive grants, the amount of grants awarded in each of the categories listed above, the amount of expenditures for administration, and audit and oversight activities conducted relating to the victims assistance grants and the programs receiving such grants. The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee.

By: Hinojosa of Hidalgo

Trusted Programs Within the Officer of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Funding for Processing Crime Laboratory Portal Records

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/11/2025

Overview

Add \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and add a rider to allocate \$500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to provide grants to crime laboratories for costs associated with uploading documents to the crime laboratory portal.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Grants for Crime Laboratory Portal Records. It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants to crime laboratories for costs associated with establishing and maintaining a computerized crime laboratory portal, in accordance with Government Code, Section 411.162. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to provide grants for this purpose. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Additional Public Safety Through Improved Technology

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/06/2025

Overview

Increase funding by \$60,000,000 in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, by reallocating \$60,000,000 from A.1.1, Disaster Funds, General Revenue for Border Security funding. Add rider to allocate the \$60,000,000 for Texas Anti-Gang Programs to provide additional public safety through improved technology and provide unexpended balance authority.

Original Request:

According to the Public Safety Office within the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor, Texas strives to collect, assess and disseminate intelligence and information between public safety agencies across the state and the nation in order to proactively prevent, interdict and disrupt criminal activity and terrorist groups. The Texas Anti-Gang Program (TAG) plays an important role in this effort. Specifically, TAGs have identified technology that serves as a significant force multiplier that can also fill in security gaps. Previous state funds have enabled a piecemeal approach across TDCJ and the TAGs to procure such technology which has proven crucial for law enforcement to identify and apprehend violent criminals and prevent ongoing crime in major regions.

The public safety successes achieved have caused participating agencies, including DPS and TDCJ, to want to expand their use. Additional local law enforcement agencies have also requested access. These funds will allow the TAGs to make a consolidated purchase for the access needed statewide.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, reduce General Revenue for Border Security by \$60,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.1, Disaster Funds.
2. On page I-63, increase General Revenue for Border Security by \$60,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
3. On page I-75, add the following rider:

_____ **Additional Public Safety Through Improved Technology.** It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants for the Texas Anti-Gang Centers to acquire technology to provide actionable intelligence to local and state law enforcement for purposes including correctional security, homeland security, and violent crimes prevention. Included in the amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$60,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in General Revenue for Border Security for this purpose. Of this amount \$20,000,000 is designated for jails contiguous to Texas Anti-Gang counties with known large gang populations and \$40,000,000 is designated for maximum-security prisons in counties along the Texas-Mexico border. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning on September 1, 2026.



By: Creighton

**Trusted Programs Within the Officer of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Amend Rider
Forensic Genetic Genealogical DNA Analysis**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/14/2025

Overview

Add funding and amend Rider 29, Grants for Testing of Forensic Evidence, to provide reimbursement for forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-72, amend the following rider:
 29. **Grants for Testing of Forensic Evidence.** (a) Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium, to provide grants to reimburse district attorneys for costs associated with the testing of forensic evidence.

(b) It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants to reimburse local law enforcement, district attorneys, medical examiners, and coroners for costs associated with forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis. Also included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for this purpose. Funds specified for this purpose shall not be expended for any other purpose.

Secretary of State, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Expedited Business Filing Services

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/05/2025

Overview

Add \$3,882,320 from the General Revenue Fund and 12.0 FTEs to the Secretary of State in Strategy A.1.1, Document Filing, to create a program for expedited processing of business records filed with the Secretary of State.

Required Action

1. On page I-106 of the Secretary of State bill pattern, add, \$2,671,588 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,210,732 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy A.1.1, Document Filing.
2. On page I-105 of the Secretary of State bill pattern, add 12.0 FTEs in each year of the biennium to the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)”.
3. On page I-110, add the following rider:

_____. **Expedited Filing Services.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Secretary of State is \$2,671,588 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,210,732 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund in Strategy A.1.1, Document Filing, to provide expedited services related to the filing of business records. Also, included in the “Number of Full-Time-Equivalents (FTE)” is 12.0 FTEs in each fiscal year of the biennium for this purpose.

Secretary of State, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Providing Balloting Materials to Military and Overseas Voters

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/05/2025

Overview

Add \$983,000 in General Revenue to the Secretary of State in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.4, Elections Improvement to provide a more secure method for the transmission of balloting material to military and overseas voters.

Required Action

1. On page I-106 of the Secretary of State bill pattern, add \$983,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.4, Elections Improvement.
2. On page I-110, add the following rider:

_____ **Providing Balloting Material to Military and Overseas Voters. Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Secretary of State in Strategy B.1.4, Elections Improvement, is \$983,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to provide a more secure method for the transmission of balloting material to military and overseas voters pursuant to the Federal Military Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (MOVE) and Texas Election Code, Section 101.056. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026 for the same purpose.**

Texas Veterans Commission, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Mental Health Grants for Gold Star Families

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/05/2025

Overview

Directs the Veterans Commission to provide grants to organizations for mental health assistance for Gold Star families.

Required Action

On page I-115 of Senate Bill 1 as introduced, in the Veterans Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

- _____. **Grants for Gold Star Family Mental Health Assistance Program.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, General Assistance Grants, the Veterans Commission shall provide grants to nonprofit organizations, state-operated or state-funded hospitals, or local mental health authorities for the purpose of providing free mental health services to Gold Star families of Texas Veterans. The eligibility for free services are limited to surviving parents, spouses and children of Texas veterans who died while serving in active duty.

**Senate Finance Committee
Riders - Article I**

Article XI

March 12, 2025

Legislative Budget Board

Commission on the Arts, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
International Museum of Art & Science

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/05/2025

Overview

Increase appropriations in the bill pattern for the Commission on the Arts by \$10,000,000 in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organization Grants, in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund for a grant to the International Museum of Art & Science (IMAS).

Original rider description: IMAS is located in the Rio Grande Valley. It inspires audiences of all ages to explore art and science through its permanent collections, exhibits, programs, and partnerships by empowering learners to discover their interests and pursue their passions. The funds will be for the construction of a state-of-the-art children's museum that will provide hands-on, interactive learning experiences that inspire curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking skills.

Required Action

1. On page I-1 of Senate Bill 1 as introduced within the Commission on the Arts bill pattern, increase General Revenue by \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organization Grants.
2. On page I-3 of the Commission on the Arts bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **International Museum of Art & Science.** Out of amounts appropriated above to the Commission on the Arts in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organizations Grants, is \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to be used to provide a grant to the International Museum of Art & Science.

By  Schwertner

Office of the Attorney General
Artificial Intelligence Enforcement
Contingency for SB _____

Overview

New contingency rider to implement the enforcement of rules related to artificial intelligence by the Office of the Attorney General.

Required Action

1. On page X-XXX of the Office of the Attorney General's bill pattern, contingent on the enactment of SB _____, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of rules related to artificial intelligence and the enforcement of rules related to artificial intelligence by the Office of the Attorney General, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Office of the Attorney General is appropriated \$ _____ and _____ additional FTEs to implement the provisions of the legislation.
2. On page X-XXX of the bill pattern for the Office of the Attorney General, add the following rider:

_____. **Contingency for SB _____.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy X.X, contingent upon enactment of SB _____, or other similar legislation related to enforcement of artificial intelligence rules.

