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AFTER RECESS

The Senate met at 2:37 p.m. and was called to order by Senator Parker.

SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

The following bills and resolutions were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

SB 7 by Perry, Alvarado, Bettencourt, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Hughes, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini

Relating to the oversight and financing of certain water infrastructure matters under the jurisdiction of the Texas Water Development Board.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 30 by Schwertner

Relating to recovery of damages in civil actions.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 31 by Hughes

Relating to exceptions to otherwise prohibited abortions based on a physician's reasonable medical judgment.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 32 by Bettencourt, Parker

Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of tangible personal property that is held or used for the production of income and a franchise tax credit for the payment of certain related ad valorem taxes.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 33 by Campbell, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, Huffman, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks

Relating to certain prohibited transactions and logistical support between a governmental entity and an abortion assistance entity or abortion provider for the procurement of an abortion or related services.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 34 by Sparks

Relating to the preparation, prevention, and mitigation of wildfires.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 36 by Parker

Relating to the homeland security activities of certain entities, including the establishment and operations of the Homeland Security Division in the Department of Public Safety.

To Committee on Border Security.

SB 37 by Creighton

Relating to the governance of public institutions of higher education, including review of curriculum and certain degree and certificate programs, the powers and duties of a faculty council or senate, training for members of the governing board, and the establishment of the Office of Excellence in Higher Education.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 38 by Bettencourt, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Hagenbuch, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Parker, Paxton, Sparks

Relating to the eviction from real property of certain persons not entitled to enter, occupy, or remain in possession of the premises.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 39 by Birdwell

Relating to civil liability of a commercial motor vehicle owner or operator.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1851 by Nichols

Relating to the penalty for noncompliance with certain audit requirements by a municipality.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1852 by West

Relating to the accreditation of automotive technology courses offered by public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1853 by West

Relating to an action to determine the status of certain documents or instruments purporting to convey title to or an interest in real property.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1854 by West

Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue by certain municipalities.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1855 by Perry

Relating to requirements that certain plats for the subdivision of land include evidence of groundwater supply.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1856 by Creighton

Relating to a capacity cost recovery rider for certain electric utilities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1857 by Hagenbuch

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to use certain tax revenue for certain qualified projects.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1858 by Hagenbuch

Relating to eligibility for the bulletproof vest and body armor grant program.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1860 by Hughes

Relating to the applicability of laws protecting minors from harmful material on digital services.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1861 by Hughes

Relating to the appointment of a special prosecutor by the court of criminal appeals for certain criminal cases.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1862 by Hughes

Relating to interstate notification by the voter registrar of certain applicants for voter registration.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1863 by Hughes

Relating to the conduct of randomized county election audits.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1864 by Johnson

Relating to egg grading and the selling of ungraded eggs.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1865 by Eckhardt

Relating to the regulation and operation of electric bicycles.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1866 by Perry

Relating to the Texas Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1867 by Perry

Relating to the addition of certain substances to Penalty Group 2 of the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1868 by Perry

Relating to adding certain substances to the Texas Controlled Substances Act and prohibiting the production, manufacture, distribution, delivery, sale, and possession of certain hallucinogenic substances; creating criminal offenses.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1869 by Perry

Relating to the procedures for modifying the schedules of controlled substances.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1870 by Perry

Relating to municipal and county enforcement of drug laws; providing civil penalties.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1871 by Perry, Creighton, Sparks

Relating to discipline management, including the offense of exhibiting, using, or threatening to exhibit or use a firearm or weapon in or on school property or on a school bus, and access to telehealth mental health services in public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1872 by Perry, Sparks

Relating to the expulsion of a public school student for engaging in conduct that constitutes certain offenses.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1873 by Perry, Sparks

Relating to students enrolled in public schools subject to in-school or out-of-school suspension.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1874 by Perry

Relating to immunity from certain disciplinary proceedings against a professional employee of a school district for certain actions concerning public school discipline and law and order.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1875 by Perry

Relating to the repeal of the requirement that certain entities subject to the franchise tax must file a public information report with the comptroller of public accounts.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1876 by Schwertner

Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to retain assistance for regional proceedings affecting certain electric utilities and consumers.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1877 by Schwertner

