

May 28, 2013

The Honorable Rick Perry, Governor
The Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor
The Honorable Joseph R. Straus, III, Speaker of the House
Members of the 83rd Legislature

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with my responsibilities under Article III, Section 49a of the Texas Constitution, I am informing you that the Texas economy has not shown any significant variation in either direction since January. Therefore, the underlying revenue situation facing the 83rd Legislature, First Called Session, is virtually unchanged since the release of the *Biennial Revenue Estimate* on Jan. 7, 2013.

The amount of funds currently available for general-purpose spending during the 2014-15 biennium is estimated to be \$95.1 billion, reflecting the fiscal implications of HB 10, as passed by the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, certified and signed into law.

Affecting the amount available would be fiscal implications of the budget bills just passed by the 83rd Legislature, notably SB 1, HB 1025, and HB 7, as well as those of other bills affecting spending and revenue, such as HB 500, HB 800, and SB 559. Preliminarily — subject to certification by the Comptroller of bills making appropriations; and the eventual approval, veto, or line item veto of legislation by the Governor — it appears that substantially all funds estimated to be available for general-purpose spending in the 2014-15 biennium have been utilized.

Sincerely,



Susan Combs

cc: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board



July 1, 2013

The Honorable Rick Perry, Governor
The Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor
The Honorable Joseph R. Straus, III, Speaker of the House
Members of the 83rd Legislature

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with my responsibilities under Article III, Section 49a of the Texas Constitution, I am informing you that the underlying economic and revenue situation facing the 83rd Legislature, Second Called Session has remained virtually unchanged over the past 30 days.

Following actions by the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, including appropriation for supplemental items, as well as appropriations made for the 2014-15 biennium; and the approval, veto, or line item veto of those items by the Governor; \$683.1 million, of an estimated \$100.7 billion available for general-purpose spending, remains unappropriated. No additional items of appropriation were made by the 83rd Legislature, First Called Session.

Sincerely,


Susan Combs

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