By: J. J. Hancock

**Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, Article I,
General Government**

**Proposed Rider
Contingency for Senate Bill ____.**

Prepared by LBB Staff. 02/12/25

Overview

Add funding of \$12,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$12,000,000 in FY 2027 from General Revenue to the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts for the purposes of implementing the provisions of Senate Bill ____, or similar legislation relating to providing reimbursements to families who are adopting for legal fees and other eligible expenses, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

1. On page I-26 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, increase General Revenue by \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and by \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 in a new strategy, A.1.15, Adoption Assistance.
2. On page I-33 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, add the following new rider:

Contingency for Senate Bill ____. Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill ____, or similar legislation relating to an adoption assistance program which provides reimbursements to families who are adopting for legal fees and other eligible expenses, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall use \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 2026, and \$ 12,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue, appropriated above in Strategy A.1.15, Adoption Assistance, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

By: Perry

Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts
Proposed Rider
Contingency for Senate Bill 1377

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/25/25

Overview

Add funding and prepare a rider which directs the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts to use funds appropriated in the bill pattern to implement Senate Bill 1377, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

1. On page I-26 of the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts bill pattern, increase General Revenue by \$90,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in a new Strategy, A.1.15, County Emergency Medical Services.
2. On page I-33 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, add the following new rider:

Contingency for Senate Bill 1377. Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 1377, or similar legislation relating to the establishment of grant programs to provide financial assistance to qualified rural counties for emergency medical services, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall use \$90,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund appropriated above in Strategy A.1.15, County Emergency Medical Services, in fiscal year 2026 to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended and unobligated balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts for fiscal year 2027 for the same purpose.

If legislation described in this rider is not enacted, the appropriated amounts in Strategy A.1.15, County Emergency Medical Services, are reduced by \$90,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund.

By: Schwertner



Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts
Proposed Rider
Contingency for Senate Bill 21

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/20/2025

Overview

Prepare a rider which directs the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts to use funds appropriated in the bill pattern to implement Senate Bill 21, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

1. On page I-26 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, increase General Revenue by \$21,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in a new strategy, A.1.15, Strategic Bitcoin Reserve.
2. On page I-33 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, add the following new rider:

_____. **Contingency for Senate Bill 21.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 21, or similar legislation relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas Strategic Bitcoin Reserve for the purpose of investing in cryptocurrency and the investment authority of the Comptroller of Public Accounts over the reserve and certain other state funds, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund \$21,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 for direct investment appropriated above in Strategy A.1.15, Strategic Bitcoin Reserve, to the reserve to implement the provisions of the legislation.

If the legislation described in this rider is not enacted, the appropriations in Strategy A.1.15, Strategic Bitcoin Reserve, are reduced by \$21,000,000 in fiscal year 2026.



By: Schwertner

Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts
Proposed Rider
Contingency for Senate Bill 8

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/27/25

Overview

Add funding and prepare a rider which directs the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts to use funds appropriated in the bill pattern to implement Senate Bill 8, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

1. On page I-26 of the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts bill pattern, increase General Revenue by \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in a new Strategy A.1.15, County Immigration Grant.
2. On page I-33 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, add the following new rider:

Contingency for Senate Bill 8. Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 8, or similar legislation relating to agreements between sheriffs and the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement to enforce federal immigration, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall use \$20,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund, appropriated above in Strategy A.1.15, County Immigration Grant, in fiscal year 2026, to implement the provisions of the legislation. Any unexpended and unobligated balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

If legislation described in this rider is not enacted, the appropriation amounts in Strategy A.1.15, County Immigration Grant, are reduced by \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund.

By: Schwertner



Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts

Proposed Funding and Rider

Matching funds for the federal E-Rate Program for broadband for Texas school districts.

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/27/25

Overview

Prepare a rider which directs the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts to transfer funds appropriated in the bill pattern to the Texas Education Agency to provide matching funds for the federal E-Rate Program.

Required Action

On page I-33 of the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts bill pattern, add the following rider:

E-Rate State Matching Funds. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.3, Texas BDO State Funds, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall transfer \$5,000,000 from the Broadband Infrastructure Fund in fiscal year 2026 to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to leverage high-speed broadband to and within participating school districts. TEA must determine that each grantee meets the eligibility standard established in Government Code, Section 490I.0106. TEA shall submit a report to the Texas Broadband Development Office detailing project progress, including costs incurred, locations served and service speeds.

Continued funding is contingent on continued federal funding of the federal E-Rate Program. If the federal government ceases funding of the program at any time, the remaining funds for the program shall be returned to the Broadband Infrastructure Fund.



By _____

**Comptrollers's Office -Fiscal Programs, Article I
Contingency Rider for SB 247**

Overview

The following action adds a new rider that directs \$200,000 in general revenue for state aid to certain local governments disproportionately affected by the granting of ad valorem tax relief to disable veterans.

Required Action

On page I-33 of Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts bill pattern, add the following new rider:

- _____. **Contingency for Senate Bill 247.** Contingent on the enactment of SB 247, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, or similar legislation, relating to the applicability of the law governing the provision of state aid to certain local governments disproportionately affected by the granting of ad valorem tax relief to disable veterans, increase the amounts allocated in Strategy A.1.11. Disabled Veteran Assist Payments to \$100,000 for each year of the fiscal year.



By: Alvarado

**Trusted Programs Within the Officer of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Contingency for Senate Bill 1361 or Similar**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/18/2025

Overview

Appropriate funding and provide rider for \$20 million in General Revenue in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, contingent on the passage of SB 1361 for implementation of the legislation. Costs will include \$20,000,000 for small business disaster recovery loans.

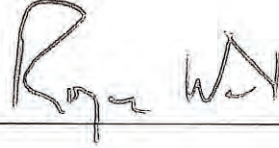
Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, increase General Revenue by \$10,000,000 in FY 2026 and by \$10,000,000 in FY 2027 in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas.
2. On page I-75 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add the following rider:

Contingency for Senate Bill 1361. Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 1361, or similar legislation relating to small business disaster recovery loans, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, out of amounts appropriated above to the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund for transfer to the General Revenue-Dedicated Micro-Business Recovery Account No. 5190 and expenditure out of the account to implement the provisions of the legislation.

If legislation described in this rider is not enacted, the appropriated amounts in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, are reduced by \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund.

By:



**Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Rider
Contingency for SB209**

Overview

Add a rider in the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor bill pattern that appropriates \$25,000,000 in General Revenue and 2 additional FTE for the biennium to be used to fund the Texas Technology Innovation Trust Fund to provide state grant matching funds to eligible business entities headquartered in Texas that have received a grant or contract under the federal Small Business Innovation Research or Small Business Technology Transfer programs, contingent upon enactment of Senate Bill 209, or similar legislation creating the Texas Technology Innovation Program.

Required Action

On page I-__ of the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add the following rider:

- ____. **Contingency for Senate Bill 209.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 209, or similar legislation relating to creation of the Texas Technology Innovation Trust Fund, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor is appropriated \$25,000,000 in General Revenue in in Strategy C.1.1, Create Jobs and Promote Texas. No more than ten percent of the appropriation shall be used for administration of the program. Additionally, the commission's "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" is increased by 2 FTEs in fiscal year 2024 and by 2 FTEs in fiscal year 2025.

**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Amend Rider
Increase Border Zone Fire Departments**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/06/2025

Overview

Increase funding for Border Zone Fire Departments by \$2,000,000 for the 2026-27 biennium in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, by reallocating funding from Strategy A.1.1, Disaster Funds. Amend Rider 28, Border Zone Fire Departments, to allocate a total of \$5,000,000 in General Revenue for Border Security funding for the 2026-27 biennium.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, reduce General Revenue for Border Security by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.1, Disaster Funds.
2. On page I-63, increase General Revenue for Border Security by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
3. On page I-72, amend the following rider:

28. **Grants to Border Zone Fire Departments.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is ~~\$3,000,000~~ \$5,000,000 from General Revenue for Border Security in fiscal year 2026 to provide professional fire departments in the border region grants to assist in the acquisition of specialized equipment, maintenance, and medical supplies to support emergency services associated with the execution of security activities associated with deterring crimes occurring in the geographic area defined in Article IX, Section 7.10, Border Security, of this Act.

Not later than the December 1 of each year, the Office of the Governor shall provide a report on the previous fiscal year's grants to the Legislative Budget Board that includes the agencies that applied for funding, the amount distributed, and the utilization of funds by each agency.



