

BILLS REFERRED TODAY

**Tuesday
February 24, 2015**

Committee referral on the following:

**SJR 1 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, 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.

Finance

SJR 32 Burton

Proposing a constitutional amendment revising the order of legislative business to permit legislative committees to consider matters during the first 60 days of a regular session.

Administration

SJR 33 Watson

Proposing a constitutional amendment to prohibit using revenues, other money, or account or fund balances dedicated by law for nondedicated general governmental purposes or for certification of appropriations for nondedicated purposes or entities.

Finance

**SCR 13 Seliger/ Estes/ Fraser/ Hinojosa/
 Nichols/ et al.**

Urging the U.S. Congress to end the ban on crude oil exports.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

**SB 1 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.

Finance

**SB 7 Nelson/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/
 Burton/ Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to decreasing the rates of the franchise tax.

Finance

**SB 8 Schwertner/ Bettencourt/
 Birdwell/ Burton/ Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to the total revenue exemption for the franchise tax.

Finance

SB 636 Zaffirini

Relating to the creation of a task force to evaluate recreational use of rivers.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 637 Ellis

Relating to the disqualification of certain temporary employees for unemployment compensation benefits.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

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.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

State Affairs

Business & Commerce

Finance

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Education

Health & Human Services

Natural Resources & Economic Development

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SB 652 **Schwertner**
 Relating to excluding a franchisor as an employer of a franchisee or a franchisee's employees.
Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 653 **Eltife**
 Relating to increasing the amount of burial benefits required to be paid by an insurance carrier under the workers' compensation system.
Business & Commerce

SB 654 **Eltife**
 Relating to regulation of policy forms for certain commercial property and casualty insurance.
Business & Commerce

SB 655 **Eltife**
 Relating to own risk and solvency assessment by insurers and insurance groups; providing a penalty.
Business & Commerce

SB 656 **Eltife**
 Relating to perpetual care cemeteries.
Business & Commerce

SB 657 **Eltife**
 Relating to the appointment of the commissioners of certain financial regulatory agencies by the Finance Commission of Texas.
Business & Commerce

SB 658 **Rodríguez**
 Relating to the exemption from vehicle registration for certain farm vehicles owned by a farmers' cooperative society or marketing association.
Transportation

SB 659 **Rodríguez**
 Relating to state assistance for school employees uniform group health coverage.
Education

SB 660 **Rodríguez**
 Relating to regional coordinators within the veteran entrepreneur program.
Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 661 **Estes**
 Relating to the confidentiality of certain information concerning service members of the state military forces.
Business & Commerce

SB 662 **Rodríguez**
 Relating to the representation of certain indigent applicants for a writ of habeas corpus.
Criminal Justice

SB 663 **Rodríguez**
 Relating to the bill of costs provided to a defendant before the costs are payable.
State Affairs

SB 664 **Taylor, Van**
 Relating to employment termination for falsification of military record in obtaining employment or employment benefits.
Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 665 **Campbell**
 Relating to inclusion of a course on the founding principles of the United States in the curriculum requirements for public high school students and the posting of the founding documents of the United States in public school buildings.
Education

SB 666 Eltife

Relating to the status of a subcontractor as an employee for the purposes of workers' compensation insurance coverage.

Business & Commerce

SB 667 Eltife

Relating to reinsurance, distributions, and pooling arrangements by captive insurance companies.

Business & Commerce

SB 668 Schwertner

Relating to the adoption of a training manual for certain state officers.

Business & Commerce

SB 669 **West**

Relating to state interventions and sanctions against public school campuses with unacceptable performance and the establishment of the Texas Opportunity School District for educating students at certain low-performing campuses.

Education

SB 670 **Birdwell**

Relating to the Texas Identification Number system.

Business & Commerce

SB 671 **Birdwell**

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

Transportation

SB 672 Kolkhorst

Relating to restrictions on the sale by a state agency of information that identifies an individual.

Business & Commerce

SB 673 **Perry**

Relating to the funding and issuing of marriage licenses and certifications and the recognition of certain marriages.

State Affairs

SB 674 **Campbell**

Relating to instruction regarding mental health, substance abuse, and youth suicide in educator training programs.

Education

SB 675 Rodríguez

Relating to social work services in public schools.

Education

SB 676 **Creighton**

Relating to the determination of the market value of property for ad valorem tax purposes.

Finance

SB 677 **Creighton**

Relating to the savings incentive program for state agencies.

Finance

SB 678 **Nelson**

Relating to coordinated county transportation authorities.

Transportation

SB 679 **Nelson**

Relating to public meetings of joint airport boards.

Business & Commerce

SB 680 **Nelson**

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

Business & Commerce

SB 681

Zaffirini

Relating to a bailiff administering the selection of names of persons for jury service.

State Affairs

SB 682

Zaffirini

Relating to the use of hotel occupancy tax revenues in certain municipalities.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 683

Hancock

Relating to the payment of certain ad valorem tax refunds.

Finance

SB 684

Taylor, Larry

Relating to the designation of certain optometrists, therapeutic optometrists, and ophthalmologists as preferred providers.

Business & Commerce

SB 685

Seliger

Relating to the applicability of open meetings and public information laws to the education research center advisory board.

Higher Education