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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 21 (house committee printing) as follows:

2 (1) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to
3 the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION _____. Section 7.062(c), Education Code, is amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (c) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, if the
7 commissioner certifies that the amount appropriated for a state
8 fiscal year for purposes of Subchapters A and B, Chapter 46, exceeds
9 the amount to which school districts are entitled under those
10 subchapters for that year, the commissioner shall use the excess
11 funds, in an amount not to exceed \$20 million in any state fiscal
12 year, for the purpose of making grants under this section. The use
13 of excess funds under this subsection has priority over any
14 provision of Chapter 42 that permits or directs the use of excess
15 foundation school program funds, including Sections ~~[42.2517,]~~
16 42.2521, 42.2522, and 42.2531. The commissioner is required to use
17 excess funds as provided by this subsection only if the
18 commissioner is not required to reduce the total amount of state
19 funds allocated to school districts under Section 42.253(h).

20 SECTION _____. Section 42.102, Education Code, is amended by
21 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
22 follows:

23 (a) The basic allotment for each school district is adjusted
24 to reflect the ~~[geographic variation in known resource costs and]~~
25 costs of education for ~~[due to factors beyond the control of]~~ the
26 school district using the updated cost of education index provided
27 under Subsection (c).

28 (c) Based on a statistical analysis conducted by the
29 Legislative Budget Board to determine for each school district the

1 current geographic variation in known resource costs and costs of
2 education due to factors beyond the control of the district, the
3 commissioner shall update the cost of education index used for
4 purposes of this section during the 2016-2017 school year. The
5 updated index shall be used for purposes of this section beginning
6 with the 2017-2018 school year. Subsequently, the commissioner
7 periodically may request more current statistical analysis from the
8 Legislative Budget Board and further update as needed the cost of
9 education index used for purposes of this section.

10 (2) On page 20, between lines 19 and 20, add the following
11 appropriately numbered subdivision and renumber the subsequent
12 subdivisions accordingly:

13 (____) Section 42.102(b);

14 (3) On page 20, line 22, strike "and".

15 (4) On page 20, line 23, strike the period and substitute "
16 and".

17 (5) On page 20, between lines 23 and 24, add the following
18 appropriately numbered subdivision:

19 (____) Section 42.2517.