By: Hancock

Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Contingency for Substance Testing Grant Program

Prepared by LBB Staff: 02/25/2025

Overview

Appropriate funding (intentionally left blank) and provide rider for \$6,000,000 in General Revenue in Strategy B.1.1. Criminal Justice, contingent on the passage of SB _____ relating to the creation of a grant program to assist local law enforcement agencies in testing substances suspected of containing delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol.

Required Action

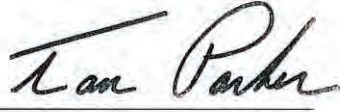
1. On page 1-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1. Criminal Justice.
2. On page 1-75, add the following rider:

_____ Contingency for Senate Bill _____. Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill _____, or similar legislation relating to the creation of a grant program to assist local law enforcement agencies in testing substances suspected of containing delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, out of amounts appropriated above to the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in Strategy B.1.1. Criminal Justice, is \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to implement the provisions of the legislation.

If legislation described in this rider is not enacted, the appropriated amounts in Strategy B.1.1. Criminal Justice, are reduced by \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund.



By: Parker



**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Funding and Amend Rider
Funding for Trade Office in United Kingdom**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/27/2025

Overview

Provide authorization to establish a trade office in the United Kingdom. Increase funding in the amount of \$700,000 for the 2026-27 biennium for the UK location.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$700,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas.
2. On page I-67, amend the following rider:

7. **Administration: Foreign Offices.**

a. In accordance with Government Code Section 481.027, foreign offices may be operated in Mexico and in other foreign markets including Canada, Europe, the Pacific Rim, and Latin America coinciding with market opportunities for Texas business. Foreign office trade investment and tourism development efforts, as well as location of the offices, shall be based on analysis of the current world market opportunities. The Office of the Governor shall expend funds for the Mexico offices and any office in Taiwan and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland out of any funds available, but shall not expend any funds appropriated under this Act for any office or staff at any other foreign offices established by the Office of the Governor.

b. The Office of the Governor shall maintain a tracking system that documents the direct benefits that result from the operation of each foreign office. The Office of the Governor shall utilize the tracking system to file an annual report with the Legislative Budget Board regarding the activities of each office. The report shall contain, at a minimum, information detailing the number of contacts with foreign and domestic businesses, the name of each business, the nature of the contact, the results of each contact, and expenditures by each office. The report shall also contain the name of each Texas community assisted and information regarding the nature and results of the assistance. The report shall be submitted within 60 calendar days of the end of each fiscal year and must be accompanied by supporting documentation as specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

c. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$700,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to support an economic development office in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.



By: King



Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Funding and Amend Rider
Trade Office in Israel

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/26/2025

Overview

Provide authorization to establish a trade office in Jerusalem, Israel. Increase funding in the amount of \$700,000 in each fiscal year (total \$1.4 million for 2026-27 biennium) for the Jerusalem location.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusteed Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$700,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas.
2. On page I-67, amend the following rider:

7. **Administration: Foreign Offices.**

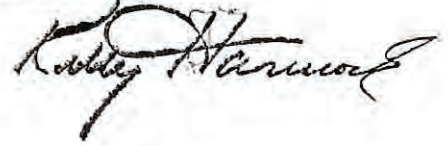
a. In accordance with Government Code Section 481.027, foreign offices may be operated in Mexico and in other foreign markets including Canada, Israel, Europe, the Pacific Rim, and Latin America coinciding with market opportunities for Texas business. Foreign office trade investment and tourism development efforts, as well as location of the offices, shall be based on analysis of the current world market opportunities. The Office of the Governor shall expend funds for the Mexico offices and any office in Taiwan and Jerusalem, Israel out of any funds available, but shall not expend any funds appropriated under this Act for any office or staff at any other foreign offices established by the Office of the Governor.

b. The Office of the Governor shall maintain a tracking system that documents the direct benefits that result from the operation of each foreign office. The Office of the Governor shall utilize the tracking system to file an annual report with the Legislative Budget Board regarding the activities of each office. The report shall contain, at a minimum, information detailing the number of contacts with foreign and domestic businesses, the name of each business, the nature of the contact, the results of each contact, and expenditures by each office. The report shall also contain the name of each Texas community assisted and information regarding the nature and results of the assistance. The report shall be submitted within 60 calendar days of the end of each fiscal year and must be accompanied by supporting documentation as specified by the Legislative Budget Board.

c. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.1, Promote Texas, is \$700,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$700,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to support an economic development office in Jerusalem, Israel.

Phil King

By: West 



Texas Historical Commission, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Fort Worth Juneteenth Museum

Prepared by LBB Staff. 02/13/2025

Overview

Provide \$20,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.3.1, Evaluate/Interpret Resources, for site acquisition, construction-related costs, and operational costs for the Juneteenth museum in Fort Worth.

Required Action

1. On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue by \$20,000,000 in Strategy A.3.1, Evaluate/Interpret Resources, in fiscal year 2026 within the bill pattern for the Historical Commission.
2. On page I-84 of the Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **Fort Worth Juneteenth Museum.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.3.1, Evaluate/Interpret Resources, is \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund for no other purpose than providing grants to the National Juneteenth Museum for site acquisition, site clearance, surveying and permitting, engineering studies, architectural designs, preconstruction and construction-related expenses, exhibition design, and operations costs.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Historical Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

By: Middleton *Mayer Middleton*

**Historical Commission
Proposed Funding and Rider
Juneteenth Museum in Galveston**



Overview


On June 19, 1865, General Order No. 3 was issued in Galveston, enforcing the Emancipation Proclamation, and marking Galveston as the birthplace of Juneteenth. Currently, a Juneteenth exhibit is located in the carriage house of the 1859 Ashton Villa, but the Galveston community has been looking to open a proper Juneteenth museum. There are a few locations under consideration to house the Galveston Juneteenth Museum, including a historic building on the Strand, the Trumpets Building. The request for \$7 million is to acquire the building and establish the Galveston Juneteenth Museum. The operations of the museum will be supported with philanthropy and other funding sources. The request is for a one-time appropriation for the acquisition of the property for the Galveston Juneteenth Museum.

Required Action

Beginning on page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, of the Historical Commission's bill pattern add the following:

- On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, increase General Revenue appropriations to the Historical Commission by \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2026;
- On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, in Strategy A.1.4., Historic Sites, in the Historical Commission's bill pattern, increase strategy allocations by \$7,000,000 in fiscal year 2026; and
- On page I-84 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session 2025, in the Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____ . **Galveston Juneteenth Museum.** From funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.4, Historic Sites, the Historical Commission shall use \$7,000,000 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2026 for the Juneteenth Museum in Galveston. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

By: Middleton 

**Historical Commission
Proposed Funding and Rider
Texas History Day Grant**



Overview

Senate Bill 519 will establish the Texas History Grant program within the Texas Historical Commission to help promote the study of Texas history. Grants will be awarded to non-profits who publish works on Texas history written by students or faculty members, host a statewide Texas history competition for school-aged students, and develop programs that help engage students in the study of Texas history.

Required Action

On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, of Historical Commission, add the following:

- On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, increase General Revenue appropriations to the Historical Commission by \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2027;
- On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, in Strategy A.3.1., Evaluate/Interpret Resources, in the Historical Commission's bill pattern, increase strategy allocations by \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2027; and
- On page I-84 of Senate Bill 1, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session 2025, in the Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

Contingency for SB 519. Contingent on the enactment of Senate Bill 519, Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, or similar legislation, relating to the creation of a grant program to promote educational engagement with Texas history, the Historical Commission shall use 1,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from funds appropriated above in Strategy A.3.1. for the purpose of implementing the legislation. Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

By: Hinojosa, Juan

Texas Historical Commission, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Ritz Theater Restoration

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/25/2025

Overview

Provide \$20,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, to provide a grant for the restoration of the Ritz Theater.

