TO: Lt. Governor David Dewhurst  Speaker Joe Straus
     Governor Rick Perry  Comptroller Susan Combs
FROM: Ursula Parks, Director
DATE: December 2, 2014
SUBJECT: Motion Adopted by the LBB on December 1, 2014

At a meeting of the Legislative Budget Board on December 1, 2014, the Board approved the items of information required to set the Article VIII constitutional limit on the growth of appropriations from state tax revenue not dedicated by the Texas Constitution. A copy of the motion, which contains the items of information, is attached and hereby submitted for your consideration.

A technical memorandum describing the methodology and sources used in calculating the items of information was published in the Texas Register, as required by Section 316.003, Government Code, on November 28, 2014. Prior to approving the items of information, the Board held a public hearing on the information as required by Section 316.004.

Section 316.005 directs the Board to submit the approved items of information to a committee composed of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and Comptroller of Public Accounts. The committee has 10 days to finally adopt the items, either as submitted by the Board or as amended by the committee. If the committee fails to act within 10 days, the items are treated as if the committee had adopted them as submitted.

If you have questions regarding the items or the process, I will be pleased to respond.

Attachment
AGENDA ITEM 3

MOTION BY SPEAKER STRAUS
SECONDED BY SENATOR NELSON
that the Legislative Budget Board establish:

(1) the estimated rate of growth of the Texas economy from the 2014-15 biennium to the 2016-17 biennium is 11.68%;

(2) the level of appropriations for the 2014-15 biennium from state tax revenue not dedicated by the Constitution is $84,408,716,116 subject to adjustments resulting from revenue forecast revisions or subsequent appropriations certified by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; and therefore,

(3) the amount of appropriations that can be made for the 2016-17 biennium from state tax revenue not dedicated by the Constitution without special concurrent resolution is $94,267,654,158 subject to adjustments to 2014-15 biennial appropriations referenced in (2) above.

The motion was adopted as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Ayes: 5</th>
<th>Noes: 0</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Senate</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>House</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>