S.B. No. 8

1 AN ACT

2 relating to making supplemental appropriations and giving

3 direction regarding appropriations.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: UNEMPLOYMENT

6 COMPENSATION FUND. The amount of \$7,245,419,946 is appropriated to

7 the comptroller of public accounts from money received by this

8 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.

9 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

10 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus

11 Relief Fund No. 325 for use during the state fiscal year beginning

12 September 1, 2021, for the purpose of immediately depositing that

13 amount to the credit of the unemployment compensation fund under

14 Section 203.021, Labor Code, to pay back outstanding advances

15 received by this state under Section 1201, Social Security Act (42

16 U.S.C. Section 1321), and to return the unemployment compensation

17 fund to the statutory floor computed under Section 204.061, Labor

18 Code, on October 1, 2021, as reimbursement for payments made as a

19 result of the coronavirus disease pandemic.

20 SECTION 2. TRUSTEED PROGRAMS WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE

21 GOVERNOR: TOURISM, TRAVEL, AND HOSPITALITY RECOVERY GRANTS. (a)

22 The amount of \$180,000,000 is appropriated to the Trusteed Programs

- 1 within the Office of the Governor from money received by this state
- 2 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
- 3 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 4 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 5 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for grants during
- 6 the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for
- 7 tourism, travel, and hospitality industry recovery, to the extent
- 8 the grants are authorized by other law.
- 9 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that the governor
- 10 give priority to potential grantees that have not received direct
- 11 federal aid and that the amount of each authorized grant awarded
- 12 does not exceed \$20,000.
- 13 SECTION 3. TRUSTEED PROGRAMS WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE
- 14 GOVERNOR: CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY. The amount of \$1,200,000 is
- 15 appropriated to the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the
- 16 Governor from money received by this state from the Coronavirus
- 17 State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established
- 18 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and
- 19 deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for
- 20 the purpose of providing funding for information technology case
- 21 management system improvements for children's advocacy centers
- 22 during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this
- 23 Act.
- SECTION 4. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: COVID-19
- 25 SERVICES. (a) The amount of \$2,000,000,000 is appropriated to the
- 26 Department of State Health Services from money received by this
- 27 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.

- 1 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- 2 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
- 3 Relief Fund No. 325 during the period beginning on the effective
- 4 date of this Act and ending January 1, 2023, for the following
- 5 purposes related to costs incurred during the period beginning
- 6 March 3, 2021, and ending January 1, 2023, due to the coronavirus
- 7 disease pandemic:
- 8 (1) providing funding for surge staffing at state and
- 9 local hospitals, long-term care facilities, psychiatric hospitals,
- 10 and nursing facilities;
- 11 (2) purchasing therapeutic drugs, including drugs for
- 12 monoclonal antibody treatments; and
- 13 (3) providing funding for the operation of regional
- 14 infusion centers.
- 15 (b) Notwithstanding Section 13.05, page IX-64, Chapter 1053
- 16 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the
- 17 General Appropriations Act), the Department of State Health
- 18 Services shall expend any Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds
- 19 freed-up as a result of reimbursements received by the Department
- 20 of State Health Services from the Federal Emergency Management
- 21 Agency related to expenditures paid from money appropriated under
- 22 Subsection (a) of this section only after prior approval of the
- 23 Legislative Budget Board.
- 24 SECTION 5. FISCAL PROGRAMS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC
- 25 ACCOUNTS: BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE. (a) The amount of
- 26 \$500,475,163 is appropriated to Fiscal Programs Comptroller of
- 27 Public Accounts from money received by this state from the

- 1 Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 804)
- 2 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 3 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 4 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for broadband
- 5 infrastructure in accordance with Section 490I.0108, Government
- 6 Code, and other applicable state or federal law during the two-year
- 7 period beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 8 (b) Out of money appropriated by Subsection (a) of this
- 9 section, \$75,000,000 may be used only for the Texas broadband pole
- 10 replacement program.
- 11 SECTION 6. DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE: COMPENSATION.
- 12 (a) The amount of \$359,673,191 is appropriated to the Department of
- 13 Criminal Justice from money received by this state from the
- 14 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 15 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 16 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 17 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing compensation for agency
- 18 employees for the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2021.
- 19 (b) The Department of Criminal Justice shall:
- 20 (1) in consultation with the comptroller of public
- 21 accounts and the Legislative Budget Board, determine the proper
- 22 allocation of benefits included in the appropriations made under
- 23 Subsection (a) of this section; and
- 24 (2) identify the strategies and objectives for which
- 25 the appropriations made under Subsection (a) of this section are
- 26 directed.
- 27 (c) It is the intent of the legislature that the Department

