

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

**Monday
March 9, 2015**

Committee referral on the following:

SJR 39 Fraser

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to conduct charitable raffles.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SJR 40 Zaffirini

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran who died before the law authorizing a residence homestead exemption for such a veteran took effect.

Finance

SCR 20 Hall

Urging the United States Congress to provide Department of Homeland Security funds for the protection of the Texas electric grid.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SCR 22 Seliger

Designating Quitaque as the official Bison Capital of Texas.

Administration

SB 20 Nelson

Relating to state agency contracting.

Finance

SB 201 Nelson

Relating to the efficiency and consolidation of powers and duties within the health and human services system.

Health & Human Services

SB 202 Nelson/ Birdwell/ Campbell/ Hinojosa/ Schwertner

Relating to the Department of State Health Services, the provision of health services in this state, and the regulation of certain health-related occupations and activities.

Health & Human Services

SB 204 Hinojosa/ Birdwell/ Campbell/ Nelson/ Schwertner

Relating to the functions and operations of the Department of Aging and Disability Services; increasing penalties.

Health & Human Services

SB 206 Schwertner/ Birdwell/ Campbell/ Hinojosa/ Nelson

Relating to the functions of the Department of Family and Protective Services and procedures applicable to suits affecting the parent-child relationship, investigations of child abuse and neglect, and conservatorship of a child; affecting fee amounts and authorizing an administrative penalty.

Health & Human Services

SB 212 Birdwell/ Campbell/ Hinojosa/ Nelson/ Schwertner

Relating to the abolishment of the Texas Council on Purchasing from People with Disabilities and the transfer of its functions to the comptroller of public accounts.

Health & Human Services

- SB 890** **Rodríguez**
Relating to restricting the use of administrative segregation by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for certain inmates.
Criminal Justice
- SB 891** **Rodríguez**
Relating to the operations of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, including conditions of confinement of certain inmates and required training for correctional officers employed by the department.
Criminal Justice
- SB 892** **Seliger**
Relating to educator preparation programs and teacher certification examinations.
Education
- SB 893** **Seliger/ Campbell**
Relating to public school teacher performance appraisals, continuing education, professional development, career advancement, and compensation.
Education
- SB 894** **Taylor, Larry**
Relating to the state virtual school network.
Education
- SB 895** **Taylor, Larry**
Relating to state interventions and sanctions against public school campuses with unacceptable performance and the establishment of the Texas Opportunity School District.
Education
- SB 896** **Garcia**
Relating to the creation of the East Houston Management District; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or taxes.
Intergovernmental Relations
- SB 897** **Taylor, Van**
Relating to the verification of citizenship of an applicant for voter registration.
State Affairs
- SB 898** **Fraser**
Relating to charitable raffles conducted by certain professional sports team charitable foundations; providing penalties.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 899** **Eltime**
Relating to the regulation of money services businesses; affecting the prosecution of a criminal offense.
Business & Commerce
- SB 900** **Taylor, Larry/ Creighton/ Kolkhorst/ Lucio**
Relating to the operation of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association and the renaming of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association as the Texas Coastal Insurance Association.
Business & Commerce
- SB 901** **Eltime**
Relating to the amount of temporary income benefits to which an injured employee is entitled under the workers' compensation system.
Business & Commerce
- SB 902** **Taylor, Van**
Relating to the disclosure of certain public information by a public school district.
Business & Commerce
- SB 903** **Hancock**

Relating to procedures for the management, sale, or lease of certain state-owned real property and the management or collection of related funds, including disputed oil and gas royalties owed to the state.
Business & Commerce

SB 904 **Hinojosa**
Relating to exempting emergency preparation supplies from the sales and use tax for a limited period.
Finance

SB 905 **Hinojosa**
Relating to the appointment of a county auditor in certain populous counties.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 906 **Hinojosa**
Relating to increasing the optional county fee for registering a motor vehicle.
Transportation

SB 907 **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.
Higher Education

SB 908 **Zaffirini**
Relating to establishment and functions of the Animal Welfare Commission.
Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 909 **Zaffirini**
Relating to the county courts at law in Bexar County.
State Affairs

SB 910 **Zaffirini**
Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of the total appraised value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran.
Finance

SB 911 **Zaffirini**
Relating to the eligibility for grants for natural gas fueling stations under the Texas natural gas vehicle grant program.
Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 912 **Eltife**
Relating to a volume-based exemption from reporting requirements for certain accidental discharges or spills from wastewater facilities.
Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 913 **Zaffirini**
Relating to energy and water management planning and reporting requirements for state agencies and institutions of higher education.
Business & Commerce

SB 914 **Kolkhorst**
Relating to a council on long-term care facility surveys and informal dispute resolution.
Health & Human Services

SB 915 **Kolkhorst**
Relating to the textbook affordability pilot program and to certain studies and reports by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board regarding achievable cost-saving measures and the use and availability of electronic, public domain, and open source textbooks at institutions of higher education
Higher Education

SB 916 **Seliger**
Relating to the creation of a program to improve public education through partnerships between certain public school campuses and public universities.
Education

SB 917 **Seliger**

Intergovernmental Relations

Relating to the procedure for claiming an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the property of a veteran's organization.

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Criminal Justice

Education

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- SB 932** **Fraser**
Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to retain assistance for federal proceedings affecting certain electric utilities and consumers.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 933** **Fraser**
Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to review transmission interconnections that enable imports or exports from the ERCOT power grid.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 934** **Kolkhorst**
Relating to providing training academies for public school teachers who provide mathematics instruction to students in kindergarten through grade three.
Education
- SB 935** **Kolkhorst**
Relating to the establishment of reading excellence teams.
Education
- SB 936** **Kolkhorst**
Relating to the eligibility for supplemental nutrition assistance benefits for certain persons who owe delinquent child support.
Health & Human Services
- SB 937** **Kolkhorst**
Relating to nontolled lanes on a highway that has been converted from a nontolled highway to a toll project.
Transportation
- SB 938** **Kolkhorst**
Relating to the exercise of eminent domain by a toll project entity.
Transportation
- SB 939** **Kolkhorst**
Relating to disclosure of financial studies and reports associated with a toll project.
Transportation
- SB 940** **Taylor, Van**
Relating to the notification and reporting duties of a state governmental entity with public retirement system investment holdings in Sudan or Iran.
State Affairs
- SB 941** **Creighton**
Relating to the standard of review for a determination of standing in a contested case hearing conducted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 942** **Estes/ Ellis**
Relating to warrants or orders issued to obtain certain information through installation or use of global positioning system wireless device trackers, international mobile subscriber identity locators, or other devices or equipment, and to public access to law enforcement or prosecutor requests for certain related location or communication information; creating an offense.
State Affairs
- SB 943** **Rodríguez**
Relating to contempt of court committed by certain juvenile offenders and the detention of certain juvenile offenders.
Criminal Justice
- SB 944** **Rodríguez**
Relating to the establishment of a task force to promote uniformity in the collection and reporting of information relating to family violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking.
Criminal Justice

Relating to the authority of the Texas Facilities Commission to manage a construction project at the site of the G. J. Sutton State Office Complex in Bexar County.

Business & Commerce

SB 959 Taylor, Van

Relating to the collection of a complete set of fingerprints from certain applicants for driver's licenses.

Transportation

SB 960 Uresti

Relating to the right of a dentist to contract for certain services.

Health & Human Services