

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### RS30780 / H0380

This bill contains six actions related to fiscal year 2024. First, this bill transfers funds into the Public Defense Fund, as a trailer appropriation to H236, H292, and H376 of 2023. Second, this bill appropriates the funds in the Public Defense Fund to the State Tax Commission for public defenses at the county level of government. Third, this bill directs the distribution of the funds in the Public Defense Fund to be distributed in accordance with each counties portion of expenditures for indigent defense services in 2021, excluding any state funding or grants. Fourth, this bill provides a cash transfer to the School District Facilities Fund for Fiscal year 2024 providing an additional \$20 million for property tax relief. Fifth, this bill provides for continuous appropriation of the School District Facilities Fund. Finally, this bill provides a cash transfer to the Sales Tax Distribution Reserve Account, to be distributed to special purpose taxing districts for fiscal year 2024.

### FISCAL NOTE

Section 1 provides a cash transfer of \$36,000,000 from the General Fund to the Public Defense Fund.

Section 2 provides an appropriation to the State Tax Commission of \$36,000,000 from the Public Defense Fund for fiscal year 2024, to be used for public defense at the county level of government.

Section 4 provides a cash transfer of \$20,000,000 from the General Fund to the School District Facilities Fund for fiscal year 2024.

Section 6 provides a cash transfer of \$2,000,000 from the General Fund to the Sales Tax Distribution Reserve Account Fund, to be distributed to special purpose taxing districts.

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