

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

**Wednesday
March 18, 2015**

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

SB 197 Schwertner/ et al.

Relating to the financial self-sufficiency of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.
2 Floor Amendments

SB 273 (CS) Campbell/ et al.

Relating to certain offenses relating to carrying concealed handguns on property owned or leased by a governmental entity; providing a civil penalty.

SB 288 (CS) (LC) Estes

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 16 in Young County as the Texas Game Warden Joseph Marshall Evans Memorial Highway.

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

**SB 11 (CS) Birdwell/ Bettencourt/ Burton/
Campbell/ Creighton/ et al.**

Relating to the carrying of handguns on the campuses of and certain other locations associated with institutions of higher education.

3 Floor Amendments

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 331 Burton/ Birdwell

Recognizing Mansfield Day at the State Capitol.

SR 393 Perry

Recognizing March 18, 2015, as Rural Water Day.

Committee referral on the following:

SJR 45 Menéndez

Proposing a constitutional amendment to establish the Alamo preservation fund and make a one-time transfer of money from the economic stabilization fund to the Alamo preservation fund.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SJR 46 Menéndez

Proposing a constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes, providing for the increase of the exemption amount in subsequent years to reflect inflation in homestead values, and 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 a disabled or elderly person to reflect the increased exemption amounts.

Finance

SJR 47 Huffines

Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the appropriation of the net revenue received from the imposition of the state sales and use tax on sporting goods.

Finance

SJR 48 Lucio

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of additional obligations to provide financial assistance to counties for roadways to serve border colonias.

Intergovernmental Relations

SJR 49 Lucio

Proposing a constitutional amendment mandating the legislature to require candidates for public elective office in this state to undergo drug screening.

State Affairs

SJR 50 Lucio

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation structures used to store certain implements of husbandry.

Finance

SJR 51 Rodríguez

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe and the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas to conduct all forms of gaming on certain tribal land and requiring the tribes to annually pay five percent of net proceeds from gaming to the comptroller of public accounts for deposit in the general revenue fund.

State Affairs

SJR 52 Campbell

Proposing a constitutional amendment repealing the requirement that state officers elected by voters statewide reside in the state capital.

State Affairs

SCR 26 Fraser

Directing the governor to award the Texas Legislative Medal of Honor posthumously to Lieutenant Colonel Ed Dyess.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SCR 27 Hancock

Expressing opposition to EPA-proposed guidelines regarding carbon dioxide emissions from existing fossil fuel-fired power plants under Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 963 Campbell

Relating to the creation of the Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation District; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments and fees.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 1276 Nelson

Relating to the amounts, availability, and use of certain statutorily dedicated revenue and accounts; reducing or affecting the amounts or rates of certain statutorily dedicated fees and assessments.

Finance

SB 1277 Nelson

Relating to training and education for state agency administrators and employees.

Finance

SB 1279 Campbell/ Nelson

Relating to designated emergency infant care providers for certain abandoned children.

Health & Human Services

SB 1280 Huffman

Relating to directing payment, after approval, of certain miscellaneous claims and judgments against the state out of funds designated by this Act; making appropriations.

Finance

SB 1281 Zaffirini

Relating to the authority of a local government to participate in a cooperative purchasing program with local governments of this state or another state.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1282 Eltife

Relating to the regulation of consumer credit transactions and the regulatory authority of the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner.

Business & Commerce

SB 1283 Eltife

Relating to the exemption from certain registration and licensing requirements and taxes for certain businesses and employees who enter this state in response to a disaster or emergency.

Business & Commerce

SB 1284 **Watson**

Relating to the development of electricity demand response programs.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 1285 **Hall**

Relating to the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of certain dealer's heavy equipment inventory.

Finance

SB 1286 **Hall**

Relating to the use of automatic license plate readers by a law enforcement agency.

Criminal Justice

SB 1287 **Hinojosa**

Relating to the licensing and regulation of forensic analysts and the administration of the Texas Forensic Science Commission; authorizing fees; requiring an occupational license.

