June 30, 2009

The Honorable Rick Perry, Governor The Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor The Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House Members of the 81st Legislature

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with my responsibilities under Article III, Section 49a of the Texas Constitution, I present a revised revenue estimate for the First Called Session of the 81st Legislature.

In the *Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE)*, dated January 12, 2009, I informed you that for the upcoming 2010-11 biennium the state would have a total of \$77.1 billion available for general-purpose spending. The passage of Senate Bill 1 (General Appropriations Act), House Bill 4586 (Supplemental Appropriations), and other legislation enacted by the 81st Legislature, Regular Session increased funds available for general-purpose spending in the 2010-11 biennium and, therefore, I am raising that estimate to \$78.1 billion.

After accounting for all general-revenue related appropriations made by the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, and the effect of gubernatorial vetoes, \$359.1 million remains unappropriated and available for general-purpose spending in the 2010-11 biennium.

I will continue to monitor economic conditions and revenue collections and will inform you of any significant developments.

Sincerely,

Susan Combs

