

Chapter 371

H.B. No. 3537

1 AN ACT

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3 law that is credited to the deferred maintenance fund account.

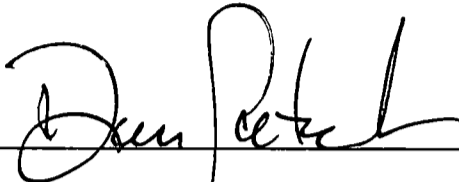
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

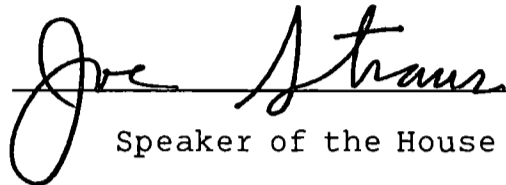
5 SECTION 1. Section 2165.403, Government Code, is amended by  
6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) The use of money credited to the fund by appropriation  
8 or transfer from the game, fish, and water safety account, the  
9 lifetime license endowment account, or another fund or account in  
10 the state treasury the use of which is subject to restrictions under  
11 the federal Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. Section 777 et  
12 seq.), the federal Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. Section 669  
13 et seq.), or other federal law, and the use of money earned as  
14 interest or other earnings on the investment of that money credited  
15 to the fund, continues to be subject to those federal restrictions  
16 and may be used only for a function required to manage this state's  
17 fish or wildlife resources in accordance with those federal  
18 restrictions.


19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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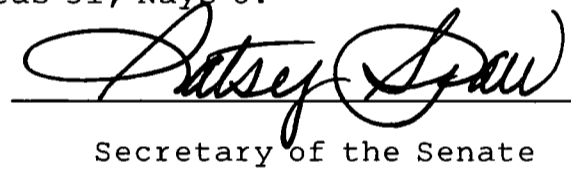
  
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President of the Senate

  
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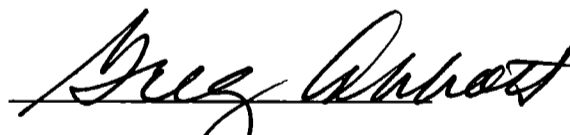
I certify that H.B. No. 3537 was passed by the House on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting.

  
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Chief Clerk of the House


I certify that H.B. No. 3537 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

  
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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 5-31-2017  
Date

  
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Governor

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 12, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Jane Nelson, Chair, Senate Committee on Finance

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3537** by Geren (Relating to the use of money subject to restrictions under federal law that is credited to the deferred maintenance fund account.), **As Engrossed**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Government Code to specify that funds deposited to GR Account 5166 - Deferred Maintenance for an account which is subject to restrictions under the federal Sport Fish Restoration Act or other federal law, continues to be subject to those federal restrictions.

The bill would add new Subsection (d) to require that money credited to GR Account 5166 - Deferred Maintenance from GR Account 0009 - Game, Fish and Water Safety, GR Account 0544 - Lifetime License Endowment, or another fund or account in the state treasury the use of which is subject to restrictions under the federal Sport Fish Restoration Act or other federal law, and the interest and other earnings on that money, continues to be subject to those federal restrictions.

Currently, interest earned on the balance of GR Account 5166 is credited to General Revenue Fund 0001. Based on the provisions of this bill an amount that would be transferred to GR Account 5166 from GR Account 0009 or any other fund or account would be credited to those funds or accounts. The bill would have some negative impact on Fund 0001 and an equivalent positive impact on GR Account 0009 and the other funds and accounts affected by the bill. However, the amounts that would be transferred to GR Account 5166 are unknown at this time; therefore, the fiscal implications cannot be determined at this time.

The Facilities Commission, Comptroller of Public Accounts, and Parks and Wildlife Department anticipates an additional work resulting from the passage of the bill could be reasonable absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds majority vote of each house, otherwise the bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 303 Facilities Commission, 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 802 Parks and Wildlife Department

**LBB Staff:** UP, KK, JSm

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 17, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable John Zerwas, Chair, House Committee on Appropriations

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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