Criminal Justice

SB 1288 **Estes**

Relating to a prohibition on local solid waste management regulations that are inconsistent with a permit or regulations of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 1289 **Estes**

Relating to the continuation and duties of the Red River Boundary Commission.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 1290 **Eltife**

Relating to the regulation of the fitting and dispensing of hearing instruments.

Health & Human Services

SB 1291 **Taylor, Van**

Relating to the collection, administration, and enforcement of state taxes and fees.

Finance

SB 1292 **Zaffirini**

Relating to parking privileges for people with disabilities; authorizing a fee; amending dismissal procedures for a criminal offense.

Transportation

SB 1293 **Uresti/ Zaffirini**

Relating to the designation of certain river or stream segments as being of unique ecological value.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 1294 **Nichols**

Relating to certain limitations on design-build contracts for transportation infrastructure projects.

Transportation

SB 1295 **West**

Relating to separate negotiations regarding employment matters for police officers and firefighters in certain municipalities.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1296 **West**

Relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes, to the nonsubstantive codification or disposition of various laws omitted from enacted codes, and to conforming codifications enacted by the 83rd Legislature to other Acts of that legislature.

Administration

SB 1297 **Schwertner**

Relating to the compensation of the board of directors of the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 1298 **Hall**

Relating to the selection of the presiding officer of, voting requirements for action by, and purpose of the Texas Ethics Commission.

State Affairs

SB 1299 **Hall**

Relating to rules adopted by the Texas Ethics Commission relating to lobbyists or the reporting of political contributions or expenditures.

State Affairs

SB 1300 **Hall**

Relating to procedures for formal hearings conducted by the Texas Ethics Commission.

State Affairs

SB 1301 **Perry**

Relating to the governance and administration of the Texas Water Resources Finance Authority.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 1302 **Menéndez**

Relating to limiting certain state-required assessment instruments administered to public school students in certain grades to assessments required by federal law.

Education

SB 1303 **Menéndez**

Relating to the salary paid to classroom teachers employed by public schools.

Education

SB 1304 **Menéndez**

Relating to the creation of a women veterans mental health initiative within the mental health intervention program for veterans.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1305 **Menéndez**

Relating to the creation of a rural veterans mental health initiative within the mental health intervention program for veterans.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1306 **Menéndez**

Relating to the coordination and provision of certain health services to veterans.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1307 **Menéndez**

Relating to occupational licenses for military service members, military veterans, and military spouses.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1308 **Menéndez**

Relating to driver's licenses and personal identification certificates issued to veterans; reducing certain fees.

Transportation

SB 1309 **Menéndez**

Relating to eligibility requirements for issuance of a teaching certificate to an applicant who holds a Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps instructor teaching certification.

Education

SB 1310 **Menéndez**

Relating to the administration of and eligibility for participation in a veterans court program and the automatic expunction of arrest records and files for certain veterans who successfully complete that program; imposing a court cost on conviction to benefit veterans court programs; changing a fee.

Criminal Justice

- SB 1311

Lucio

Relating to the office of water and the water advisory committee in the Department of Agriculture.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs
- SB 1312

Watson

Relating to the establishment of the Texas Competency-Based Education Grant Program for certain students enrolled in competency-based online or other distance education baccalaureate degree programs at certain private institutions of higher education.

Higher Education
- SB 1313

Watson

Relating to the names of certain businesses.

Business & Commerce
- SB 1314

Watson

Relating to the award of points for affordable housing projects that are awarded low income housing tax credits.

Intergovernmental Relations
- SB 1315

Watson

Relating to definition of an at-risk development for the low income housing tax credit program.

Intergovernmental Relations
- SB 1316

Watson

Relating to the system by which an application for a low income housing tax credit is scored.

Intergovernmental Relations
- SB 1317

Menéndez

Relating to the prosecution of the offense of improper photography or visual recording.

Criminal Justice
- SB 1318

Menéndez

Relating to the local regulation of distance requirements for the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages near public transportation stops.

