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CREIGHTON PASSES STATE AGENCY SAVINGS OUT OF SENATE

Senate Bill 132: State Agency Savings

Austin – Senator Brandon Creighton (R-Conroe) made the following statement after the successful passage of Senate Bill 132 out of the Senate yesterday:

"I was pleased to carry legislation to amend the State Agency Incentive Program to better encourage state agencies to find savings," said Senator Creighton.

The State Agency Incentive Program was designed to encourage state agencies to identify and implement savings by allowing agencies to retain a portion of unspent appropriated funds rather than needlessly spend the funds to maintain appropriation levels.

"Unfortunately the current incentive structure was never used and we feel this new plan is better policy," concluded Senator Creighton. "I appreciated the opportunity to make a few changes that will truly incentivize the responsible use of taxpayer dollars."

Prior to unanimous support on the Senate floor with a vote of 30-0, the bill was previously heard in the Senate Finance Committee and was voted out of committee with a vote of 14-0.

Next, the bill will advance to the House of Representatives.

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Senator Brandon Creighton represents Senate District 4, which encompasses Chambers, Jefferson and parts of Montgomery, Harris and Galveston Counties.