- 1 of Criminal Justice consider the appropriations as a change in the
- 2 method of finance of the compensation to be paid to agency employees
- 3 and not as an increase in total appropriations to the agency.
- 4 SECTION 7. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE: FOOD BANKS. The
- 5 amount of \$95,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of
- 6 Agriculture from money received by this state from the Coronavirus
- 7 State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established
- 8 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and
- 9 deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for
- 10 the purpose of providing supplemental funding to food banks in
- 11 response to the coronavirus pandemic during the two-year period
- 12 beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 13 SECTION 8. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD: TEXAS
- 14 CHILD MENTAL HEALTH CARE CONSORTIUM. (a) The amount of
- 15 \$113,082,887 is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
- 16 Board from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
- 17 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
- 18 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
- 19 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
- 20 of supporting the operations and expansion of the Texas Child
- 21 Mental Health Care Consortium to expand mental health initiatives
- 22 for children, pregnant women, and women who are up to one year
- 23 postpartum during the two-year period beginning on the effective
- 24 date of this Act. At the direction of the Texas Child Mental Health
- 25 Care Consortium, the Higher Education Coordinating Board shall
- 26 transfer appropriations through interagency contracts with
- 27 health-related institutions of higher education for the following

- 1 purposes:
- 2 (1) \$20,578,442 for enhancements and expansion of the
- 3 Child Psychiatry Access Network;
- 4 (2) \$56,218,976 for enhancements and expansion of the
- 5 Texas Child Access Through Telemedicine program;
- 6 (3) \$32,991,791 for expansion of the child and
- 7 adolescent mental health workforce; and
- 8 (4) \$3,293,676 for administrative expenses.
- 9 (b) Not later than December 1, 2021, out of money
- 10 appropriated by Subsection (a) of this section, the Higher
- 11 Education Coordinating Board shall transfer \$3,293,676 to an
- 12 institution of higher education designated by the Texas Child
- 13 Mental Health Care Consortium for oversight and evaluation of the
- 14 outlined initiatives by means of interagency agreements or any
- 15 other necessary contracts.
- 16 (c) The Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium may
- 17 transfer up to 10 percent of money appropriated for the purposes
- 18 described by Subsection (a)(1), (2), or (3) of this section to any
- 19 of the other purposes described by those provisions. The Texas
- 20 Child Mental Health Care Consortium may transfer more than 10
- 21 percent of funds for those purposes only with the prior approval for
- 22 the transfer and expenditure from the Legislative Budget Board. A
- 23 request for approval of the transfer and expenditure by the
- 24 consortium is considered approved unless the Legislative Budget
- 25 Board issues a written disapproval within 10 business days of the
- 26 receipt and review of the request by the Legislative Budget Board.
- 27 (d) Out of money appropriated by Subsection (a) of this

- 1 section, the Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium may enhance
- 2 the Child Psychiatry Access Network to improve perinatal mental
- 3 health services.
- 4 SECTION 9. TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: STATE
- 5 OPERATIONS CENTER. The amount of \$300,000,000 is appropriated to
- 6 the Texas Division of Emergency Management from money received by
- 7 this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
- 8 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
- 9 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
- 10 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of the acquisition
- 11 of land for, and construction of, a state operations center during
- 12 the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 13 SECTION 10. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD:
- 14 UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION. (a) Contingent on legislation by the
- 15 87th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 2021, relating to the
- 16 issuance of tuition revenue bonds, becoming law, the amount of
- 17 \$325,000,000 is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
- 18 Board from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
- 19 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
- 20 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
- 21  $\,$  to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
- 22 of university construction during the two-year period beginning on
- 23 the effective date of this Act.
- 24 (b) If an appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this
- 25 section for any reason is determined by the United States
- 26 Department of the Treasury or any other qualified state or federal
- 27 authority to have been made for an improper use:

- 1 (1) the appropriated money may not be spent and shall
- 2 be retained in the treasury and available for later legislative
- 3 appropriation; and
- 4 (2) an amount equal to the amount of the appropriation
- 5 that was determined to have been made for an improper use is
- 6 appropriated from the general revenue fund to the Higher Education
- 7 Coordinating Board for the purpose and period described by
- 8 Subsection (a) of this section.
- 9 SECTION 11. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: DALLAS
- 10 STATE HOSPITAL. (a) The amount of \$237,800,000 is appropriated to
- 11 the Health and Human Services Commission from money received by
- 12 this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
- 13 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
- 14 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
- 15 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of construction of
- 16 a state hospital in Dallas during the two-year period beginning on
- 17 the effective date of this Act.
- 18 (b) The capital budget authority of the Health and Human
- 19 Services Commission in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th
- 20 Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations
- 21 Act), is increased by \$237,800,000 for the appropriation made under
- 22 Subsection (a) of this section.
- 23 SECTION 12. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: RURAL
- 24 HOSPITALS. The amount of \$75,000,000 is appropriated to the Health
- 25 and Human Services Commission from money received by this state
- 26 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
- 27 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.