Business & Commerce
- SB 1319

Menéndez

Relating to requirements for coaches of youth sports programs.

Business & Commerce
- SB 1320

Menéndez

Relating to the consumption of alcoholic beverages on certain premises; providing a penalty and authorizing a fee.

Business & Commerce
- SB 1321

Menéndez

Relating to asset exclusions in the determination of eligibility for financial assistance benefits for certain persons.

Health & Human Services
- SB 1322

Menéndez

Relating to the ability of certain relative caretakers of dependent children to receive supplemental financial assistance and be assigned as a protective payee.

Health & Human Services
- SB 1323

Menéndez

Relating to fees paid to certain credit services organizations in connection with certain extensions of consumer credit.

Business & Commerce
- SB 1324

Menéndez

Relating to food and beverage consumption in certain public swimming pools.

Health & Human Services
- SB 1325

Menéndez

Relating to the exemption from length limitations of certain vehicles or combinations of vehicles used to transport harvest machines.

Transportation

SB 1339 **Perry**

Relating to the perfection and priority of an agricultural lien on an agricultural crop.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 1340 **Huffines/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/
Burton/ Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to the photographic enforcement of traffic laws.

Transportation

SB 1341 **Taylor, Van**

Relating to the electronic transfer of certain court records.

State Affairs

SB 1342 **Huffines**

Relating to the required curriculum for public school students.

Education

SB 1344 **Huffines**

Relating to the removal of a tenant's personal property after a writ of possession has been issued in an eviction suit.

Business & Commerce

SB 1345 **Huffines**

Relating to quorum and voting requirements for the transaction of business by the board of the Irving Flood Control District Section III of Dallas County.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1346 **Huffines**

Relating to the regulation of occupations by this state.

Business & Commerce

SB 1347 **Huffines**

Relating to the allocation of the proceeds from taxes imposed on the sale, storage, or use of sporting goods.

Finance

SB 1348 **Hinojosa/ Lucio**

Relating to the operations of health care funding districts in certain counties located on the Texas-Mexico border.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1349 **Hinojosa**

Relating to coordination of dental benefits under certain insurance policies.

Business & Commerce

SB 1350 **Hinojosa**

Relating to the jurisdiction of a county court at law in Hidalgo County.

State Affairs

SB 1351 **Hinojosa**

Relating to transferring to the Texas Workforce Commission certain duties of the comptroller related to the Jobs and Education for Texans Grant Program.

Higher Education

SB 1352 **Hinojosa**

Relating to a concealed handgun license application that is submitted by a peace officer or a member of the state military forces.

State Affairs

SB 1353 **Hinojosa**

Criminal Justice

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations-S/C Border Security

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Business & Commerce

SB 1368 **Fraser**
Relating to the provision of state aid to certain local governments disproportionately affected by the granting of ad valorem tax relief to disabled veterans.
Finance

SB 1369 **Zaffirini**
Relating to reports on attorney ad litem appointments made by courts in this state.
State Affairs

SB 1370 **Lucio**
Relating to a court reporter for the county court at law in Kleberg County.
State Affairs

SB 1371 **Lucio**
Relating to imposing a tax on certain sweetened beverages and ingredients used to make certain sweetened beverages; providing a penalty.
Finance

SB 1372 **Lucio**
Relating to authorizing certain current and former members of the state legislature to conduct a marriage ceremony.
State Affairs

SB 1373 **Lucio**
Relating to the authority of a county to adopt a fire code.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1374 **Lucio**
Relating to requiring that certain strategic plans of certain state agencies include the goals of reducing the incidence of food insecurity, poor nutrition, and diet-related disease in this state.
Health & Human Services

SB 1375 **Lucio**
Relating to authorizing certain border counties and municipalities in those counties to regulate land development; providing a penalty.
State Affairs

SB 1376 **Lucio**
Relating to natural disaster housing recovery.
Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 1377 **Lucio**
Relating to competitive bidding requirements for emergency services districts.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1378 **Lucio**
Relating to a drug testing requirement for a person elected to public elective office.
State Affairs