Relating to the authority of the Office of Public Utility Counsel to access certain data.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1878 by Schwertner

Relating to the Polytechnic College at Sam Houston State University, including the college's eligibility to participate in certain programs.
To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1879 by Schwertner

Relating to the transfer of certain state property from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to Walker County.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1880 by Schwertner

Relating to the creation of an additional judicial district in Williamson County.
To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1881 by Schwertner

Relating to the use of political contributions by the secretary of state to maintain a residence in Travis County.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1882 by Bettencourt

Relating to the imposition by a municipality of a moratorium on property development in certain circumstances.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1883 by Bettencourt

Relating to the approval of land use assumptions, capital improvement plans, and impact fees.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1884 by Sparks

Relating to the employment of persons by the State Board of Education.
To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1885 by Sparks

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to use certain tax revenue for a hotel and convention center project and to receive certain tax revenue related to the project.
To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1886 by Sparks

Relating to the execution of a search warrant for taking a blood specimen from certain persons in certain intoxication offenses.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1887 by Sparks

Relating to the prohibition of immunization with a product containing mRNA material.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1888 by Sparks

Relating to reconstitution of the jury wheel and juror qualifications in certain counties.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1889 by Schwertner

Relating to vision screenings for students in public or private school, including vision screening information reporting for public school students and the creation of a matching grant program for visual devices for certain students.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1890 by Perry

Relating to workers' compensation insurance coverage and bid bonding requirements for small municipal construction projects.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1891 by Perry

Relating to test years used for ratemaking purposes by certain water and sewer utilities.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1892 by Parker

Relating to providing a cost-of-living adjustment applicable to certain benefits paid by the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1893 by Parker

Relating to the employment of and parental notification regarding classroom teachers in public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1894 by Parker

Relating to a transparency review and report on attendance credit under the public school finance system.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1895 by Perry

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway Loop 88 in Lubbock County as the First Responders Memorial Loop.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1896 by Huffman

Relating to the provision of information regarding an arrested person to a magistrate for purposes of an order of emergency protection.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1897 by Hughes

Relating to advanced communications infrastructure security; authorizing a fee; providing administrative penalties.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1898 by Johnson

Relating to the discharge or use of certain firefighting foams for testing or training.
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1899 by Huffman

Relating to the minimum standards of care provided to sexual assault survivors by health care facilities.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1900 by Huffman

Relating to the unlawful possession of a firearm by a person not lawfully present in the United States; creating a criminal offense.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1901 by Huffman

Relating to the administration of the Texas Opioid Abatement Fund Council and Texas Opioid Abatement Trust Fund.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1903 by Campbell

Relating to the composition of the board of directors of the Texas Permanent School Fund Corporation.
To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1904 by Kolkhorst

Relating to procedures for residential eviction suits.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1905 by Zaffirini

Relating to the Cosmetology Licensure Compact; authorizing fees.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1906 by Creighton

Relating to increasing the interest rate of certain consumer loans.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1907 by Creighton

Relating to the exemption of certain gas and electricity from sales and use taxes.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1908 by Zaffirini

Relating to a study by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on the feasibility of implementing a statewide system for coordinating clinical training placements.
To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1909 by Creighton

Relating to a policy prohibiting antisemitism at public institutions of higher education.
To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1910 by Parker

Relating to requests for law enforcement agency reports from the attorney general related to crime victims' compensation applications.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1911 by Eckhardt

Relating to a restriction on permits authorizing direct discharges of waste or pollutants into water in certain stream segments, stream assessments units, and drainage areas.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1912 by Eckhardt

Relating to contracting with companies that boycott certain energy companies.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 1913 by Eckhardt

Relating to certain ad valorem tax-related studies conducted by the comptroller of public accounts.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1914 by Eckhardt

Relating to consent by a county commissioners court for the creation of certain conservation and reclamation districts in the unincorporated area of the county.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1915 by Eckhardt, Johnson, Menéndez

Relating to energy efficiency goals for electric utilities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1916 by Eckhardt, Menéndez

Relating to the use of a load management program to meet an electric utility's energy efficiency goal.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1917 by Middleton

Relating to motor vehicle franchised dealers and the reimbursement of motor vehicle franchised dealers by manufacturers and distributors for warranty, recall, over-the-air, and preparation and delivery work.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1918 by West

Relating to a relative and kinship care grant program administered by the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1919 by West

Relating to the authority of the Texas Department of Transportation to settle certain claims.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1920 by West

Relating to the requirement that a person submit an application for an exemption from ad valorem taxation for certain property used for human burial.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1921 by West

Relating to a common characteristic or use project in a public improvement district in certain municipalities.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1922 by West

Relating to appointments to the public transportation advisory committee.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1923 by West

Relating to the modification of a court order based on a parental child safety placement agreement or an authorization agreement with an adult caregiver.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1924 by Creighton

Relating to the enforcement of certain criminal offenses on school property.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1925 by Creighton

Relating to truancy.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1926 by A. Hinojosa

Relating to commercial signs along U.S. Highway 77.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1927 by A. Hinojosa

Relating to municipal regulation of the removal of an Ashe juniper tree.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1928 by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the prohibited release of personal information collected during the jury selection process.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1929 by Menéndez, Bettencourt

Relating to water testing by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at correctional facilities operated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and county jails.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1930 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the use of proceeds from the sale of saltwater fishing stamps issued by the Parks and Wildlife Department.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1931 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the designation of a portion of Business U.S. Highway 83-S in Hidalgo County as the SP4 Rodolfo Valdez Memorial Highway.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1932 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to certain presumptions applicable to claims for benefits or compensation for certain medical conditions brought by certain first responders.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1933 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the appointment and qualifications of the board of directors of the Agua Special Utility District.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1934 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the operation of certain health care provider participation programs in this state.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1935 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the composition and operation of a property owners' association board.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1936 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the definition of an abuse unit for certain controlled substances under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1937 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the testing of evidence containing biological materials in capital cases.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1938 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the dedication of revenue received from certain oversize or overweight vehicle permits to the state highway fund.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 1939 by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the ship channel improvement revolving fund.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1940 by Hughes

Relating to authorizing a beneficiary designation that transfers a manufactured home classified as personal property at the owner's death.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1941 by Parker

Relating to certain reports required to be filed by digital asset service providers.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1942 by Parker

Relating to electricity planning for large loads.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1943 by Parker

Relating to the review and audit of certain state agency operations.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1944 by Eckhardt, West

Relating to the allocation of housing tax credits to developments within proximate geographical areas.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1945 by Schwertner

Relating to the eligibility of certain individuals younger than 65 years of age to purchase Medicare supplement benefit plans.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1946 by Zaffirini

Relating to the creation of a family violence criminal homicide prevention task force.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1947 by Zaffirini

Relating to the appointment of an interpreter for a court proceeding.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1948 by Perry

Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to regulate fire prevention standards for certain agricultural facilities.
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1949 by Kolkhorst

Relating to a refund of sales and use taxes or a credit against the franchise tax for certain small employers who contribute to an individual coverage health reimbursement arrangement.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1950 by Creighton

Relating to the eligibility of certain individuals for unemployment benefits and the validity of certain claims for unemployment benefits submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission.
To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1951 by Paxton

Relating to the imposition of a penalty for failure to timely file a rendition statement or property report with the chief appraiser of an appraisal district.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1952 by Paxton, Sparks

Relating to the administration and operation of the school health and related services program.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1953 by Campbell

Relating to the inclusion of a person's biological sex on certain government documents and identification cards.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1954 by Campbell

Relating to the authority of a county to regulate land use in certain areas in and around hydrologically sensitive areas.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1955 by Parker

Relating to health benefit plan coverage for cancer screening, imaging, and genetic testing.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1956 by King

Relating to an application for and the issuance of a marriage license after the marriage ceremony has been conducted.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1957 by Hagenbuch

Relating to the eligibility of a person to serve on a civilian oversight board.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1958 by Hagenbuch

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to use certain tax revenue for certain qualified projects.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 1959 by Hagenbuch

Relating to permit considerations for the North Texas Groundwater Conservation District.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1960 by Schwertner

Relating to digital replication rights in the voice and visual likeness of individuals; providing private causes of action; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1961 by Bettencourt

Relating to the reporting of data relating to postsecondary education and workforce trends by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Texas Workforce Commission, to performance tier funding under the public junior college finance program, and to a biennial regional labor demand assessment by the coordinating board.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1962 by Bettencourt, Campbell, Creighton, Hagenbuch, King, Middleton, Parker

Relating to public school accountability and actions and other proceedings challenging the operations of the public school system.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1963 by Creighton

Relating to a financing mechanism allowing electric utilities to obtain recovery of costs associated with a weather-related event or other natural disaster; granting authority to issue bonds.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1964 by Parker

Relating to the regulation and use of artificial intelligence systems and the management of data by governmental entities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1965 by King

Relating to the addition of territory to certain special districts.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1966 by Blanco

Relating to the provision of information regarding centers for independent living for certain persons with an intellectual or developmental disability.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1967 by J. Hinojosa, A. Hinojosa

Relating to the projects eligible for financial assistance from the flood infrastructure fund.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1968 by Schwertner

Relating to the licensing and regulation of certain real estate professionals by the Texas Real Estate Commission.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1969 by Middleton

Relating to the waiver of license renewal fees for certain instructors in high-demand fields at public institutions of higher education.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1970 by Middleton

Relating to the duties of a real estate broker or sales agent who lists real estate for sale.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1971 by Middleton

Relating to admissibility and disclosure of certain evidence in a suit concerning a child alleged to have been abused or neglected or to be at risk of abuse or neglect filed by a governmental entity.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1972 by Middleton

Relating to a limitation on rules, bylaws, and policies adopted by a school district's board of trustees.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1973 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the regulation of human body acquisition services and authorized recipients.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1974 by Blanco

Relating to the authority of the board of trustees of certain small school districts to decrease the number of trustees on the board.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1975 by Bettencourt

Relating to venue in certain actions involving a contract for an improvement to real property.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1976 by Hughes

Relating to certain testing requirements at certain wastewater treatment facilities.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1977 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the recovery of certain expenses by an electric utility or a water and sewer utility in a rate proceeding.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1978 by Hall

Relating to the interconnection of a facility in the ERCOT power region to a facility outside the power region.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1979 by Hall

Relating to renewable energy generation facilities; authorizing fees.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1980 by Hall

Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of assault committed against certain public servants and to the prosecution of the criminal offense of interference with public duties of those public servants.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1981 by Hall

Relating to the compensation and benefits for certain peace officers commissioned by the state fire marshal.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1982 by Hall

Relating to the location of polling places during early voting and on election day.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1983 by Hall

Relating to the manufacture, sale, and distribution of products developed using mRNA material in the prevention or treatment of a communicable disease.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1984 by Hall

Relating to certain statutes of limitations for criminal offenses, including the statute of limitations for improper relationship between educator and student.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1985 by Hall

Relating to a pharmacist's authority to refuse to dispense a drug.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1986 by Hall

Relating to warning labels for opioid prescription drugs.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 1987 by Hall

Relating to procedures and grounds for termination of the parent-child relationship.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1988 by Hall

Relating to the abolishment of the state lottery.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1989 by Hall

Relating to the use of proceeds deposited to the horse industry account for law enforcement purposes.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1990 by Hall

Relating to the operation and administration of the state lottery and repeal of the prohibition on imposing taxes on lottery tickets or prizes.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1991 by Hall

Relating to the conduct of the state lottery; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 1992 by Hall

Relating to the display of "In God We Trust" on municipal and county buildings.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 1993 by Hall

Relating to a prohibition on certain roadway projects and to the distribution of affordable housing funds to local governmental entities that violate that prohibition.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 1994 by Hall

Relating to the consideration of the provision of law enforcement, fire protection, and emergency services by a commissioners court or the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality when determining whether to grant or deny a petition for the creation of certain conservation and reclamation districts.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 1995 by Hall

Relating to the unauthorized entry, occupancy, sale, rental, lease, advertisement for sale, rental, or lease, or conveyance of real property, including the removal of certain unauthorized occupants of a dwelling; creating criminal offenses; increasing a criminal penalty.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 1996 by Zaffirini

Relating to the amount in controversy in the jurisdiction of statutory county courts.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 1997 by Zaffirini

Relating to the renewal of a certificate of registration by certain interior designers.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 1998 by Huffman

Relating to a preceptorship program in a pediatric subspecialty for medical students in this state.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 1999 by Hughes