- 1 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 2 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for grants to
- 3 support rural hospitals that have been affected by the COVID-19
- 4 pandemic during the two-year period beginning on the effective date
- 5 of this Act.
- 6 SECTION 13. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: INTERNET
- 7 PORTAL. The amount of \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the Health and
- 8 Human Services Commission from money received by this state from
- 9 the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 10 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 11 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 12 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for the creation
- 13 of a consolidated Internet portal for Medicaid and the Children's
- 14 Health Insurance Program medical services provider data during the
- 15 two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 16 SECTION 14. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION:
- 17 TECHNOLOGY UPDATES. The amount of \$5,000,000 is appropriated to
- 18 the Health and Human Services Commission from money received by
- 19 this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
- 20 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
- 21 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
- 22 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing
- 23 funding for technology updates to the Medicaid eligibility computer
- 24 system during the two-year period beginning on the effective date
- 25 of this Act.
- 26 SECTION 15. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: TEXAS
- 27 CIVIL COMMITMENT OFFICE. The amount of \$14,250 is appropriated to

- 1 the Health and Human Services Commission for the Texas Civil
- 2 Commitment Office from money received by this state from the
- 3 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 4 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 5 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 6 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for COVID-19
- 7 related expenses incurred by the Texas Civil Commitment Office
- 8 related to consumable supplies and travel during the two-year
- 9 period beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 10 SECTION 16. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: RIO
- 11 GRANDE VALLEY. The amount of \$16,700,000 is appropriated to the
- 12 Department of State Health Services from money received by this
- 13 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 14 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- 15 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
- 16 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of upgrading existing
- 17 laboratory facilities associated with a level 1 trauma facility in
- 18 Hidalgo County and new laboratory infrastructure in Starr County
- 19 during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this
- 20 Act.
- 21 SECTION 17. THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
- 22 AT HOUSTON: TEXAS EPIDEMIC PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE. The amount of
- 23 \$40,000,000 is appropriated to The University of Texas Health
- 24 Science Center at Houston from money received by this state from the
- 25 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 26 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 27 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief

- 1 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of operating the Texas Epidemic Public
- 2 Health Institute during the two-year period beginning on the
- 3 effective date of this Act.
- 4 SECTION 18. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD: TEXAS
- 5 RESKILLING AND UPSKILLING THROUGH EDUCATION (TRUE) PROGRAM. (a)
- 6 The amount of \$15,000,000 is appropriated to the Higher Education
- 7 Coordinating Board from money received by this state from the
- 8 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 9 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 10 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 11 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of operating the Texas Reskilling and
- 12 Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Program during the two-year
- 13 period beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 14 (b) The Higher Education Coordinating Board shall
- 15 distribute the money appropriated by Subsection (a) of this section
- 16 in a manner consistent with Subchapter T-2, Chapter 61, Education
- 17 Code, as added by Section 1, Chapter 601 (S.B. 1102), Acts of the
- 18 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021. The board may not place
- 19 additional eligibility requirements on eligible entities beyond
- 20 the statutory limitations of Subchapter T-2, Chapter 61, Education
- 21 Code, as added by Section 1, Chapter 601 (S.B. 1102), Acts of the
- 22 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, including matching fund
- 23 requirements by recipients of money appropriated by this section.
- 24 SECTION 19. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD:
- 25 PERFORMANCE-BASED FUNDING FOR AT-RISK STUDENTS AT COMPREHENSIVE
- 26 REGIONAL UNIVERSITIES. (a) The amount of \$20,000,000 is
- 27 appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Board from money

- 1 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
- 2 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
- 3 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
- 4 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of allocating
- 5 and distributing the money in a manner that is consistent with
- 6 Subsection (b) of this section and Section 62.183(b), Education
- 7 Code, as added by Section 2, Chapter 186 (S.B. 1295), Acts of the
- 8 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, during the state fiscal
- 9 year beginning September 1, 2021.
- 10 (b) After consultation with the Legislative Budget Board,
- 11 the Higher Education Coordinating Board shall allocate and
- 12 distribute the money appropriated by Subsection (a) of this section
- 13 to each eligible institution, as defined by Section 62.181,
- 14 Education Code, as added by Section 2, Chapter 186 (S.B. 1295), Acts
- 15 of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, in an amount equal
- 16 to the sum of the following:
- 17 (1) \$250,000; and
- 18 (2) the product of:
- (A) an amount of money (estimated to be \$400);
- 20 and
- 21 (B) the average number of at-risk students
- 22 awarded a degree by the eligible institution each year during the
- 23 three state fiscal years preceding the first year of the state
- 24 fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2021.
- 25 SECTION 20. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE: HOME-DELIVERED
- 26 MEALS. The amount of \$5,000,000 is appropriated to the Department
- 27 of Agriculture from money received by this state from the

