

**SENATE FLOOR ACTION**

**Wednesday  
April 19, 2023**

**The Senate suspended the necessary rules to consider and finally pass:**

**SJR 70 (CS) Hughes/ et al.**  
Proposing a constitutional amendment protecting the right of parents to raise their children.

**SB 11 (CS) Nichols/ et al.**  
Relating to measures for ensuring safety and security in public schools, including measures related to certain student records and truant conduct and active shooter training for certain peace officers.  
**3 Floor Amendments**

**SB 267 (CS) King/ et al.**  
Relating to law enforcement agency accreditation, including a grant program to assist agencies in becoming accredited.

**SB 515 (CS) Hall/ et al.**  
Relating to investigations of child abuse and neglect and the procedures for adding names to or removing names from the central registry of child abuse and neglect.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 785 (CS) Birdwell/ et al.**  
Relating to the ownership of the geothermal energy and associated resources below the surface of land.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 874 (CS) (LC) West/ et al.**  
Relating to the eligibility of certain cricket events for funding under the major events reimbursement program.

**SB 1124 (CS) King/ et al.**  
Relating to qualifications of a sheriff or a candidate for sheriff.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 1244 Huffman/ et al.**  
Relating to the allocation of certain revenue to the sexual assault program fund.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 1401 (LC) Zaffirini/ Paxton/ et al.**  
Relating to the rights of victims of sexual assault and to certain procedures and reimbursements occurring with respect to a sexual assault or other sex offense.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 1551 (LC) West**  
Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of failure to identify; creating a criminal offense.

**SB 1670 LaMantia/ et al.**  
Relating to required boating incident reports.

**SB 1698 Kolkhorst**  
Relating to peace officers commissioned by the Health and Human Services Commission's office of inspector general.

**SB 1710 (CS) (LC) Perry/ et al.**  
Relating to the universal service fund.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 1711 (CS) Perry**  
Relating to the protection of expressive activities at public institutions of higher education.

**SB 1720**

**Kolkhorst**

Relating to the confidentiality of the identity of a public school employee who reports a potential threat to the school's threat assessment and safe and supportive school team.

**SB 1809 (CS) (LC)**

**Sparks**

Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax and the applicability and rates of that tax in certain counties.

**SB 2451 (CS) (LC)**

**Menéndez/ et al.**

Relating to personal information entered on the carrier envelope of a ballot to be voted by mail.

**The Senate suspended the regular order, read second time and passed to engrossment:**

**SJR 29 (CS)**

**Paxton/ et al.**

Proposing a constitutional amendment establishing a parent's right to direct a child's education.

**SB 17 (CS)**

**Creighton/ Campbell/ King/  
Kolkhorst/ Middleton/ et al.**

Relating to the powers and duties of the governing boards of public institutions of higher education.

**4 Floor Amendments**

**SB 1938 (CS)**

**Bettencourt/ et al.**

Relating to the failure of a voter registrar to comply with voter registration laws.

**The Senate adopted the following resolutions:**

**SR 437**

**Hughes**

Recognizing Breckenridge Village on the occasion of its 25th anniversary.

**SR 441**

**Paxton**

In memory of Brian Clint Worley.

**SR 443**

**Birdwell/ Flores/ Hancock/  
Hinojosa/ Huffman/ et al.**

Recognizing April 19, 2023, as Texas State Technical College Day.

**SR 444**

**Kolkhorst**

In memory of former Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives Gus Franklin Mutscher.

**The Senate confirmed all nominees as reported by the Committee on Nominations.**

**Committee referral on the following:**

**SB 2558**

**Middleton**

Relating to the election, terms, and resignation of the board of commissioners of the Brazoria Drainage District No. 4.

**Local Government**

**SB 2609**

**Hughes**

Relating to the creation of the Fannin Farms Municipal Utility District of Fannin County; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**Local Government**

**HB 14**

**Harris, Cody/ Toth/ et al.**

Relating to third-party review of plats and property development plans, permits, and similar documents, and the inspection of an improvement related to such a document.

**Local Government**

**HB 54**

**Thompson, Senfronia/ Lalani/  
Davis/ Rose/ Morales, Christina/  
et al.**

Relating to the personal needs allowance for certain Medicaid recipients who are residents of long-term care facilities.

**Health & Human Services**

**HB 149** **Murr**  
Relating to the sale of park land owned by certain municipalities.  
**Local Government**

**HB 260** **Murr**  
Relating to the calculation of net to land in the appraisal of open-space land for ad valorem tax purposes.  
**Local Government**

**HB 266** **Swanson**  
Relating to the required filing and use of an affidavit containing the contact information of certain persons in a guardianship proceeding.  
**Jurisprudence**

**HB 349** **Bucy/ et al.**  
Relating to the exemption of certain property from municipal drainage service charges.  
**Local Government**

**HB 430** **VanDeaver**  
Relating to the criteria and qualifications for distributions under the rural volunteer fire department assistance program.  
**Local Government**

**HB 465** **Thierry/ Rose/ Swanson/ Frank/  
Hull/ et al.**  
Relating to a pilot program to provide Medicaid coverage of doula services.  
**Health & Human Services**