Required Action

1. On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1 as introduced, increase General Revenue by \$20,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, within the bill pattern for the Texas Historical Commission.
2. On page I-84 of the Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **Ritz Theater Restoration.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, is \$20,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to be deposited in fiscal year 2026 into the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Preservation Trust Fund Account No. 664 to be used for no other purpose than to provide grants for the restoration of the Ritz Theater in Corpus Christi.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Historical Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

By: Hinojosa, Juan

Texas Historical Commission, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
City of Hidalgo Historic Building Restoration Grants

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/25/2025

Overview

Provide \$2,500,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, to provide a grant for the restoration of historical buildings in the city of Hidalgo.

Required Action

1. On page I-76 of Senate Bill I as introduced, increase General Revenue by \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, within the bill pattern for the Texas Historical Commission.
2. On page I-84 of the Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

Hidalgo Restoration Grants. Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, is \$2,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund to be deposited in fiscal year 2026 into the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Preservation Trust Fund Account No. 664 to be used to for no other purpose than to provide grants to the city of Hidalgo for the restoration of historic buildings.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Historical Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

By: Campbell

Texas Historical Commission, Article I

Proposed Funding and Rider

Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/27/2025

Overview

Provide \$2,000,000 in General Revenue in each fiscal year to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.3.2, Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission. Modify Rider 10, Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission: Funding, to reflect the updated amount in fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

Required Action

1. On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1 as introduced, increase General Revenue by \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy A.3.2, Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission, within the bill pattern for the Historical Commission.
2. On page I-80 of the Historical Commission's bill pattern, modify the following rider:

- 10. Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission: Funding.** Included in amounts appropriated above out of the General Revenue Fund in Strategy A.3.2, Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission, and Strategy B.1.1, Central Administration, are ~~\$2,601,745~~ \$4,601,745 and \$41,000, respectively, in fiscal year 2026, and ~~\$1,601,745~~ \$3,601,745 and \$41,000, respectively, in fiscal year 2027 for the Texas Historical Commission to provide support for the Texas Holocaust, Genocide, and Antisemitism Advisory Commission.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.



Texas Historical Commission, Article 1
Proposed Funding and Rider
El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail

Overview

Add \$260,000 in General Revenue funding and rider to design and fabricate Camino Real Markers, evaluate and identify regional routes of the trail, design and develop trail-wide informational brochures and create historic exhibits about the trail.

Required Action

1) On page [x] of the Texas Historical Commission bill pattern, increase appropriations in Strategy A.2.2 – Texas Heritage Trail, by \$260,000 in General Revenue in fiscal years 2026-27.

2) On page [x] of the Texas Historical Commission bill pattern, add the following rider:

_____. **El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail.** Included in the amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.2.2 – Texas Heritage Trail, is \$260,000 from the General Fund to design and fabricate Camino Real Markers, evaluate and identify regional routes of the trail, design and develop trail-wide informational brochures and create historic exhibits about the trail.

By 

Texas Historical Commission, Article I
Washington-on-the-Brazos Capital Projects and Property Acquisition.

Overview

The following action adds a new rider that directs \$8.6 million for the Texas Historical Commission to complete Washington on the Brazos Capital Projects and acquire a five acre property adjacent to the site.

Required Action

On page I-84 of Texas Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following new rider:

____.Washington-on-the-Brazos Capital Projects and Property Acquisition. In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.4, Historic Sites, (unexpended and unobligated balances) for the Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site in General Revenue are appropriated \$8.6 million for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for the same purpose. Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Historical Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

Zaffarini

[Signature]

By: Blanco

**Texas Historical Commission, Article I
Proposed Funding and
Rider Rio Vista Farms**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/06/2024

Overview

Provide \$5,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2027 to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, to preserve and restore buildings at the Rio Vista Farm National Historic Landmark.

Required Action

1. On page I-76 of Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, by \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 within the bill pattern for the Historical Commission.
2. On page I-84 of the Texas Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following rider:

— **Rio Vista Farm.** Included in amounts appropriated above to the Texas Historical Commission in Strategy A.1.5, Preservation Trust Fund, is \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to be deposited into the General Revenue-Dedicated Texas Preservation Trust Fund Account No. 664 to be used for no other purpose than providing grants for the restoration and preservation of buildings at the Rio Vista Farm National Historic Landmark.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Historical Commission for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

Paul Bekeart
By Senator Hughes

**TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION, ARTICLE 1
REPUBLIC OF TEXAS INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY MARKER**

Overview

Adjacent to State Highway 31 near Deadwood, Texas stands a four-foot tall granite marker: the Republic of Texas International Boundary Marker. Placed in 1841 to designate the boundary between the Republic of Texas and the United States, this marker is the only one of its kind known to still be in existence.

With original inscriptions visible, this monument is a treasure from an important period of Texas history. Safe off-road parking and site improvements are needed to allow the public to better access the site, however, and the following rider would provide \$800,000 in fiscal year 2026 for that purpose.

Required Action

On page I-76 of the bill pattern for the Texas Historical Commission, increase General Revenue Funds by \$800,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.4, Historic Sites.

On the appropriate page of the Texas Historical Commission bill pattern, insert the following item:

_____ . Republic of Texas International Boundary Marker. Out of General Revenue funds appropriated in Strategy A.1.4., Historic Sites, \$800,000 in fiscal year 2026 shall be used for the purposes of providing parking and site improvements to facilitate public access to the Republic of Texas International Boundary Marker in accordance with Government Code, Section 442.0074. Any unexpended balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026 are appropriated for the same purpose for fiscal year 2027.

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By: 

Texas Historical Commission, Article I
International Boundary Marker Appropriation

Overview

The Historical Commission is appropriated \$800,000 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2026 for the International Boundary Marker, Panola County, to construct safe off-road parking and site improvements allowing public access to the historic marker placed by the Republic of Texas in 1841 to demark its border with the United States of America.

Required Action

On page I-84 of the Texas Historical Commission's bill pattern, add the following new rider:

- _____. **International Boundary Marker Appropriation..** In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.4, Historic Sites, the Historical Commission is appropriated \$800,000 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2026 for the International Boundary Marker, Panola County, to construct safe off-road parking and site improvements allowing public access to the historic marker placed by the Republic of Texas in 1841 to demark its border with the United States of America. The Historical Commission will cooperate with the Texas Historical Foundation in effecting improvements to its property adjacent to the marker. Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, for the same purpose.

Secretary of State, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Contingency for SB 396: County Voter Confirmation Mailings

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/05/2025

Overview

Add \$_____ in General Revenue to the Secretary of State in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration, and associated rider, to implement the provisions of SB 396, relating to the signature required on a carrier envelope for a ballot voted by mail.

Required Action

1. On page I-106 of the Secretary of State bill pattern, add \$_____ in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration.
2. On page I-110, add the following rider:

_____. **Contingency for Senate Bill 396.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 396, or similar legislation relating to confirmation of a voter's residence by a voter registrar, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, out of amounts appropriated above to the Secretary of State in Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration, is \$_____ for fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to provide funding to counties for the purpose of sending voter confirmations to voters who have not voted in the previous twenty-five months following a general election for state and local offices. Any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026 for the same purpose.

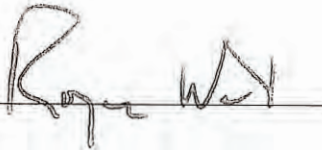
If legislation described in this rider is not enacted, the appropriated amounts in Strategy B.1.1, Elections Administration, are reduced by \$_____ in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund.

**Senate Finance Committee
Riders - Article I**

Not Adopted

March 12, 2025

Legislative Budget Board

By: West 

Texas Commission on the Arts
Proposed Funding and Rider
Dallas Arts Organization Grants

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/21/2025

Overview

Provide \$200,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 to the Commission on the Arts in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organization Grants, for grants for arts organizations in the city of Dallas.

Required Action

1. On page I-1 of Senate Bill 1, increase General Revenue by \$200,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organization Grants within the bill pattern for the Commission on the Arts.
2. On page I-2 of the Commission on the Arts' bill pattern, add the following rider:

Dallas Arts Organizations. Included in amounts appropriated above to the Commission on the Arts in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organizations Grants, is \$200,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$200,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to be used for no other purpose than providing grants to arts organizations in the city of Dallas.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Commission on the Arts for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.