- 1 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 2 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 3 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 4 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for
- 5 home-delivered meals during the two-year period beginning on the
- 6 effective date of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 21. GENERAL LAND OFFICE AND VETERANS LAND BOARD:
- 8 TEXAS STATE VETERANS HOMES. The amount of \$35,000,000 is
- 9 appropriated to the General Land Office and the Veterans Land Board
- 10 from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal
- 11 Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
- 12 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
- 13 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
- 14 of providing funding for HVAC upgrades, negative pressure COVID-19
- 15 wards, and mobile HEPA air filtration units for Texas state
- 16 veterans homes during the two-year period beginning on the
- 17 effective date of this Act.
- 18 SECTION 22. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: SUNRISE
- 19 CANYON HOSPITAL. The amount of \$15,000,000 is appropriated to the
- 20 Health and Human Services Commission from money received by this
- 21 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 22 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- 23 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
- 24 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding during the
- 25 two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for the
- 26 expansion of capacity of Sunrise Canyon Hospital.
- 27 SECTION 23. HISTORICAL

COMMISSION:

- 1 WASHINGTON-ON-THE-BRAZOS CAPITAL PLAN PROJECT. The amount of
- 2 \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the Historical Commission from money
- 3 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
- 4 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
- 5 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
- 6 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing
- 7 funding during the two-year period beginning on the effective date
- 8 of this Act for the purposes of the commission's capital plan
- 9 project for the Washington-on-the-Brazos state historic site.
- 10 SECTION 24. TRUSTEED PROGRAMS WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE
- 11 GOVERNOR: VICTIMS OF CRIME. (a) The amount of \$160,000,000 is
- 12 appropriated to the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the
- 13 Governor from money received by this state from the Coronavirus
- 14 State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established
- 15 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and
- 16 deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for
- 17 the purpose of providing funding for grants for victims of crime
- 18 during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this
- 19 Act.
- 20 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that grants made for
- 21 victims of crime during the state fiscal year beginning September
- 22 1, 2021, and the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2022,
- 23 equal grants made for victims of crime during the state fiscal year
- 24 beginning September 1, 2020.
- 25 SECTION 25. DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES:
- 26 CYBERSECURITY PROJECTS. (a) The amount of \$200,000,000 is
- 27 appropriated to the Department of Information Resources for deposit

- 1 into the Technology Improvement and Modernization Fund No. 187 and
- 2 for use during the two-year period beginning on the effective date
- 3 of this Act for the purpose of cybersecurity projects from money
- 4 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
- 5 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
- 6 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
- 7 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325. Before spending money
- 8 appropriated under this subsection, the department must receive
- 9 approval for the proposed cybersecurity projects from the Joint
- 10 Oversight Committee on Investment in Information Technology
- 11 Improvement and Modernization Projects established under Section
- 12 2054.578, Government Code.
- 13 (b) The capital budget authority of the Department of
- 14 Information Resources in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th
- 15 Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations
- 16 Act), is increased by \$200,000,000 for the appropriation made under
- 17 Subsection (a) of this section.
- 18 SECTION 26. TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION: PERMIAN BASIN
- 19 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER. (a) The amount of \$40,000,000 is
- 20 appropriated to the Texas Facilities Commission from money received
- 21 by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
- 22 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
- 23 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
- 24 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of constructing a
- 25 100-bed comprehensive behavioral health center to serve the Permian
- 26 Basin region during the two-year period beginning on the effective
- 27 date of this Act.

- 1 (b) Upon completion of the construction described by
- 2 Subsection (a) of this section, ownership of the building shall
- 3 transfer to the Permian Basin Behavioral Health Center controlled
- 4 by the Ector County Hospital District and the Midland County
- 5 Hospital District.
- 6 (c) The appropriation under Subsection (a) of this section
- 7 is contingent on the completion of a signed agreement between the
- 8 Texas Facilities Commission and the Ector County Hospital District
- 9 and the Midland County Hospital District guaranteeing the ongoing
- 10 operations of the comprehensive behavioral health center described
- 11 by Subsection (a) of this section by the Permian Basin Behavioral
- 12 Health Center to ensure the continuing benefit to the residents of
- 13 this state.
- 14 SECTION 27. OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: SEXUAL ASSAULT
- 15 PROGRAM ACCOUNT. The amount of \$52,277,114 is appropriated to the
- 16 Office of the Attorney General for deposit into the Sexual Assault
- 17 Program Account No. 5010 and for use by the office as authorized by
- 18 other law during the two-year period beginning on the effective
- 19 date of this Act from money received by this state from the
- 20 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 21 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 22 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 23 Fund No. 325.
- 24 SECTION 28. OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: CRIME VICTIMS
- 25 COMPENSATION. The amount of \$54,756,000 is appropriated to the
- 26 Office of the Attorney General for deposit into the Compensation to
- 27 Victims of Crime Account No. 469 and for use by the office during