**HB 473** **Hull/ et al.**  
Relating to parental rights regarding a threat assessment of a student conducted by a public school's threat assessment and safe and supportive school team.  
**Education**

**HB 540** **Longoria/ Morales, Eddie/  
Canales**  
Relating to the award of library construction grants by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.  
**Business & Commerce**

**HB 587** **Patterson**  
Relating to the cremation of deceased veterans with a United States flag or Texas state flag and the incineration of those flags through the cremation process.  
**Veteran Affairs**

**HB 697** **Holland/ Longoria/ Lambert/  
Frazier/ Johnson, Ann**  
Relating to seller's disclosures for the sale of residential real property.  
**Business & Commerce**

**HB 785** **Swanson**  
Relating to the delivery of certain notices or other communications in connection with guardianship proceedings.  
**Jurisprudence**

**HB 879** **Cook/ Bell, Keith**  
Relating to the qualifications required to hold the office of constable in certain counties.  
**Local Government**

**HB 899** **Walle/ Harless/ Oliverson/  
Schofield**  
Relating to the authority of certain counties to regulate noise levels in residential areas; creating a criminal offense.  
**Local Government**

- HB 916** **Ordaz/ Slawson/ Frank/ Rose/  
Howard/ et al.**  
Relating to health benefit plan coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs.  
**Health & Human Services**
- HB 1038** **Cain/ Frazier/ Troxclair/ Canales/  
et al.**  
Relating to a biennial report on state lending and credit support programs.  
**Finance**
- HB 1248** **Guillen/ et al.**  
Relating to the eligibility of social workers for the Homes for Texas Heroes home loan program.  
**Local Government**
- HB 1287** **Guillen/ Ortega/ Flores/  
Hernandez/ Plesa/ et al.**  
Relating to adjusting for inflation the maximum amount of a motor vehicle excluded in determining eligibility for the supplemental nutrition assistance program.  
**Health & Human Services**
- HB 1323** **Talarico/ Lujan/ Raney/ Cook/  
et al.**  
Relating to the measures to encourage eligible students to claim certain tuition and fee exemptions at public institutions of higher education for students who are or have been in foster or other residential care.  
**Subcommittee on Higher Education**
- HB 1415** **Raymond**  
Relating to lighting equipment requirements for motor vehicles.  
**Transportation**
- HB 1472** **Walle/ et al.**  
Relating to eligibility requirements under the owner-builder loan program.  
**Local Government**
- HB 1515** **Clardy/ Holland/ Canales/  
Goldman/ Bell, Keith**  
Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office.  
**Natural Resources & Economic Development**
- HB 1526** **Harris, Cody/ Swanson**  
Relating to parkland dedication for multifamily, hotel, and motel property development by certain municipalities; authorizing a fee.  
**Natural Resources & Economic Development**
- HB 1553** **Ashby**  
Relating to the definition of amusement ride for purposes of amusement ride regulation.  
**Business & Commerce**
- HB 1760** **Hefner**  
Relating to the prosecution of the offense of possessing a weapon in certain prohibited places associated with schools or postsecondary educational institutions.  
**State Affairs**
- HB 1898** **Jetton/ Rose/ Price/ Allison/  
Thompson, Senfronia/ et al.**  
Relating to a grant program to fund the provision by children's hospitals of mental and behavioral health services to children in this state.  
**Health & Human Services**
- HB 1912** **Button/ Neave Criado/ Plesa/  
Bhojani**  
Relating to student buildings fees at The University of Texas at Dallas.  
**Education**

**HB 2354****Hefner**

Relating to the eligibility of land to continue to be appraised for ad valorem tax purposes as qualified open-space land following a transfer to a surviving spouse or surviving child.

**Local Government****HB 2371****Turner/ Cook**

Relating to the disposition of burial spaces and abandoned plots in certain cemeteries in the possession and control of a municipality.

**Local Government****HB 2384****Leach/ Murr/ Johnson, Julie/  
Cain/ Moody**

Relating to court administration, including the knowledge, efficiency, training, and transparency requirements for candidates for or holders of judicial offices.

**State Affairs****HB 2489****Kacal**

Relating to renaming the Texas Natural Resources Information System as the Texas Geographic Information Office and the duties of certain officers of that entity.

**Natural Resources & Economic Development****HB 2706****Shine**

Relating to the regulation of manufactured homes.

**Business & Commerce****HB 3805****Canales/ Burrows/ Moody/ Geren/  
King, Tracy O./ et al.**

Relating to the program categories in the unified transportation program.

**Transportation****HB 4065****Rose/ et al.**

Relating to required reporting by the Department of Family and Protective Services regarding youth in the managing conservatorship of the department who attempt suicide.

**Health & Human Services****HB 4422****Canales/ Burrows/ Moody/ Geren/  
King, Tracy O./ et al.**

Relating to a study on enhancing border security outcomes through public safety, technological, and transportation infrastructure improvements near Texas-Mexico border crossings.

**Border Security**

(CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
(LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR