

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Tuesday
March 24, 2015

SENATE BILLS (Calendar Order)

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS (Second Reading)

SJR 26 **Hancock**

Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to appropriations for the preservation and perpetuation of certain items of historical value; allowing the legislature and state agencies to accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of historical value and contributions to purchase such items.

SJR 22 Creighton/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the right to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife.

SJR 1 (CS) **Nelson/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/
Burton/ Campbell/ et al.**

Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for an exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes of a portion of the market value of a residence homestead based on the median market value of all residence homesteads in the state, providing for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homestead of an elderly or disabled person to reflect the increased exemption amount, providing that an appropriation of state tax revenues to protect school districts against the resulting revenue loss is an appropriation of state tax revenues dedicated by the constitution for purposes of the restriction on the rate of growth of appropriations from undedicated state tax revenues, authorizing the legislature to prohibit a political subdivision that has adopted an optional residence homestead exemption from reducing the amount of or repealing the exemption, and prohibiting the imposition or collection of a tax on the conveyance of an interest in real property.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS (Second Reading)

SCR 5 (CS) Estes/ et al.

Urging Congress to reimburse the State of Texas for bearing the financial burden of the federal government's responsibility to secure the Texas-Mexico international border.

SENATE BILLS (Second Reading)

SB 356

Relating to the creation, purpose, implementation, and funding of the County Park Beautification and Improvement Program.

SB 541 **Taylor, Van**

Relating to the eligibility of presidential general election debates for distributions from a Major Events trust fund.

SB 488 (LC) Seliger/ et al.

Relating to the criteria for awarding the Texas Purple Heart Medal to members of the armed forces wounded or killed at Fort Hood on November 5, 2009.

SB 114 Taylor, Van/ et al.

Relating to the applicability of adverse licensing, listing, or registration decisions by certain health and human services agencies.

SB 408 (LC) Rodríguez/ et al.
Relating to consideration of a bidder's principal place of business in awarding certain county contracts.

SB 569 (CS) (LC) Creighton
Relating to the presumption of abandonment of certain tangible personal property held by a county.

SB 209 (LC) Hinojosa/ Birdwell/ Campbell/ Nelson/ Schwertner
Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Workforce Investment Council, including assumption of the duties of the Texas Skill Standards Board.

SB 664 Taylor, Van
Relating to employment termination for falsification of military record in obtaining employment or employment benefits.

SB 529 (LC) Hancock
Relating to the eligibility of a landman for unemployment compensation.

SB 652 Schwertner
Relating to excluding a franchisor as an employer of a franchisee or a franchisee's employees.

SB 695 (LC) Taylor, Larry
Relating to a study of the feasibility and desirability of creating and maintaining a coastal barrier system.

SB 722 Perry/ et al.
Relating to a disqualification for unemployment benefits for refusing to take or failing a preemployment drug test.

SB 193 (LC) Creighton/ et al.
Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates to honor recipients of certain military medals.

SB 562 (LC) Nichols
Relating to annual permits to move certain equipment; authorizing a fee.

SB 60 (LC) Nelson
Relating to video recordings made by children's advocacy centers.

SB 179 (LC) Perry
Relating to the handgun proficiency required to obtain or renew a concealed handgun license.

SB 287 (LC) West
Relating to the elimination of certain court fees and costs.

SB 383 (LC) Uresti
Relating to the time of delivery to the early voting ballot board for ballots voted by mail in certain counties.

SB 450 (CS) (LC) Schwertner
Relating to the liability of a political subdivision of this state for certain claims relating to land acquired by the political subdivision under certain circumstances.

SB 462 (LC) Huffman/ et al.
Relating to authorizing a revocable deed that transfers real property at the transferor's death.

SB 463 (LC) Huffman
Relating to the restructuring of certain fund accounts of the Texas County and District Retirement System.

SB 512 (CS) (LC) Zaffirini
Relating to the promulgation of certain forms for use in probate matters.

SB 534

**Watson/ Creighton/ Ellis/
Hinojosa/ Huffman/ et al.**

Relating to the oath of a person admitted to practice law in the State of Texas.

SB 527 (CS) (LC)

Birdwell/ et al.

Relating to the designation of a segment of U.S. Highway 287 in Midlothian as the Chris Kyle and Chad Littlefield Memorial Highway.

SB 671 (CS) (LC)

Birdwell

Relating to the designation of Loop 567 in Granbury as the Deputy Sergeant Lance McLean Memorial Highway.

SB 55 (LC)

Nelson/ et al.

Relating to the creation of a grant program to support community mental health programs for veterans with mental illness.

SB 660 (LC)

Rodríguez/ et al.

Relating to regional coordinators within the veteran entrepreneur program.

SB 713

Hall/ et al.

Relating to general officers within the state military department.

SB 805

Campbell/ et al.

Relating to the employment of individuals qualified for a veteran's employment preference.

SB 806 (LC)

Campbell/ et al.