- 1 the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for
- 2 the purpose of compensating crime victims from money received by
- 3 this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
- 4 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
- 5 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
- 6 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325.
- 7 SECTION 29. APPROPRIATIONS FOR SHORTFALL IN COURT FEES.
- 8 (a) To address matters related to shortfalls in court fee
- 9 collections, the following amounts are appropriated to the
- 10 following entities from money received by this state from the
- 11 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 12 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 13 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 14 Fund No. 325 for the indicated purposes for the two-year period
- 15 beginning on the effective date of this Act:
- 16 (1) Comptroller of Public Accounts, Judiciary
- 17 Section: \$7,000,000 for the purpose of addressing the backlog in
- 18 court cases, including to pay for visiting judges and support
- 19 staff;
- 20 (2) Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial
- 21 Council:
- (A) \$3,000,000 for the purpose of addressing the
- 23 backlog in court cases, including information technology support;
- 24 and
- 25 (B) for Strategy D.1.1., Texas Indigent Defense
- 26 Commission, as listed in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th
- 27 Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations

- 1 Act), \$13,942,466 for deposit into the Fair Defense Account
- 2 No. 5073 and for use by the office for the purpose of addressing the
- 3 backlog in court cases, as authorized by other law;
- 4 (3) Office of Capital and Forensic Writs: \$200,000 for
- 5 the purpose of addressing the backlog in court cases and paying
- 6 costs related to the coronavirus disease pandemic; and
- 7 (4) Texas Commission on Law Enforcement: \$5,800,000
- 8 for deposit into the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Account
- 9 No. 116 and for use by the commission as authorized by other law.
- 10 (b) During the two-year period beginning on the effective
- 11 date of this Act, in addition to the number of full-time equivalent
- 12 (FTE) employees other law authorizes the office to employ during
- 13 that period, the Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial
- 14 Council may employ out of money appropriated by Subsection
- 15 (a)(2)(A) of this section eight full-time equivalent (FTE)
- 16 employees.
- 17 (c) During the two-year period beginning on the effective
- 18 date of this Act, in addition to the number of full-time equivalent
- 19 (FTE) employees other law authorizes the office to employ during
- 20 that period, the Office of Capital and Forensic Writs may employ out
- 21 of money appropriated by Subsection (a)(3) of this section one
- 22 full-time equivalent (FTE) employee.
- 23 (d) The capital budget authority of the Office of Court
- 24 Administration, Texas Judicial Council, in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1),
- 25 Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General
- 26 Appropriations Act), is increased by \$1,330,680 for the
- 27 appropriation made under Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section.

- 1 SECTION 30. COMMISSION ON STATE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS: NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 SERVICE FUND. (a) The amount of \$150,000,000 2 is appropriated to the Commission on State Emergency Communications 3 for deposit into the Next Generation 9-1-1 Service Fund No. 0195 4 and for use by the commission as authorized by other law for the 5 deployment and reliable operation of next generation 9-1-1 service, 6 7 including equipment and administration costs, during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act from money 8 9 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery 10 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of 11 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325. 12
- (b) In accordance with Section 771.0713(f), Health and Safety Code, it is the intent of the legislature that all money appropriated under Subsection (a) of this section be distributed not later than December 31, 2022, and all money distributed under this subsection be spent not later than December 31, 2024, for the purpose described by Subsection (a) of this section.
- SECTION 31. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: PRESIDIO CUSTOMS 19 20 INSPECTION STATION. The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Transportation from money received by this state 21 22 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. 23 24 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief 25 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for a customs inspection station on the South Orient Rail Line in Presidio, 26 27 Texas, during the two-year period beginning on the effective date

- 1 of this Act.
- 2 SECTION 32. TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM: TRS-CARE AND
- 3 TRS-ACTIVECARE. (a) The amount of \$286,337,761 is appropriated to
- 4 the Teacher Retirement System from money received by this state
- 5 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
- 6 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 7 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 8 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding during the
- 9 two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for
- 10 coronavirus-related claims in TRS-Care and TRS-ActiveCare.
- 11 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that premiums for
- 12 TRS-Care and TRS-ActiveCare insurance policies not increase as a
- 13 result of coronavirus-related claims.
- 14 (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (b) of this section, it is
- 15 the intent of the legislature that the premiums for TRS-Care and
- 16 TRS-ActiveCare programs be calculated and adjusted taking into
- 17 consideration the money appropriated under this section.
- 18 SECTION 33. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: STAFFING
- 19 NEEDS. (a) The amount of \$378,300,000 is appropriated to the
- 20 Health and Human Services Commission from money received by this
- 21 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 22 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- 23 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
- 24 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding during the
- 25 two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act for the
- 26 Health and Human Services Commission to administer one-time grants
- 27 related to providing critical staffing needs resulting from

