

Amend **CSHB 100** (senate committee printing) by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Chapter 55, Education Code, is amended by adding Subchapter D to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER D. DEDICATED FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

Sec. 55.51. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE; DEMONSTRATED NEED. (a)
The legislature finds that:

(1) higher education facilities and related infrastructure that are state-of-the-art in terms of space utilization, capacity, technology, efficiency, safety, accessibility, functionality, and condition are critical to accommodating enrollment growth, improving learning environments, fostering excellence and student achievement, increasing the state's academic competitiveness, and meeting the state's workforce needs;

(2) many existing facilities and related infrastructure at institutions of higher education are insufficient, inadequate, or substandard in terms of space utilization, capacity, technology, efficiency, safety, accessibility, functionality, and condition; and

(3) the legislature's long-standing practice of authorizing university systems and institutions of higher education under Subchapter B to issue revenue bonds to finance capital improvement projects results in an ever-increasing reliance on long-term debt and a growing debt service obligation, while the sounder practice of financing those projects from available general revenue appropriations is feasible.

(b) The purpose of this subchapter is to finance the construction and renovation of specific facilities and related infrastructure at institutions of higher education for which there is a critical, demonstrated need in a manner that does not increase the long-term debt or debt service obligations of this state's institutions of higher education.

Sec. 55.52. ALLOCATIONS TO INSTITUTIONS FOR SPECIFIC CAPITAL PROJECTS. (a) The comptroller shall distribute, in the manner described by Section 55.53, the total amount appropriated to the higher education capital projects fund established under

Section 55.54 to the state's university systems and institutions of higher education, in the amounts specified by this section to be used only to acquire, purchase, construct, improve, renovate, enlarge, or equip property and facilities, including roads and related infrastructure, for the capital projects described by this section.

(b) Funding shall be distributed as provided by Subsection (a) as follows:

(1) for The Texas A&M University System:

(A) Texas A&M University--Commerce, \$48 million for construction of a nursing and health sciences building;

(B) Texas A&M University--Corpus Christi, \$60 million for construction of a life sciences research and engineering building;

(C) Texas A&M University--Kingsville, \$60 million for an educational complex;

(D) Texas A&M University--Texarkana, \$32 million for construction of an academic and student services building;

(E) West Texas A&M University:

(i) \$38,160,000 for construction of an agricultural sciences complex; and

(ii) \$7,200,000 for renovation of the Amarillo Center;

(F) The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center:

(i) \$72 million for construction of a dental clinic facility at the Baylor College of Dentistry; and

(ii) \$66 million for construction of a multidisciplinary research and education facility in Bryan, Texas;

(G) Texas A&M International University, \$48,449,063 for library renovation through the addition of instructional and support spaces;

(H) Prairie View A&M University, \$19,941,000 for construction of a fabrication center and capital improvements;

(I) Tarleton State University:

(i) \$54 million for construction of an applied sciences building; and

(ii) \$39,600,000 for construction of a southwest metroplex building in Tarrant County;

(J) Texas A&M University, \$71,875,000 for construction of a biocontainment research facility;

(K) Texas A&M University at Galveston, \$60 million for construction of a classroom and laboratory facility and campus infrastructure;

(L) Texas A&M University--Central Texas, \$36 million for construction of a multipurpose building; and

(M) Texas A&M University--San Antonio, \$57,750,000 for construction of a science and technology building and campus infrastructure;

(2) for The University of Texas System:

(A) The University of Texas at Austin, \$73,750,000 for renovation of Robert A. Welch Hall;

(B) The University of Texas--Rio Grande Valley:

(i) \$36,432,000 for construction of a multipurpose academic building at the campus in Brownsville, Texas; and

(ii) \$30,600,000 for construction of an interdisciplinary engineering academic studies building at the campus in Edinburg, Texas;

(C) The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, \$73,750,000 for the construction and renovation of a vivarium and academic and laboratory facilities;

(D) The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, \$73,750,000 for facility renewal and renovation;

(E) The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, \$61,250,000 for construction of the Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan building;

(F) The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, \$59,325,000 for construction of a health education center;

(G) The University of Texas at Arlington, \$70 million for construction of a science and education innovation and research building;

(H) The University of Texas at Dallas, \$70

million for construction of an engineering building;

(I) The University of Texas at El Paso, \$70 million for construction of an interdisciplinary research facility;

(J) The University of Texas at San Antonio, \$70 million for construction of an instructional science and engineering building;

(K) The University of Texas at Tyler, \$60 million for construction of a STEM building;

(L) The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, \$73,750,000 for the renovation and modernization of educational and research facilities;

(M) The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler, \$14,800,000 for the renovation and modernization of educational and research facilities; and

(N) The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, \$48 million for construction of engineering and kinesiology buildings;

(3) for the University of Houston System:

(A) the University of Houston:

(i) \$76,500,000 for construction of a health and biomedical sciences center; and

(ii) \$54 million for construction of a new academic building located in Sugar Land, Texas;

(B) the University of Houston--Clear Lake:

(i) \$24,624,000 for construction of a health sciences and classroom building located in Pearland, Texas; and

(ii) \$65,025,000 for construction of a STEM and classroom building;

(C) the University of Houston--Downtown, \$60 million for construction of a science and technology building;

(D) the University of Houston--Victoria, \$60 million for academic expansion and land acquisition; and

(E) the University of Houston System, \$37,118,500 for land acquisition for construction of a building in the area near Katy, Texas;

(4) for the Texas State University System:

(A) Lamar University, \$60 million for construction of a science building;

(B) Lamar State College--Orange, \$10 million for construction of a multipurpose education building;

(C) Lamar State College--Port Arthur, \$8,080,000 for expansion of technology program facilities;

(D) Lamar Institute of Technology, \$12,500,000 for construction and renovation of technical arts buildings;

(E) Texas State University:

(i) \$63 million for construction of an engineering and sciences building; and

(ii) \$48,600,000 for construction of a health professions building in Round Rock, Texas;

(F) Sam Houston State University, \$48 million for construction of a biology laboratory building; and

(G) Sul Ross State University, \$6,240,000 for renovation and modernization of educational and related facilities and infrastructure;

(5) for the University of North Texas System:

(A) the University of North Texas System, \$49 million for renovation of college of law buildings;

(B) the University of North Texas, \$70 million for construction and renovation of college of visual arts and design facilities;

(C) the University of North Texas at Dallas, \$57,750,000 for construction of a student learning and success center; and

(D) the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth, \$73,750,000 for construction of an interdisciplinary research building;

(6) for Texas Woman's University, \$37,997,000 for a laboratory building;

(7) for Midwestern State University, \$58,400,000 for an academic expansion and revitalization project;

(8) for Stephen F. Austin State University, \$46,400,000 for a science, technology, engineering, and

mathematics research building;

(9) for the Texas Tech University System:

(A) Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center:

(i) \$60,264,000 for construction of Lubbock education, research, and technology facilities;

(ii) \$12,830,400 for construction of the Permian Basin academic facility; and

(iii) \$5,715,000 for construction of the Amarillo Panhandle Clinical/Hospital Simulation;

(B) Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso, \$71,860,000 for construction of the El Paso Medical Science Building II;

(C) Texas Tech University, \$70 million for construction of an experimental sciences high tech interdisciplinary research building; and

(D) Angelo State University, \$21,360,000 for construction of a College of Health and Human Services building;

(10) for Texas Southern University, \$60 million for the Robert J. Terry Library at Texas Southern University; and

(11) for the Texas State Technical College System:

(A) Texas State Technical College--West Texas, \$12 million for construction of an industrial technology center;

(B) Texas State Technical College--Harlingen, \$3,750,000 for Phase II of the Engineering Technology Center renovation;

(C) Texas State Technical College--Waco, \$14,950,000 for construction of the Fort Bend Campus Building #2; and

(D) Texas State Technical College--Marshall, \$11,040,000 for purchase and renovation of the North Texas Technology Center.

Sec. 55.53. PAYMENT OF PROJECT COSTS. (a) On presentation by a university system or institution of higher education of proof of necessary costs incurred by the system or institution for a project authorized for the system or institution by Section 55.52, the comptroller shall pay or reimburse the system or institution

for those costs out of the total amount allocated for the project under that section.

(b) The comptroller by rule shall prescribe the manner in which a system or institution provides proof of project costs under this section.

Sec. 55.54. HIGHER EDUCATION CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND. (a) The higher education capital projects fund is established as a trust fund held by the comptroller of public accounts outside the treasury.

(b) The fund is composed of legislative appropriations made to the fund for the purposes of this subchapter. Money in the fund may be distributed only as provided by Section 55.53.

(c) The fund is exempt from the application of Section 403.095, Government Code.

SECTION 2. In addition to other appropriations made by the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, the amount of \$3 billion is appropriated on September 1, 2015, from the general revenue fund to the higher education capital projects fund established under Section 55.54, Education Code, as added by this Act, for the purpose of implementing Subchapter D, Chapter 55, Education Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.