By: Johnson/Alvarado

Texas Commission on the Arts, Article 1
Arts Organization Grants

Overview

The following action adds a new rider that directs an additional \$250,000 for Arts Organization Grants.


The City of Dallas requests an additional \$250,000 be added to strategy A.1.1. (Article I) - Arts Organization Grants, to apply for additional funding to advance the creative economy of Dallas by investing in arts organizations. The city uses these funds for school science fair projects, art competitions, and large murals.

Required Action

On page I-1 of Texas Commission on the Arts bill pattern, add the following new rider:

- ____. **Arts Organization Grants.** From the General Revenue Fund, an additional \$125,000 in 2026 and \$125,000 in fiscal year 2027 shall be allocated to Strategy A.1.1.

By: Alvarado



Texas Commission on the Arts, Article 1
Proposed Funding and Rider
Latino Museum of Cultural and Visual Arts Complex Grant

Overview

Appropriate \$28,900,000 in General Revenue Funds to the Texas Commission on the Arts in fiscal year 2026 with unexpended balance authority in fiscal year 2027 for the purposes of planning and constructing a Latino Museum of Cultural and Visual Arts Complex in Houston.

Required Action

1. On page I-1 of the bill pattern for the Commission on the Arts, increase General Revenue Fund by \$28,900,000 in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organizations Grants.
2. On page I-2 of the bill pattern for the Commission on the Arts, add the following new rider:

Latino Museum of Cultural and Visual Arts Complex Grant. Included in Strategy A.1.1, Arts Organization Grants, is \$28,900,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2026 to provide a grant to the Advocates of a Latino Museum of Cultural and Visual Arts & Archive Complex in Houston, Harris County (ALMAAHH) to plan and construct a Latino museum of cultural and visual arts complex.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026 are appropriated to the Commission on the Arts for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2027 for the same purpose.

By: West 

Office of the Attorney General, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Enforcement of Government Code Section 41.006

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/26/2025

Overview

Add rider that prohibits the Office of the Attorney General from differentiating between judicial districts and counties when using appropriated funds to enforce Section 41.006 of the Government Code.

Required Action

On page I-16 of the Office of the Attorney General's bill pattern, add the following rider:

Equal Enforcement Between Counties. It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) may not expend funds appropriated above for the enforcement of Texas Government Code, Section 41.006, if the OAG requires in its enforcement of Section 41.006 forms with separate reporting requirements and reporting frequencies between judicial districts and counties based on population or any other factor.

Office of the Attorney General, Article I
Proposed Funding And Amend Rider
Trauma Recovery Centers Pilot Program

Overview

Add a rider to appropriate an additional \$8 million in general revenue in the biennium to the Office of the Governor to implement a Trauma Recovery Center Grant.

Required Action

1. On Page II-XX of the Office of the Governor bill pattern, included in amounts appropriated in the Trusted Programs of the Office of the Governor, Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice Victims Assistance Grants is \$4,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the biennium.
2. On page II-XX of the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add the following rider

. Trauma Recovery Center Grant. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice Victims Assistance Grants, is \$4,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium to the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor for the purpose of implementing a Trauma Recovery Center (TRC) Grant Program. Funds shall be used to make grants to qualified entities to implement and operate Trauma Recovery Centers to provide services to victims of crime. Qualified entities must utilize the evidence-informed integrated trauma recovery services model for service provision and delivery; and demonstrate adherence to all guidelines for implementing and operating a Trauma Recovery Center, as developed by the National Alliance of Trauma Recovery Centers.

This grant funding may be awarded to an existing TRC. Grants to an existing TRC may not exceed \$2,000,000 in any fiscal year. Grants shall be allocated to qualified entities in at least 2 new cities to begin additional TRC pilot programs. Awardees of the funding may accept other local and philanthropic funding.

A portion of the funds not to exceed \$100,000 in any fiscal year shall also be used to contract with or make grants to a national organization with expertise in the Trauma Recovery Center model to provide technical assistance to the Office of the Governor in implementing the program, or to provide assistance to grantees implementing the Trauma Recovery Center model

The Office of the Governor shall submit a report to the Legislative Budget Board on the program that includes the total population served and client outcome measures by August 31, 2027.

By: Perry

Office of the Attorney General, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Modification to Rider 9, Victims Assistance Grants

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/25/2025

Overview

Provide General Revenue of \$2,477,098 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,289,598 in fiscal year 2027 to the Office of the Attorney General in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for the Statewide Victims Notification System program. Add language in Rider 9, Victims Assistance Grants, to designate funding for the implementation of a Victim Information and Notification Everyday program.

Required Action

1. On page I-4 of Senate Bill 1 as introduced, within the Office of the Attorney General's bill pattern, add \$2,477,098 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,289,598 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue to Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance.
 2. On page I-9, within the Office of the Attorney General's bill pattern, amend Rider 9, Victims Assistance Grants, as shown:
- 9. Victims Assistance Grants.** Funds appropriated above in C.1.2, Victims Assistance, shall be spent as follows:

<u>Program:</u>	2026	2027
(1) Victims Assistance Coordinators and Victims Liaisons	\$2,439,143	\$2,439,143
(2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program	27,232,384	26,232,382
(3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants	2,024,468	2,024,468
(4) Legal Services Grants	2,500,000	2,500,000
(5) Other Victims Assistance Grants	10,942,758	10,942,758
(6) Statewide Victim Notification System	3,039,740 5,516,838	3,039,740 3,329,338
(7) Address Confidentiality	173,469	173,469
Total	\$48,351,962 \$50,829,060	\$47,351,960 \$48,641,558
<u>Method of Financing:</u>		
General Revenue	\$28,271,644 \$30,748,739	\$28,271,644 \$29,561,239
<u>General Revenue - Dedicated</u>		
Victims of Crime Auxiliary Fund No. 0494	\$173,469	\$173,469
Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010	\$16,694,468	\$15,694,466
Subtotal, General Revenue - Dedicated	<u>\$16,867,937</u>	<u>\$15,867,935</u>
Federal Funds	\$3,212,384	\$3,212,384
Total, Method of Financing	\$48,351,962 \$50,829,060	\$47,351,960 \$48,641,558

The Office of the Attorney General shall adopt rules for the competitive allocation of funds under item number (5) Other Victims Assistance Grants.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Office of the Attorney General shall enter

into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$38,569,602 for rape crisis centers to provide the minimum services as statutorily required by Government Code, Section 420.008(c)(1) to adult survivors of stranger and non-stranger sexual assault. This amount includes \$6,850,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$6,850,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010. Of this amount, \$9,000,000 shall be prioritized for the purposes of addressing current and projected waitlists for counseling of adult sexual assault survivors and sexual assault advocacy services at rape crisis centers. For the purposes of this rider, "rape crisis center" shall have the same meaning as "sexual assault program" in Government Code, Section 420.003 (7). In accordance with Texas statute, rape crisis centers remain eligible to apply for victim assistance funds in addition to the funds listed in program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$1,377,017 in fiscal year 2026 and \$377,017 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010 for the sexual assault nurse examiner program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 to rape crisis centers for a program that provides dedicated funding to support the unique challenges of rural and border counties including, but not limited to, support for satellite offices, co-location efforts, transportation costs, technology assistance and workforce challenges.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2027 for the sexual assault services program grant recipient to implement a centralized training, technical assistance and evaluation program for rape crisis centers across the state.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (6) Statewide Victim Notification System, is \$1,187,500 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to be used by the agency to expand the system in county jails, district courts, and county courts that do not currently receive these services. Also included in amounts appropriated above, is \$1,289,598 from the General Revenue Fund in each year of the biennium for ongoing costs associated with the program.

It is the intent of the Legislature that \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2027 appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General be used to fund domestic violence high risk teams.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

None of the funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, may be expended on grants to organizations that make contributions to campaigns for elective office or that endorse candidates.

The Office of the Attorney General shall notify the Legislative Budget Board, Governor and Comptroller at least 30 calendar days prior to the start of a new fiscal year if the revenue sources listed above are insufficient to provide the full appropriations to rape crisis centers or sexual assault nurse examiners program as indicated in this rider for the upcoming fiscal year.

Within 100 calendar days after the close of each fiscal year, the Office of the Attorney General shall submit a report detailing the expenditure of funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance. The report shall include information on the guidelines used to select programs that receive grants, the amount of grants awarded in each of the categories listed above, the amount of expenditures for administration, and audit and oversight activities conducted relating to the victims assistance grants and the programs receiving such grants. The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee.



By Flores

Office of the Attorney General
Article I
Maintaining Services for Survivors of Sexual Assault and
Enhancing Statewide Coordination

Proposed Action

Add \$10,450,000 General Revenue to C.1.2., Victims Assistance, including:

- \$5,450,000 for the Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program;
- \$3,000,000 for the rural and border pilot within the Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program; and
- \$2,000,000 for Sexual Assault Services Program Grants statewide coordination.

Amend Rider 9 in the bill pattern of the Office of the Attorney General as follows:

Rider Language

Rider 9. Victim Assistance Grants.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Office of the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of ~~\$44,019,602~~ \$38,569,602 for rape crisis centers to provide the minimum services as statutorily required by Government Code, Section 420.008(c)(1) to adult survivors of stranger and non-stranger sexual assault. This amount includes ~~\$9,575,000~~ 6,850,000 in fiscal year 2026 and ~~\$9,575,000~~ 6,850,000 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2026 and \$12,434,801 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010. Of this amount, \$9,000,000 shall be prioritized for the purposes of addressing current and projected waitlists for counseling of adult sexual assault survivors and sexual assault advocacy services at rape crisis centers. For the purposes of this rider, “rape crisis center” shall have the same meaning as “sexual assault program” in Government Code, Section 420.003 (7). In accordance with Texas statute, rape crisis centers remain eligible to apply for victim assistance funds in addition to the funds listed in program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of \$1,377,017 in fiscal year 2026 and \$377,017 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue-Dedicated Sexual Assault Program Account No. 5010 for the sexual assault nurse examiner program.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (2) Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program, the Attorney General shall enter into contracts or provide grants in the amount of ~~\$3,500,000~~ 2,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and ~~\$3,500,000~~ 2,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 to rape crisis centers for a pilot program that provides dedicated

funding to support the unique challenges of rural and border counties including, but not limited to, support for satellite offices, co-location efforts, transportation costs, technology assistance and workforce challenges.

Included in appropriations above in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, for program (3) Sexual Assault Services Program Grants is ~~\$1,500,000~~ ~~\$500,000~~ in fiscal year 2026 and ~~\$1,500,000~~ ~~\$500,000~~ in fiscal year 2027 for the sexual assault services program grant recipient to implement a centralized training, technical assistance and evaluation program for rape crisis centers across the state.

It is the intent of the Legislature that \$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$300,000 in fiscal year 2027 appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General be used to fund domestic violence high risk teams.

Any unexpended balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

None of the funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance, may be expended on grants to organizations that make contributions to campaigns for elective office or that endorse candidates.

The Office of the Attorney General shall notify the Legislative Budget Board, Governor and Comptroller at least 30 days prior to the start of a new fiscal year if the revenue sources listed above are insufficient to provide the full appropriations to rape crisis centers or sexual assault nurse examiners program as indicated in this rider for the upcoming fiscal year.

Within 100 days after the close of each fiscal year, the Office of the Attorney General shall submit a report detailing the expenditure of funds appropriated in Strategy C.1.2, Victims Assistance. The report shall include information on the guidelines used to select programs that receive grants, the amount of grants awarded in each of the categories listed above, the amount of expenditures for administration, and audit and oversight activities conducted relating to the victims assistance grants and the programs receiving such grants. The report shall be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board, the Governor, the Senate Finance Committee, and the House Appropriations Committee.



By: Hall

**Comptroller of Public Accounts – Fiscal Program and Texas
Workforce Commission
Proposed Rider
Broadband Infrastructure Apprenticeship Program**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/27/2025

Overview

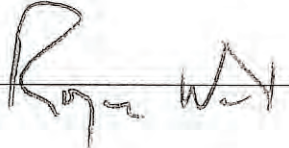
Prepare a rider which directs the Comptroller of Public Accounts – Fiscal Program to transfer \$10.0 million (\$5.0 million each fiscal year) from Strategy C.1.2, Texas BDO Federal Funds, to the Texas Workforce Commission to reimburse eligible employers who participate in the Broadband Infrastructure Apprentice Program.

Required Action

On page I-33 of the bill pattern for the Comptroller of Public Accounts – Fiscal Program and on Page VII-53 of the bill pattern for the Texas Workforce Commission, add the following new riders:

- _____. **Comptroller: Broadband Infrastructure Apprenticeship Program.** The Comptroller of Public Accounts – Fiscal Program shall transfer to the Texas Workforce Commission \$5,000,000 each fiscal year using amounts appropriated above in Strategy C.1.2, Texas BDO Federal Fund, to reimburse employers who participate in the Broadband Infrastructure Apprentice Program.

- _____. **Workforce: Broadband Infrastructure Apprenticeship Program.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.2, Apprenticeship, \$5,000,000 in each fiscal year via transfer by interagency contract by Comptroller of Public Accounts – Fiscal Program shall be used by the Texas Workforce Commission only for the purpose of reimbursing eligible employers who participate in the Broadband Infrastructure Apprentice Program.

By: West 

Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Funding for continuing legal education at regional training center in Dallas.

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/21/2025

Overview

Add funding and rider which directs \$5 million for the 2026-27 biennium toward funding continuing legal education classes at the future regional training center in Dallas.

Required Action

1. On page I-26, of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, increase GR-Dedicated Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education Account No. 116 by \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$2,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 in Strategy A.1.7, Law Enforcement Education Funds.
2. On page I-33 of the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts bill pattern, add the following rider:

25. **Continuing Legal Education in Dallas.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.7, Law Enforcement Education Funds, is \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium from the General Revenue-Dedicated Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education Account No. 116 for the purpose of funding future continuing legal education classes at the future regional training center in Dallas.


By: Hancock

**Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, Article I,
General Government**

**Proposed Rider
Contingency for Senate Bill ____.**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/12/25

Overview

Add funding of \$12,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$12,000,000 in FY 2027 from General Revenue to the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts for the purposes of implementing the provisions of Senate Bill ____, or similar legislation relating to providing reimbursements to families who are adopting for legal fees and other eligible expenses, contingent upon its enactment.

Required Action

1. On page I-26 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, increase General Revenue by \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and by \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 in a new strategy, A.1.15, Adoption Assistance.
2. On page I-33 of the bill pattern for the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts, add the following new rider:

____. **Contingency for Senate Bill ____.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill ____, or similar legislation relating to an adoption assistance program which provides reimbursements to families who are adopting for legal fees and other eligible expenses, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall use \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 2026, and \$ 12,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 from General Revenue, appropriated above in Strategy A.1.15, Adoption Assistance, to implement the provisions of the legislation.

By: King/Perry

Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts
Proposed Funding and Rider
Funding for broadband infrastructure expansion

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/27/25

Overview

Prepare a rider which directs the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts to use funds appropriated in the bill pattern to support increased connectivity, utilizing techniques using existing infrastructure.

Required Action

On page 1-33 of the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts bill pattern, add the following rider:

Broadband Infrastructure Expansion Pilot Program. It is the intent of the legislature that out of funds appropriated above in Strategy C.1.3, Texas BDO State Funds, the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts shall use \$10,000,000 from the Broadband Infrastructure Fund in fiscal year 2026 to support increased connectivity, utilizing innovative techniques using existing infrastructure. Any unexpended and unobligated balances of these funds remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated to the Fiscal Programs – Comptroller of Public Accounts for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, for the same purpose.