- 1 frontline health care workers affected by COVID-19, including
- 2 recruitment and retention bonuses for staff:
- 3 (1) of nursing facilities, assisted living
- 4 facilities, home health agencies, and facilities that serve persons
- 5 with intellectual or developmental disabilities in an intermediate
- 6 care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities or
- 7 related conditions (ICF/IID); or
- 8 (2) who provide community attendant services.
- 9 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that the Health and
- 10 Human Services Commission prioritize grants to grantees that comply
- 11 with the reporting requirements prescribed by Rider 143 (Health and
- 12 Human Services Commission), Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th
- 13 Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations
- 14 Act), the reporting requirements established by Chapter 588 (S.B.
- 15 809), Acts of the 87th Legislature, 2021, or equivalent reporting
- 16 requirements established by the Health and Human Services
- 17 Commission.
- 18 (c) Annually, the Health and Human Services Commission
- 19 shall report to the Legislative Budget Board the grants awarded
- 20 under this section. The report must include, for the year covered
- 21 by the report, the amount of grants awarded, the award recipients,
- 22 and the total amount of each grant used by the recipient. The
- 23 report must be submitted to the Legislative Budget Board not later
- 24 than December 1 of the year in which the report is due.
- 25 (d) Of the amount appropriated under Subsection (a) of this
- 26 section:
- 27 (1) \$200,000,000 shall be used only for grants for

- 1 nursing facilities; and
- 2 (2) \$178,300,000 shall be used only for grants for
- 3 assisted living facilities, home health agencies, community
- 4 attendants, and facilities that serve persons with intellectual or
- 5 developmental disabilities in an intermediate care facility for
- 6 individuals with intellectual disabilities or related conditions
- 7 (ICF/IID).
- 8 (e) It is the intent of the legislature that the Health and
- 9 Human Services Commission consider federal COVID-19 relief money
- 10 received by providers when allocating the money described by
- 11 Subsection (d)(2) of this section.
- 12 SECTION 34. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: FEDERALLY
- 13 QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER INCUBATOR PROGRAM. The amount of
- 14 \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of State Health
- 15 Services from money received by this state from the Coronavirus
- 16 State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established
- 17 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and
- 18 deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for
- 19 use during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of
- 20 this Act for the Federally Qualified Health Center Incubator
- 21 Program.
- 22 SECTION 35. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: EMERGENCY
- 23 MEDICAL SERVICES. (a) The amount of \$21,700,000 is appropriated to
- 24 the Department of State Health Services from money received by this
- 25 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 26 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- 27 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus

- 1 Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding for
- 2 emergency medical response service staffing, including:
- 3 (1) funding for programs to incentivize and increase
- 4 the number of Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and paramedics
- 5 that provide care on an ambulance, including funding for emergency
- 6 medical services workforce development initiatives at regional
- 7 advisory councils; and
- 8 (2) funding for Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- 9 education programs, including distance learning programs, to
- 10 increase the number of EMTs and paramedics graduating from EMS
- 11 education programs.
- 12 (b) It is the intent of the legislature that, consistent
- 13 with state law, the Department of State Health Services prioritize
- 14 funding appropriated under Subsection (a) of this section for rural
- 15 and underserved areas.
- 16 SECTION 36. PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT: EDUCATION AND
- 17 OUTREACH GRANTS. The amount of \$40,000,000 is appropriated to the
- 18 Parks and Wildlife Department from money received by this state
- 19 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
- 20 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 21 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 22 Fund No. 325 to be used during the two-year period beginning on the
- 23 effective date of this Act for the purpose of providing funding for
- 24 grants throughout this state as authorized by other law and
- 25 consistent with Strategy C.2.1., Outreach and Education, as listed
- 26 in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular
- 27 Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations Act).

- SECTION 37. GENERAL LAND OFFICE: BRAZORIA COUNTY BEACH AND 1 2 DUNE MAINTENANCE. The amount of \$5,000,000 is appropriated to the General Land Office for the two-year period beginning on the 3 effective date of this Act from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) 5 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. 6 7 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for use by the office to maintain with Brazoria County 8 9 approximately 4,600 feet of beach and dunes along the Bluewater Highway and Beach Access Road Five. 10
- SECTION 38. GENERAL LAND OFFICE: ANALYSIS OF COASTAL TEXAS 11 STUDY DESIGN ELEMENTS. The amount of \$300,000 is appropriated to 12 13 the General Land Office from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) 14 15 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. 16 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 to be used during the two-year period beginning on the 17 effective date of this Act for the purpose of providing funding for 18 a cost and component analysis of the Coastal Texas Study design 19 20 elements to be conducted by the Gulf Coast Protection District under an agreement between the office and the district. 21
- SECTION 39. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY: INSTITUTE FOR A DISASTER RESILIENT TEXAS. (a) The amount of \$1,150,000 is appropriated to Texas A&M University Galveston from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief

- 1 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding to the Institute
- 2 for a Disaster Resilient Texas.
- 3 (b) Out of amounts appropriated by Subsection (a) of this
- 4 section:
- 5 (1) \$1,000,000 may be used only for Digital Flood Risk
- 6 Infrastructure for Underserved Communities; and
- 7 (2) \$150,000 may be used only for office space in
- 8 Houston.
- 9 SECTION 40. TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY OF
- 10 HOUSTON: INSTITUTIONAL ENHANCEMENTS. The amount of \$100,000,000
- 11 is appropriated from money received by this state from the
- 12 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 13 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 14 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 15 Fund No. 325 for institutional enhancement during the two-year
- 16 period beginning on the effective date of this Act to the following
- 17 entities and in the following amounts:
- 18 (1) \$50,000,000 to Texas Tech University; and
- 19 (2) \$50,000,000 to the University of Houston.
- 20 SECTION 41. COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: TEXAS SAFE
- 21 KEEPING TRUST FUND. (a) The amount of \$100,000,000 is appropriated
- 22 to the comptroller of public accounts from money received by this
- 23 state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C.
- 24 Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
- 25 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus
- 26 Relief Fund No. 325 for immediate deposit to an account or fund to
- 27 be managed by the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company as

- 1 trustee for the benefit of the State Preservation Board to maintain
- 2 the Bob Bullock State History Museum.
- 3 (b) If an appropriation made under Subsection (a) of this
- 4 section for any reason is determined by the United States
- 5 Department of the Treasury or any other qualified state or federal
- 6 authority to have been made for an improper use:
- 7 (1) the appropriated money may not be spent and shall
- 8 be retained in the treasury and available for later legislative
- 9 appropriation; and
- 10 (2) an amount equal to the amount of the appropriation
- 11 that was determined to have been made for an improper use is
- 12 appropriated from the general revenue fund to the comptroller of
- 13 public accounts for the purpose described by Subsection (a) of this
- 14 section.
- 15 SECTION 42. PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT: TEXAS STATE
- 16 AQUARIUM CENTER. The amount of \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the
- 17 Parks and Wildlife Department from money received by this state
- 18 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section
- 19 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 20 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 21 Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing funding to the Texas State
- 22 Aquarium Center for wildlife research during the two-year period
- 23 beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 24 SECTION 43. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN: MARINE SCIENCE
- 25 INSTITUTE HOUSING REPLACEMENT. The amount of \$3,000,000 is
- 26 appropriated to the University of Texas at Austin from money
- 27 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery

- 1 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
- 2 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
- 3 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing
- 4 funding for the Marine Science Institute student housing
- 5 replacement for the two-year period beginning on the effective date
- 6 of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 44. TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY: PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS.
- 8 The amount of \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the Texas Education
- 9 Agency from money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
- 10 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
- 11 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited
- 12 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose
- 13 of providing funding for the big brothers and big sisters program
- 14 technological staff enhancements for the two-year period beginning
- 15 on the effective date of this Act.
- 16 SECTION 45. UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN: BRISCOE GARNER
- 17 MUSEUM. The amount of \$235,000 is appropriated to the University of
- 18 Texas at Austin from money received by this state from the
- 19 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802)
- 20 established under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L.
- 21 No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief
- 22 Fund No. 325 to the University of Texas at Austin for the Briscoe
- 23 Garner Museum for the two-year period beginning on the effective
- 24 date of this Act.
- 25 SECTION 46. HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD: RURAL
- 26 VETERINARIANS GRANT PROGRAM. The amount of \$1,000,000 is
- 27 appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Board from money

- 1 received by this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
- 2 Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue
- 3 Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of
- 4 the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of providing
- 5 funding for the rural veterinarians grant program for the two-year
- 6 period beginning on the effective date of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 47. STATE PRESERVATION BOARD: MAINTENANCE AND
- 8 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. (a) The amount of \$25,000,000 is
- 9 appropriated to the State Preservation Board from money received by
- 10 this state from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (42
- 11 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the American Rescue Plan Act
- 12 of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited to the credit of the
- 13 Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 for the purpose of maintenance and
- 14 capital improvement projects during the state fiscal biennium
- 15 beginning September 1, 2021.
- 16 (b) The capital budget authority of the State Preservation
- 17 Board in Chapter 1053 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature,
- 18 Regular Session, 2021 (the General Appropriations Act), is
- 19 increased by \$25,000,000 for the appropriation made under
- 20 Subsection (a) of this section.
- 21 SECTION 48. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES AND HEALTH
- 22 AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION: FEDERAL FUNDS FOR HOSPITALS. It is
- 23 the intent of the Legislature that the Department of State Health
- 24 Services and the Health and Human Services Commission, in
- 25 distributing any money received from the Coronavirus State Fiscal
- 26 Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
- 27 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and deposited

- 1 to the credit of the Coronavirus Relief Fund No. 325 distribute the
- 2 money appropriated by this Act to entities that are subject to the
- 3 hospital price transparency public disclosure requirements
- 4 required by 45 C.F.R. Sections 180.10 180.60 and, on
- 5 implementation of rules adopted under the chapter, by Chapter 327,
- 6 Health and Safety Code.
- 7 SECTION 49. REPORT ON FEDERAL FUNDS BY LEGISLATIVE BUDGET
- 8 BOARD. (a) The Legislative Budget Board, in consultation with the
- 9 comptroller of public accounts, shall report on the board's
- 10 Internet website:
- 11 (1) for each political subdivision in this state, an
- 12 informational listing of any money appropriated by this Act and
- 13 received by the subdivision; and
- 14 (2) for each state agency and each institution of
- 15 higher education that receives money appropriated by this Act, an
- 16 informational listing of the following:
- 17 (A) the amount of money received by the agency or
- 18 institution;
- 19 (B) the federal legislation that authorized
- 20 distribution of the money to the state, agency, or institution and
- 21 the state legislation, if applicable, that appropriated the money
- 22 to the agency or institution;
- (C) the amount of money spent by the agency or
- 24 institution;
- (D) the allowable uses for which the agency or
- 26 institution may spend money received by the agency or institution
- 27 and the purposes for which the agency or institution has spent the

- 1 money;
- 2 (E) the amount of money received by the agency or
- 3 institution:
- 4 (i) that the agency or institution has not
- 5 spent; and
- 6 (ii) that the agency or institution may
- 7 spend without further appropriation; and
- 8 (F) the time during which money received by the
- 9 agency or institution was spent by the agency or institution,
- 10 including the remaining time in which the agency or institution may
- 11 spend the money without further appropriation.
- 12 (b) This section does not apply to a hospital licensed under
- 13 Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, or a hospital owned and
- 14 operated by this state.
- 15 (c) It is the intent of the legislature that information
- 16 required to be provided in a report on the Legislative Budget
- 17 Board's Internet website under Subsection (a) of this section must
- 18 be updated not less than once during each fiscal quarter and once on
- 19 the first day of each fiscal quarter that occurs on or after
- 20 December 1, 2021, until at least December 1, 2028.
- 21 SECTION 50. LEGISLATIVE INTENT REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS.
- 22 (a) It is the intent of the legislature that the appropriations
- 23 made by this Act:
- 24 (1) are one-time appropriations made for the purpose
- 25 of addressing the needs of this state for the two-year period
- 26 beginning on the effective date of this Act; and
- 27 (2) be used:

- 1 (A) only for purposes authorized by state and 2 federal law, including guidance issued by the United States 3 Department of the Treasury in 86 Fed. Reg. 26786 (May 17, 2021); and
- 4 (B) before all other methods of finance, if more
- 5 than one method of finance is available for the applicable purpose.
- 6 (b) Except as specifically provided otherwise by this Act,
- 7 it is the intent of the legislature that, if the United States
- 8 Department of the Treasury or any other qualified state or federal
- 9 authority determines that an appropriation made by this Act has
- 10 been made for an improper use, the appropriated money not be spent
- 11 and shall be retained in the treasury and available for later
- 12 legislative appropriation.
- 13 SECTION 51. APPROPRIATION AUTHORITY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. The
- 14 appropriations made under Sections 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13,
- 15 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,
- 16 31, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, and 47 of this
- 17 Act using money received by this state from the Coronavirus State
- 18 Fiscal Recovery Fund (42 U.S.C. Section 802) established under the
- 19 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. No. 117-2) are made in
- 20 accordance with 42 U.S.C. Section 802(c)(1)(C), which allows money
- 21 from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund to be used to
- 22 provide government services to the extent of a reduction in the
- 23 revenue of a state government caused by the COVID-19 public health
- 24 emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full
- 25 fiscal year of the state government that ended before that
- 26 emergency.
- 27 SECTION 52. APPLICABILITY OF TRANSFER PROVISIONS OF OTHER

- 1 LAW. The transfer provisions of Part 14, Article IX, Chapter 1053
- 2 (S.B. 1), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021 (the
- 3 General Appropriations Act), and the transfer provisions of Section
- 4 65, Chapter 995 (H.B. 2), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular
- 5 Session, 2021 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act), apply to the
- 6 appropriations made by this Act to allow appropriate transfer of
- 7 appropriations made by this Act as if the appropriations made by the
- 8 General Appropriations Act, the Supplemental Appropriations Act,
- 9 and this Act were all a part of the same Act, to the extent permitted
- 10 by federal law.
- 11 SECTION 53. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
- 12 immediately.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 8 passed the Senate on October 8, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; October 15, 2021, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; October 15, 2021, House granted request of the Senate; October 18, 2021, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed subject to the provisions of Article III, Section 49a, of the Constitution of Texas.

Secretary of the Senate

S.B. No. 8

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 8 passed the House, with amendments, on October 15, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays O, one present not voting; October 15, 2021, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; October 18, 2021, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 125, Nays O, one present not voting; passed subject to the provisions of Article III, Section 49a, of the Constitution of Texas.

	Chief Clerk of the House
Approved:	
Date	
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	Comptroller of Public Accounts