Relating to the College Credit for Heroes program.

SB 833 (LC)

Campbell/ et al.

Relating to the continuation of a residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation while the owner is temporarily absent because of military service.

SB 835

Taylor, Van/ et al.

Relating to increasing the punishment for the offense of fraudulent or fictitious military record.

SB 169 (CS)

Uresti/ et al.

Relating to ensuring that certain military members and their spouses and dependents maintain their positions on interest lists or other waiting lists for certain health and human services assistance programs.

SB 389 (CS) (LC)

Rodríguez/ et al.

Relating to the placement of military occupational specialty codes on certain notices of state agency employment openings.

SB 390

Burton

Relating to docket preference for trials in which the alleged victim is younger than 14 years of age.

SB 172 (CS)

Huffman/ et al.

Relating to the addition of certain substances to Penalty Groups 1-A and 2 of the Texas Controlled Substances Act for criminal prosecution and other purposes.

SB 173 (CS)

Huffman/ et al.

Relating to the designation for criminal prosecution and other purposes of certain chemicals commonly referred to as synthetic cannabinoids as controlled substances and controlled substance analogues under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

SB 236 (LC)

Schwertner

Relating to the punishment of certain controlled substance offenses committed in a drug-free zone.

SB 759

Kolkhorst/ et al.

Relating to the repeal of certain state taxes.

SB 761

Creighton

Relating to the taxation of fireworks.

SB 752 Bettencourt/ et al.
Relating to the repeal of the inheritance tax and the tax on combative sports events.

SB 757 Perry/ et al.
Relating to the repeal of the production taxes on crude petroleum and sulphur.

SB 140 (LC) Perry
Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for telecommunications services used for the navigation of certain farm and ranch machinery and equipment.

SB 31 (LC) Zaffirini/ et al.
Relating to the authority of certain volunteer firefighter and emergency services organizations to hold tax-free sales or auctions.

SB 8 Schwertner/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/ Burton/ Campbell/ et al.
Relating to the total revenue exemption for the franchise tax.

SB 551 (LC) Seliger
Relating to the duty of the Water Conservation Advisory Council to submit a report and recommendations regarding water conservation in this state.

SB 10 (CS) Huffman/ et al.
Relating to the investigation and prosecution of offenses against public administration, including ethics offenses, and offenses involving insurance fraud or the imposition of the motor fuels tax.

SB 314 (CS) (LC) West
Relating to appointment of a nonparent as managing conservator of a child.

SB 631 (LC) Campbell
Relating to the authority of certain contiguous municipalities to agree to extend municipal court jurisdiction.

SB 815 (LC) Rodríguez
Relating to a temporary restraining order for preservation of property and protection of the parties in a suit for the dissolution of marriage.

SB 818 Rodríguez/ et al.
Relating to the requirement that a parent appointed as a conservator of a child disclose certain information regarding family violence.

SB 822 (CS) (LC) Rodríguez
Relating to the applicability of certain definitions and certain laws governing attorneys ad litem, guardians ad litem, and amicus attorneys in family law proceedings.

SB 932 (LC) Fraser
Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to retain assistance for federal proceedings affecting certain electric utilities and consumers.

SB 775 (LC) Fraser
Relating to the repeal of the goal for natural gas use.

SB 734 (LC) Fraser
Relating to the setting of annual interest rates for utility deposits by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

SB 444 Hall/ et al.
Relating to the exercise of eminent domain by certain toll road corporations.

SB 453 (LC) Seliger
Relating to minimum scores required for public school students to receive credit by an examination administered through the College-Level Examination Program.

SB 347 (LC) Nichols
Relating to the governing board of the Trinity Valley Community College District.

