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90.X. (SR: Tax Relief Reserve Fund) There is created the Tax Relief Reserve Fund, which shall be separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest accrued by the fund must remain in the fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on December 31, 2012, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$139,753,350 from the General Fund to the Tax Relief Reserve Fund. These funds may only be used to provide tax relief to businesses and individuals as provided by law. Funds within the Tax Relief Reserve Fund shall be retained and carried forward to be used for the same purpose.

The intent is that this proviso would be repealed within the enabling legislation for tax reform, to be passed later in the 2012 session. If tax reform didn't pass, these funds would remain locked away until they came back and did the job in 2013.

I've discussed it with Swati, but we'll still need Legislative Council to prepare the official version of an amendment (today or this weekend) in order to have it ready in time.

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