**Legislative Budget Board (LBB)**

**General Appropriations Act Development Process**

The * indicates the document is placed on the LBB internet. LAR = Legislative Appropriation Requests. LBE = Legislative Budget Estimates. HR = House Rule. SR = Senate Rule.

Bill sent to House Appropriations Committee (HAC) and Senate Finance Committee (SFC)

- Introduced Bill* and LBE* produced
- House Bill sent to House Appropriations Committee (HAC)
- House Summary of Recommendation* packets prepared by LBB staff

Consensus?

- HOUSE YES
- SENATE NO

HAC and SFC meet and break into subcommittees and workgroups

LARS received from agencies

Recommendations adopted reflecting House and/or Senate version

- State law requires that the LBE and general appropriations bill be delivered not later than 5 and 7 days, respectively, after the legislative session convenes. (§ 322.008 of the Texas Government Code)

Senate Bill sent to Senate Finance Committee (SFC)

- Senate Summary of Recommendation* packets prepared by LBB staff

While the State of Texas does not make appropriations at the program level, the State Budget by Program (SBP) provides detailed program information for each state agency and institution of higher education included in the introduced versions of the general appropriation bill and will be updated after each legislative session to reflect the Conference Committee version, with adjustments to incorporate other enacted legislation and any vetoes the Governor makes that impact appropriations.

- LBB staff develops HAC Decision Documents*
- HAC adopts changes to House Bill
- House Committee Substitute for HB/SB 1* produced - 168 Hour Layout HR 8 § 14
- Presented on House Floor for passage

House Committee Substitute amended on the floor. Floor amendments are to be posted 72 hours in advance. HR 11 § 7(h) and HR 6 § 16(f)

- Produce Special Printing of House Committee Substitute for HB/SB 1*
- House Committee Report Passed – No Conference Committee necessary

- LBB staff develops SFC Decision Documents*
- SFC adopts changes to Senate Bill
- Senate Committee Substitute for HB/SB 1* produced - 24 Hour Layout SR 7.12(a)
- Presented on Senate Floor for passage

Senate Committee Substitute amended on floor

- ADOPTED?

LBB staff develop Conference Issue Dockets*

- Conference Committee Formed
- Conferees adopt final bill

- Resolution for HB/SB 1* produced - 48 Hour Layout

- Conference Committee Report for HB/SB 1* produced - 24 Hour Layout

Comptroller certifies the GAA is within available revenue (Tx Constitution Art. 3, § 49[a])

Governor may issue veto proclamation (Tx Constitution Art. 4 § 14)

Passage out of Committee, presented and passed on House and Senate Floors becomes the General Appropriations Act (GAA)*

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