FOGEL CC1 HOUSE COVID FUNDS 10/12

A plan to distribute billions of dollars in federal coronavirus relief funding is advancing in the state legislature. The Texas House Appropriations committee voted this morning [Tuesday] to advance the legislation to the full chamber. State Representative Greg Bonnen chairs the panel. The Republican from Friendswood discussed what's in the bill.

BONNEN1:17 "Significantly in this committee substitute you'll see the 7.2 billion dollars for the current unemployment insurance trust fund liability. 500.5 million dollars from the coronavirus capital projects fund to the Comptroller of Public Accounts for broadband infrastructure."

The Texas Senate has already approved the bill.

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A plan to distribute billions of dollars in federal coronavirus relief funding is making its way through the Texas Legislature, [with a week left in the current special session].

Members of the House Appropriations committee voted this morning [Tuesday] to advance the bill to the full Texas House.

State Representative Greg Bonnen chairs the panel.

The Houston area Republican said the measure includes more than 7 billion dollars for the state's unemployment compensation fund. Another 500 million dollars will go toward expanding broadband internet access.

BONNEN2 "And 75 million of that is going to be used for the Texas broadband poll replacement program." (00:05)

The Texas Senate has already approved its version of the bill.