

## BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF DIXIE

## A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the merger of eight former states into the State of Dixie presents a unique financial challenge for the policymakers of the state;

Whereas, no budget for fiscal year 2021 or the following annum has been passed or proposed by the Assembly or the Executive;

Whereas, the Southern Healthcare Act and other major legislation passed by the Assembly in recent months require financing;

Whereas, the tax systems of the various states merged into the State of Dixie ought to be streamlined;

Whereas, Article VI, section 9 of the Constitution of the Great State of Dixie requires the Governor to submit a budget to the Assembly for consideration and passage at the beginning of each calendar year, however, the State began the calendar year with no budget, and;

Whereas, the people of the State of Dixie deserve a budget that works for them and avoids confusion and the burdens of excessive taxation;

**NOW, THEREFORE:** I, Tripplyons18, Governor of the State of Dixie, do hereby order as follows —

## SEC 1. BUDGET COMMISION.

(1) There is hereby established a Governor's Commission on the Budget of the Great State of Dixie, which shall advise and prepare a budget proposal for the Governor consistent with the budgetary and legal requirements of the Constitution that ensures the general welfare of the people of Dixie through the enforcement of its statues. The Commission shall be composed of knowledgeable individuals with an interest in the public finance and welfare of the State of Dixie. The Commission shall have the following principal duties, which may be extended, removed, or otherwise modified by the Governor —

- (a) Study and make recommendations for the identification and raising of revenue sources for the State of Dixie, including, but not limited to from the following sources:
  - (i) Sales and excise taxes (which composed the vast majority of the budget of the State of Texas, of which its legal code composes the majority of the legal code of Dixie);
  - (ii) Personal income taxes;
  - (iii) Corporate income taxes;
  - (iv) Property value taxes;
  - (v) Wealth taxes, capital gains and dividends taxes;
  - (vi) Land value taxes;
  - (vii) Carbon emissions taxes, and;
  - (viii) Any other measure of revenue or tax applicable to be levied in the State of Dixie as determined by the Governor and the Commission.
- (b) Estimate and collect previous government spending among the eight former states that now compose the State of Dixie, and determine appropriate spending levels after said estimation and collection.
- (c) In particular, ensure efficient administration and funding for programs such as the Southern Healthcare Service and other programs enacted by the Assembly.
- (d) Manage and continue to operate the special wealth funds previously operated by former states that funded particular budget areas through revenue generated by fees on public land (e.g., the Texas Permanent School Fund, funded via oil, gas, and mineral extraction fees from public lands managed by the General Land Office) and explore the development of a larger sovereign wealth fund not restricted to funding in specific policy areas or

- generating revenue based on investments in particular revenue-generating areas.
- (e) Prepare a formal gubernatorial budget request in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, accompanied by a summary of estimates as deemed necessary.
- (2) The commission shall be composed of the following individuals, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor
  - (a) Tripplyons18, Governor, chair ex-officio;
  - (b) Alpal2214, Senator for Dixie, co-chair;
  - (c) Brihimia, Representative for Dixie's 4th district, co-chair;
  - (d) CryDefiance, Representative for Dixie's 1st district;
  - (e) Socialistpossum, Speaker;
  - (f) Any other member appointed by the Governor.

## SEC 2. ENACTMENT.

- (1) This Executive Order takes effect immediately upon publication in <u>the Dixie Register.</u>
- (2) This Executive Order shall remain in effect unless it is superseded by another statute or repealed by another Executive Order.





IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Dixie to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Austin on this day, May 26, 2021.

ATTEST: JOHNGROBERTSJR, LIEUTENANT GOEVRNOR