SB 1379 **Lucio**
Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of structures used primarily to store implements of husbandry.
Finance

SB 1380 **Zaffirini**
Relating to the exemption of municipalities, certain metropolitan rapid transit authorities, and regional transit authorities from certain motor fuel taxes.
Finance

SB 1381 **Estes**
Relating to optional annuity increases for certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Texas Municipal Retirement System.
State Affairs

- SB 1382** **Lucio**
Relating to regulation of prescribed pediatric extended care centers; amending a provision subject to a criminal penalty.
Health & Human Services
- SB 1383** **Lucio**
Relating to the licensing and regulation of medical laboratory science professionals; providing penalties; imposing fees.
Health & Human Services
- SB 1384** **Eltime**
Relating to the foreclosure sale of property subject to oil or gas lease.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 1385** **Schwertner**
Relating to the authorization of the imposition of administrative penalties on providers participating in certain Medicaid waiver programs.
Health & Human Services
- SB 1386** **Eltime**
Relating to the sale of beer and ale by certain manufacturers for off-premises consumption.
Business & Commerce
- SB 1387** **Creighton**
Relating to the creation and operations of health care provider participation programs in certain municipalities.
Intergovernmental Relations
- SB 1388** **Lucio**
Relating to cooperation with federal agencies on a guest worker program in this state.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 1389** **Lucio**
Relating to the border commerce coordinator.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 1390** **Lucio**
Relating to improving the accountability of local workforce development boards and consumer information regarding job training programs.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 1391** **Estes**
Relating to a sales tax imposed on the purchase of certain health care supplies.
Finance
- SB 1392** **Seliger**
Relating to service contracts, vehicle protection products and loss damage waivers for heavy equipment; requiring an occupational license; expanding the applicability of an occupational license.
Business & Commerce
- SB 1393** **Zaffirini**
Relating to the creation of the offense of theft of pipeline equipment, oil and gas equipment, oil, gas, or condensate and the unauthorized purchase or sale of oil, gas, or condensate.
Natural Resources & Economic Development
- SB 1394** **Hancock**
Relating to protests before appraisal review boards.
Finance
- SB 1395** **Whitmire**
Relating to the medical accuracy of informational materials given to a woman seeking an abortion.
State Affairs
- SB 1396** **West**

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Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 1424 Lucio

Relating to the administration and oversight of overweight corridors; authorizing a fee.

Transportation

SB 1425 Lucio

Relating to the Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority.

Transportation

SB 1426 West

Relating to physical activity and physical education requirements in public schools.

Education

SB 1427 Lucio

Relating to deposits with the Texas Department of Insurance.

Business & Commerce

SB 1428 Hall

Relating to the use of silver and gold coins as legal tender.

Business & Commerce

SB 1429

Relating to the determination of resident status of students by public institutions of higher education.

State Affairs

SB 1430

Relating to eligibility of attorneys who hold a law license issued by another state to take the state bar examination.

State Affairs

SB 1431

Relating to promoting efficiency in school district administration by limiting, reducing, simplifying, or eliminating certain processes and procedures.

Education

SB 1432 Hall

Relating to prohibiting the implementation in this state of any federal greenhouse gas emissions regulatory program.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 1433 Hall

Relating to the identification of programs and activities in the general appropriations bill and the review of state agency performance and rules.

Finance

SB 1434 **Taylor, Van**

Relating to counting time spent by students participating in certain approved off-campus instructional programs in calculation of the average daily attendance for a school district or open-enrollment charter school.

Education

SB 1435 **Taylor, Van**

Relating to a prohibition on vendor contact with a member of the board of trustees of an independent school district during the procurement process.

Business & Commerce

SB 1436 Zaffirini

Relating to the setback requirements for a junkyard or an automotive wrecking and salvage yard.

Transportation

SB 1437 Zaffirini

Relating to the electronic filing of reports of political contributions and expenditures and of personal financial statements by certain officeholders and candidates.

State Affairs