Senate Finance Budget Rider

TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION: EAST TEXAS MEMORY HEALTH LIFE CENTER

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. It is the intent of the legislature to appropriate \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for FY 2026-2027 to the Texas Facilities Commission from funds appropriated in ARTICLE I.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. The funds appropriated under this rider shall be used to construct a comprehensive brain and memory health care center in Quitman, Texas with a minimum of 36 beds to serve rural East Texas during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act. The purpose of this center is to train and educate health professionals, students, and emergency responder personnel with the latest strategies for engaging with patients affected by Alzheimer's and dementia.

SECTION 3. GOALS. The program aims to achieve the following goals:

- **Job Creation & Workforce Development:** The initiative is expected to generate direct employment opportunities in health care and facility operations while establishing a training pipeline for health professionals and emergency responders.
- **Strengthening Rural Health Care:** Expands access to specialized memory care professionals and services in rural East Texas, reducing the burden on local facilities and providing critical care closer to home.

SECTION 4. REPORTING REQUIREMENT. Under the oversight of the Wood County Central Hospital District, the newly established Memory Health District will manage, or contract with third parties to manage, specialized training programs and services that accomplish the purpose established toward the goals outlined in this rider for the new district.

Z. Garcia

[Signature]

By: Gutierrez

**Texas Facilities Commission, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Medical services center in the Geronimo area to be operated by the Guadalupe
County Medical Center
Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/12/2025**

Overview

Provide \$12,000,000 to the Texas Facilities Commission in Strategy A.2.1, Facilities Design and Construction, and add a rider directing the funding for a medical services center in the Geronimo area to be operated by the Guadalupe County Medical Center.

Required Action

1. Increase General Revenue by \$12,000,000 in Strategy A.2.1, Facilities Design and Construction, in fiscal year 2026 within the bill pattern for the Texas Facilities Commission.
2. Modify Rider 2, Capital Budget, in the Texas Facility's commission bill pattern to add a capital project for Guadalupe County Medical Center – Geronimo with the amount of \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and “UB” in fiscal year 2027.
3. Add the following rider to the Texas Facilities Commission bill pattern:

——. **Guadalupe County Medical Center (Geronimo)**. Included in appropriated amounts above in Strategy A.2.1, Facilities Design and Construction, is \$12,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for the purpose of constructing a medical services outpost in the Geronimo area to be operated by the Guadalupe County Medical Center. Any unexpended and unobligated balance remaining as of August 31, 2026, is appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.



By: West

Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Amend Rider
Grants for Bullet-Resistant Forensic Glass

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/21/2025

Overview

Add \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and create a new rider, Grants for Bullet-Resistant Forensic Glass, to allocate \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to provide grants for the purchase of bullet-resistant forensic glass for retrofitting existing law enforcement vehicles.

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Grants for Bullet-Resistant Forensic Glass, Included in amounts
appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$10,000,000 from the
General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for the purchase of bullet-resistant shields.

In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, (estimated to be \$0) from the General Revenue Fund made available pursuant to the budget execution order ratified on June 28, 2022, are appropriated for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for the purchase of bullet-resistant forensic glass to be distributed to law enforcement agencies.



By: Miles and Alvarado

Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Amend Rider
Increase Nonprofit Security Grant Program

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/10/2025

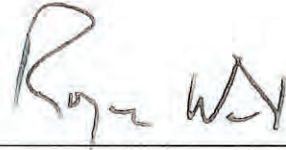
Overview

Add \$23,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security, and amend Rider 36, Nonprofit Security Grant Program, to allocate an additional \$23,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to provide grants for facility hardening and other physical security enhancements of nonprofit organizations against terrorist and other violent attacks.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$11,500,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$11,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security.
2. On page I-73, amend the following rider:
 36. **Nonprofit Security Grant Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security, is ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$12,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for the purpose of supplementing the existing federal Nonprofit Security Program, housed under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the purpose of providing grants for facility hardening and other physical security enhancements of nonprofit organizations against terrorist and other violent attacks.

By:



Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor, Article I

Proposed Rider

Contingency for SB209

Overview

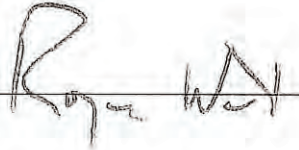
Add a rider in the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor bill pattern that appropriates \$25,000,000 in General Revenue and 2 additional FTE for the biennium to be used to fund the Texas Technology Innovation Trust Fund to provide state grant matching funds to eligible business entities headquartered in Texas that have received a grant or contract under the federal Small Business Innovation Research or Small Business Technology Transfer programs, contingent upon enactment of Senate Bill 209, or similar legislation creating the Texas Technology Innovation Program.

Required Action

On page I-__ of the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add the following rider:

____. **Contingency for Senate Bill 209.** Contingent on enactment of Senate Bill 209, or similar legislation relating to creation of the Texas Technology Innovation Trust Fund, by the Eighty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, the Trusted Programs within the Office of the Governor is appropriated \$25,000,000 in General Revenue in in Strategy C.1.1, Create Jobs and Promote Texas. No more than ten percent of the appropriation shall be used for administration of the program. Additionally, the commission's "Number of Full-Time Equivalents" is increased by 2 FTEs in fiscal year 2024 and by 2 FTEs in fiscal year 2025.

By: West



Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Closed Circuit TVs for Neighborhood Safety Program

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/21/2025

Overview

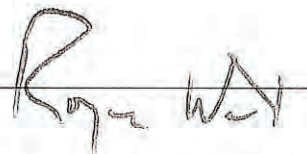
Add \$8,000,000 in General Revenue to the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and associated rider, to expand the Neighborhood Safety Program.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Closed Circuit TVs for Neighborhood Safety Program. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$4,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium that may be used only for the purpose of grants related to closed circuit televisions for the Neighborhood Safety Program. Any unexpended balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose in the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

By: West



Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Law Enforcement and First Responder Childcare Facility Establishment Grants

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/21/2025

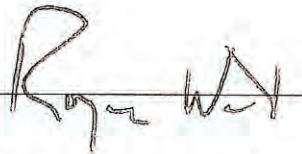
Overview

Add \$25,000,000 in General Revenue to the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.I.I, Criminal Justice, and associated rider, for new construction or retrofitting of existing facilities to create childcare facilities for use by first responders and law enforcement.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$25,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.I.I, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Law Enforcement and First Responder Childcare Facility Establishment Grants. It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants for the construction or retrofitting of existing facilities to create childcare facilities for use by first responders and law enforcement. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.I.I, Criminal Justice, is \$25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for this purpose. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

By: West 

**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Regional Anti-Gang Center**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/21/2025

Overview

Add \$10,000,000 in General Revenue to the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in the 2026-27 biennium in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and associated rider, for the purpose of maintaining the physical and operational infrastructure of a regional Texas Anti-Gang Center to include costs for personnel, contractual costs for building enhancements and information system interfaces, equipment, training, supplies, and direct operating expenses.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 in General Revenue for Border Security to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Regional Texas Anti-Gang Center Grant. It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants for the purpose of maintaining the physical and operational infrastructure of regional Texas anti-gang centers, including training, supplies, and direct and indirect operating expenses. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue for Border Security method of finance for this purpose. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

By: West



Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Amend Rider
Increase Grants for Bullet-Resistant Shields and Training

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/21/2025

Overview

Add \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and amend Rider 35, Grants for Bullet-Resistant Shields and Training, to allocate \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to provide grants for the purchase of bullet-resistant shields.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-73, amend the following rider:

35. **Grants for Bullet-Resistant Shields and Training. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for the purchase of bullet-resistant shields.**

In addition to amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, any unexpended and unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2025, (estimated to be \$0) from the General Revenue Fund made available pursuant to the budget execution order ratified on June 28, 2022, are appropriated for the biennium beginning September 1, 2025, for the purchase of bullet-resistant shields to be distributed based on the following priorities: (1) police officers directly employed by school districts, (2) police officers contracted by school districts, and (3) other law enforcement officers that may respond to school safety emergencies; and for grants to local law enforcement agencies to offset travel expenditures associated with Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training offered by Texas State University.

By: Hinojosa of Hidalgo

**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Amend Rider
Increase Nonprofit Security Grant Program**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/25/2025

Overview

Add \$8,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security, and amend Rider 36, Nonprofit Security Grant Program, to allocate a total of \$10,000,000 for the 2026-27 biennium to provide grants for facility hardening and other physical security enhancements of nonprofit organizations against terrorist and other violent attacks.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$4,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security.
2. On page I-73, amend the following rider:

36. **Nonprofit Security Grant Program.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.3, Homeland Security, is ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$5,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in each fiscal year of the 2026-27 biennium for the purpose of supplementing the existing federal Nonprofit Security Program, housed under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the purpose of providing grants for facility hardening and other physical security enhancements of nonprofit organizations against terrorist and other violent attacks.

By: Perry

Trusted Programs Within the Officer of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Hemp Enforcement Grants

Prepared by LBB Staff, 2/21/2025

Overview

Prepare a rider to direct added funding for grants for the rural enforcement of hemp and consumable hemp product laws.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Grants for Rural Enforcement of Hemp and Consumable Hemp Product Laws. It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide grants to reimburse local law enforcement agencies, district attorneys, criminal district attorneys, or county attorneys with criminal prosecution duties for costs associated with the enforcement of hemp and consumable hemp product laws. Priority shall be given to agencies or offices serving a county with a population of 300,000 or less. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 to provide grants for this purpose. Funds specified for this purpose shall not be expended for any other purpose. Any unexpended or unobligated balances remaining as of August 31, 2026, are appropriated for the same purpose for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026.

Boulder Coeytor

By: _____

**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
TEXAS EPIDEMIC PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
February 28, 2025**

Overview

In Article I, create a new strategy for the Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute (TEPHI) to conform with SB 1780, 87th Session and reduce funding by half from the original federal funding from the 87th Session of \$20 million for each year of the biennium to \$10 million for FY 2026 and \$10 million FY 2027. The reduced funding will continue the TexWEB wastewater monitoring program along the border, at international airports, and other areas of Texas to serve as an early warning system for dangerous pathogens, including those present due to actual or intentional release. TexWEB uses cutting-edge sequencing to detect thousands of infectious pathogens and their variants, including variants that are lab created. Similar technology can also be leveraged to monitor water quality and support a safe and healthy food supply chain.

Required Action

1. In article I on page I-___ in Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, add \$20 million in new general revenue to Goal B, create a new strategy, and add a new rider as follows for the Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute as follows:

	For the Years Ending	
	August 31,	August 31,
	2026	2027

B.1.4. Strategy: Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute.

TexWEB Border Security Wastewater Monitoring	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
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2. Add the following rider the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern:

____. **Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute.** Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.4., Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute, the Office of the Governor shall transfer \$10,000,000 for each year of the 2026 and 2027 biennium to The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston to operate the Texas Epidemic Public Health Institute (TEPHI) to protect public health through early identification of risks posed by infectious agents and threats to a healthy food supply chain.

- (a) TEPHI's TexWEB wastewater monitoring program will continue to monitor along the border, at the state's large international airports, and across the state for existing and emerging pathogens and make available to the Office of the Governor, the Department of State Health Services, and local partners with viral and other pathogen data from TexWEB, including antimicrobial resistance and targeted bacteria and

fungus, to serve as an early warning system for dangerous pathogens that may enter the state via international ports of entry.

- (b) TEPHI will support a safe and healthy food supply chain through water quality monitoring.
- (c) TEPHI will provide resources in nutrition education, including the dangers of artificial color, food additives, and other chemical ingredients banned by Canada, the European Union, or the United Kingdom, and Food is Medicine interventions to support the state's efforts to address the chronic disease epidemic

- 3. Add \$20 million to the informational rider in article IX, Sec. 7.10. Border Security, on page IX-43 for the the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor as follows:

Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor	2,888.7	<u>2,908.7</u>
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By Flores, Hinojosa

**Trusteed Program within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Victims of Crime Act Federal Funds Shortfall**

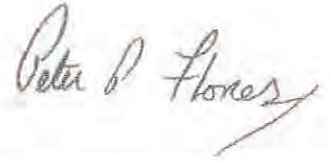
Overview

The introduced budget for the 2026-27 biennium includes \$115 million in state funds to partially cover a shortfall in federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding. In order to avoid a ten percent reduction in funding for victims of crime, the following rider adds an additional \$62 million for victims assistance grants.

Required Action

1. On Page I-63 of the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$62,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue fund to Strategy B.1.1., Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Federal Victims of Crime Funding Shortfall. Included in the amounts appropriated above to Strategy B.1.1., Criminal Justice, is \$177,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund for the purpose of addressing projected shortfalls in federal Victims of Crime Act funding and to negate any impact on the provision of grants for crime victims services. It is the intent of the legislature that grants made for victims of crime during the state fiscal year September 1, 2025, and the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, equal grants made for victims of crime during the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2024.



By: Hinojosa of Nueces

Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Technology Infrastructure

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/20/2025

Overview

Add General Revenue to the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor in fiscal year 2026 in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and associated rider, for 2 radio towers in a coastal county with a population of 350.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$5,852,417 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-75, add the following rider:

Technology Infrastructure. It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide a grant to a Texas county with a population of under 400 people along the Texas gulf coast in the amount of \$5,852,417 for the planning and development of two radio towers in accordance with Government Code, Section 411.4015. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$5,852,417 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for this purpose. Funds specified in this rider shall not be expended for any other purpose.

**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Increase Victims Assistance Grants Funding**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 03/06/2025

Overview

Add \$10,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, and add rider allocating the total Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding (\$125 million) from the General Revenue Fund for the 2026-27 biennium for VOCA grants.

Required Action

1. On page I-63 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from the General Revenue Fund to Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice.
2. On page I-73, amend the following rider:

____. **Victims of Crime.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$125,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 to provide grants for victims of crime for the 2026-27 biennium.

Judith Zaffirini

By: Zaffirini

**Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor, Article I
Proposed Rider
Laredo Police Department SAFE-Facility**

Prepared by LBB Staff, 02/04/2025

Overview

The Laredo Police Department plans to build a 6,500 square foot Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE)-Ready facility to include a sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE) room. Add a rider directing \$4,500,000 in General Revenue Funding from the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor to the Laredo Police Department for this purpose.

Required Action

On page I-75 of the Trusted Programs Within the Office of the Governor bill pattern, add the following rider:

- ____. **Laredo SAFE-Ready Facility.** It is the intent of the legislature that the Office of the Governor provide a grant to the Laredo Police Department for \$4,500,000 for the planning and construction of a Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE)-Ready facility to include a sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE) room. Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Criminal Justice, is \$4,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for this purpose.

Judith Zaffirini

By: Zaffirini

**Preservation Board, Article I
Proposed Funding and Rider
Adult Changing Station at the Texas Capitol**

Overview

Provide \$75,000 in General Revenue to the Preservation Board for fiscal year 2026 in Strategy A.1.2, Building Maintenance, to install an adult changing station in the Texas Capitol Building.

Required Action

1. Increase General Revenue by \$75,000 in Strategy A.1.2, Building Maintenance, in fiscal year 2026 within the bill pattern for the Preservation Board.
2. Add the following rider to the Preservation Board bill pattern:

____. **Adult Changing Station at the Texas Capitol.** Included in amounts appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2, Building Maintenance, is \$75,000 from the General Revenue Fund in fiscal year 2026 for the sole purpose of installing an adult changing station in the Capitol building.