BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Section 403.094, Government Code, as enacted by the 72nd Legislature, contains provisions for the abolishment of dedications in existence prior to August 31, 1995, unless otherwise expressly exempted. H.B. 3084 provides regulations and exemptions for certain funds, accounts, dedicated revenue, and unappropriated money in the state treasury.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3084 provides regulations and exemptions for certain funds, accounts, dedicated revenue, and unappropriated money in the state treasury.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. DEFINITION. Defines "state agency."

SECTION 2. ABOLITION OF FUNDS, ACCOUNTS, AND DEDICATIONS. Sets forth funds and accounts which are abolished by a certain date.

SECTION 3. PREVIOUSLY EXEMPT DEDICATIONS, FUNDS, AND ACCOUNTS. Provides that Section 2 of this Act does not apply to certain statutory matters.

SECTION 4. ACCOUNTS IN GENERAL REVENUE FUND. Sets forth an exemption from Section 2 of this Act for a certain account, effective August 30,1999.

SECTION 5. OTHER FUNDS IN TREASURY. Sets forth exemptions from Section 2 of this Act for certain funds, effective August 30, 1999.

SECTION 6. FEDERAL FUNDS. Provides that Section 2 of this Act does not apply to certain funds for which separate accounting is required by federal law, except that the funds are required to be deposited in accounts in the general revenue fund.

SECTION 7. TRUST FUNDS. Provides that certain trust funds or dedicated revenue are not subject to the application of Section 2 of this Act.

SECTION 8. BOND FUNDS. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 9. CONSTITUTIONAL FUNDS. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 10. COURT COSTS. Exempts revenue from court costs from Section 2 of this Act, under certain conditions.

SECTION 11. LICENSE PLATE FEES. Exempts certain revenue from the application of Section 403.095, Government Code, and makes conforming changes.

SECTION 12. AMENDMENT. Amends Section 403.095, Government Code, to set forth provisions for dedicated revenues that on August 31, 2001, are estimated to exceed a certain appropriated amount

and are considered available for the purpose of certification under Section 403.121, Government Code. Provides that this section expires on September 1, 2001, rather than 1999. Makes conforming and nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 13. REPEALER: Section 403.096, Government Code (Funds Review Advisory Committee).

SECTION 14. EFFECT OF ACT. Provides that this Act prevails over other Acts, regardless of certain circumstances. Sets forth provisions for the deposit of certain revenues to the credit of the unobligated portion of the general revenue fund.

SECTION 15. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.