- SB 947** **Zaffirini/ Rodríguez/ Watson/ et al.**
Relating to a study and report by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on the feasibility of providing off-campus employment positions through the Texas college work-study program.
- SB 461 (CS) (LC)** **Perry/ Eltife/ Hinojosa/ Rodríguez**
Relating to false or misleading packaging, labeling, or advertising of certain abusable synthetic substances; providing civil penalties; creating a criminal offense.
- SB 1024 (LC)** **Seliger**
Relating to eligibility for course credit and high school diplomas of students enrolled in educational programs provided by the Windham School District in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- SB 630 (CS) (LC)** **Rodríguez**
Relating to protective orders for certain victims of sexual assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking.
- SB 536 (CS) (LC)** **Whitmire**
Relating to the designation of certain prostitution prevention programs as commercially sexually exploited persons court programs.
- SB 345 (LC)** **Huffman**
Relating to the prosecution of the offense of breach of computer security.
- SB 308 (CS) (LC)** **Whitmire/ et al.**
Relating to the powers and duties of campus police departments at private institutions of higher education.
- SB 147 (LC)** **Rodríguez/ et al.**
Relating to the violation of certain court orders or conditions of bond in a family violence, sexual assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking case; providing penalties.
- SB 570 (CS)** **Estes**
Relating to the use of fireworks at certain Texas Department of Transportation rest areas; creating a criminal offense.
- SB 638 (CS) (LC)** **Nichols**
Relating to the transfer of certain state property from the Texas Department of Transportation to the Shepherd Independent School District; requiring the payment of certain transaction fees.
- SB 742 (CS) (LC)** **Ellis**
Relating to the issuance of Texas Medical Center specialty license plates.
- SB 7 (CS)** **Nelson/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/ Burton/ Campbell/ et al.**
Relating to the computation of and to decreasing the rates of the franchise tax.
- SB 850** **Taylor, Van/ et al.**
Relating to a public duty justification for conduct of a service member of the Texas military forces.
- SB 807 (CS) (LC)** **Campbell/ et al.**
Relating to occupational license application and examination fees for certain military service members, military veterans, and military spouses.
- SB 3 (CS)** **Birdwell/ et al.**
Relating to the powers and duties of the Texas Department of Public Safety, military and law enforcement training, and the investigation, prosecution, punishment, and prevention of certain offenses; creating an offense and increasing a criminal penalty; authorizing fees.
- SB 907 (CS) (LC)** **Perry**
Relating to the powers and duties of the board of regents of the Texas Tech University System and to workers' compensation coverage for employees of the system's components.
- SB 1 (CS)** **Nelson/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/ Burton/ Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to certain restrictions on the imposition of ad valorem taxes and to the duty of the state to reimburse certain political subdivisions for certain revenue loss.

SB 825 (CS) **Huffman**

Relating to the prosecution of the offense of prostitution.

SB 679 (LC) **Nelson**

Relating to public meetings of joint airport boards.

SB 478 (LC) **Zaffirini**

Relating to the promulgation of certain forms for use in landlord-tenant matters.

SB 59 (LC) **Nelson**

Relating to exempting the procurement of services for victims of family violence from competitive bidding requirements.

SB 34 (LC) Zaffirini

Relating to a report concerning information security for this state's information resources.

SB 653 Eltife

Relating to increasing the amount of burial benefits required to be paid by an insurance carrier under the workers' compensation system.

SB 656 **Eltife**

Relating to perpetual care cemeteries.

SB 657 (LC) Eltife

Relating to the appointment of the commissioners of certain financial regulatory agencies by the Finance Commission of Texas.

SB 680 (LC) **Nelson**

Relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages in areas annexed or owned by certain municipalities.

SB 700 (LC) Eltife

Relating to the use of electronic processes by and electronic information submitted to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission; authorizing a fee.

SB 784 (LC) Eltife

Relating to collection and use of certain information reported to and by the Texas Department of Insurance and certain approval authority and hearings held in connection with reported information.

SB 46 (CS) (LC) **Zaffirini**

Relating to the confidentiality of certain property tax appraisal photographs.

SB 641 (CS) (LC) Schwertner

Relating to debit card or stored value card surcharges; providing a civil penalty.

SB 859 (CS) (LC) Eltife

Relating to partnerships and limited liability companies.

SB 494 (CS) **Watson**

Relating to the availability of certain property and casualty insurance forms on the Internet.

SB 267 (CS) **Perry/ et al.**

Relating to the regulation by a municipality or county of the rental or leasing of housing accommodations.

SB 860 (CS) (LC) Eltife

Relating to corporations and fundamental business transactions.

SB 13 (CS) **Perry/ Estes/ Hall/ Schwertner/ Seliger**

Relating to measures to support public school student academic achievement and career preparation, including measures to improve and support dual credit courses and the development of public outreach materials.

- SB 6 (CS)

Taylor, Larry/ Campbell

Relating to public school performance ratings.
- SB 96 (CS)

Hinojosa/ et al.

Relating to a prohibition on the use and possession of e-cigarettes on school property or at school-related or school-sanctioned activities.
- SB 177 (A)

Seliger

Relating to the governance of public institutions of higher education in this state.
- SB 382

Uresti

Relating to public school educator continuing education credit for instruction on the use of an automated external defibrillator.
- SB 203 (CS) (LC)

Nelson/ et al.

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Health Services Authority as a quasi-governmental entity and the electronic exchange of health care information.
- SB 538 (CS)

Schwertner/ Campbell/ Kolkhorst/ Nelson/ Perry/ et al.

Relating to the control of infectious diseases.
- SB 292 (LC)

Nelson

Relating to a request for a waiver of the waiting period before human remains may be cremated.
- SB 519 (CS)

Schwertner

Relating to the registration of dental support organizations; imposing a fee; requiring an occupational registration; providing a civil penalty.
- SB 304 (CS)

Schwertner

Relating to the abuse and neglect of residents of certain facilities.
- SB 460 (CS) (LC)

Schwertner

Relating to the licensing and regulation of pharmacists and pharmacies.

(A) AMENDED IN COMMITTEE

(CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

(LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR