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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 12/6/21

SPONSOR Martinez LAST UPDATED 12/7/21 HB 1/aHF1

SHORT TITLE Relating to General Appropriations/Feed Bill SB _____

ANALYST Sallee

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY22	FY23		
\$914.1		Nonrecurring	Legislative Cash Balances
\$700.0		Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

House Floor Amendment

House Floor Amendment #1 struck section three of the bill, appropriations totaling \$1.5 million to the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Department of Finance and Administration and inserted an emergency clause. As a result, the bill is no longer a general appropriation act. The bill would be effective upon signing by the governor with each chamber passing the bill with 2/3rds of each chamber voting for the bill.

Synopsis of Original Bill

House Bill 1 appropriates \$914.1 thousand from legislative cash balances for expenses of the second special session of the fifty-fifth legislature in FY22. The bill appropriates \$700 thousand, evenly split between the House of Representatives and Senate for leadership staff and ongoing operational expenses as determined by leadership in each chamber. Finally, the bill appropriates, contingent on transfer of federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) state relief funds to the appropriation contingency fund (ACF), which is in the general fund, \$500 thousand for pretrial services at the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) and \$1 million to the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for costs related to administering, accounting and reporting pursuant to ARPA. As a result, House Bill 1 is a general appropriations act and takes effect immediately upon signature by the governor.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill appropriates \$322.3 thousand to the House of Representatives, \$305.4 thousand to the Senate, and \$286.4 thousand to the Legislative Council Service for nonrecurring special session expenses from legislative cash balances. The bill also appropriates \$350 thousand to each chamber for ongoing staffing and other costs for leadership staff. These appropriations would be available for spending starting in the current fiscal year through FY23 and would be recurring expense.

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