Relating to protection for certain individuals' use of terms consistent with biological sex.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2000 by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the hours of early voting by personal appearance in certain counties.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2001 by King

Relating to the registration of vehicles, the issuance of disabled parking placards, and certain benefits associated with that registration or issuance for certain peace officers with disabilities; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2002 by Hughes

Relating to the issuance of gold and silver specie and the establishment of a currency based on gold and silver; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2003 by A. Hinojosa

Relating to training requirements for certain governing bodies and administrators of public schools and making publicly available information regarding the expenditure of money by those public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 2004 by King

Relating to the eligibility of the INDYCAR Grand Prix of Arlington for funding under the major events reimbursement program.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 2005 by King

Relating to rules promulgated by the Texas Supreme Court.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2006 by Hagenbuch

Relating to the composition of the juvenile board of Grayson County.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2007 by Hagenbuch

Relating to the voluntary disclosure by an applicant for registration of a motor vehicle of the applicant's military status.
To Committee on Veteran Affairs.

SB 2008 by Hagenbuch

Relating to the posting of a school district's expenditures ratio on the district's Internet website.
To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 2009 by Campbell, King

Relating to the compensation of counsel appointed to provide representation and services to indigent individuals in criminal and juvenile proceedings.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2010 by Bettencourt

Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to establish and operate a guaranteed income program.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 2011 by Johnson

Relating to the adoption of noise regulations by certain counties; providing a criminal penalty; authorizing a fee.
To Committee on Local Government.

SB 2012 by Campbell

Relating to the provision of certain information about physicians and nurses making determinations regarding requests for preauthorization of health care services or supplies.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2013 by Campbell

Relating to the dispensing of certain drugs by physicians specializing in ophthalmology.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2014 by Zaffirini

Relating to policies and procedures regarding certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship filed by the Department of Family and Protective Services.
To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 2015 by Bettencourt

Relating to the relocation or adjustment of certain facilities for certain municipal projects.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2016 by Bettencourt

Relating to the administration and operations of the state auditor's office.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 2017 by Bettencourt

Relating to the creation of a criminal offense for operating a vehicle under certain circumstances causing a tire of the vehicle to spin, lose traction, or leave the surface of a highway.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2018 by Paxton, J. Hinojosa, Hughes, Sparks

Relating to the strong families credit against certain taxes for entities that contribute to certain organizations.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2019 by Paxton

Relating to the availability and instruction on the use of automated external defibrillators and a cardiac emergency response plan at public schools and certain private schools in this state.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 2020 by Campbell

Relating to the exclusion of real property repair and remodeling services from sales and use taxes.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2021 by Johnson

Relating to the interconnection and integration of distributed energy resources.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2022 by Blanco

Relating to the denial of the registration of a motor vehicle based on certain information provided by a county to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2023 by Blanco

Relating to the establishment of a grant program to support the disposition of deceased paupers' bodies.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2024 by Perry

Relating to a prohibition on marketing, advertising, or selling certain e-cigarette products; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2025 by Schwertner

Relating to risk mitigation planning and associated liability for providers of electric service.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2026 by Campbell

Relating to the charging of swipe fees on certain electronic payment transaction; authorizing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2027 by Campbell

Relating to the liability of a funeral service provider for mental anguish damages.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2028 by Johnson

Relating to the criminal and licensing consequences of certain offenses relating to the possession of marihuana, certain tetrahydrocannabinols, certain synthetic cannabinoids, and drug paraphernalia; imposing a fee.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2029 by Bettencourt

Relating to authorizing a statewide referendum allowing voters to indicate a preference for observing year-round standard time or daylight saving time.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2030 by West

Relating to prohibited student athlete name, image, and likeness agreements; providing injunctive relief and a civil penalty.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 2031 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the removal of a fence surrounding a breeder deer release site.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SB 2032 by Paxton

Relating to certain requirements regarding a contract between a single source continuum contractor and the Department of Family and Protective Services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2033 by Paxton

Relating to the contract requirements for a contract between a single source continuum contractor and the Department of Family and Protective Services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2034 by Paxton

Relating to the receivership of a single-source continuum contractor providing child welfare services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2035 by Hughes, Bettencourt, King

Relating to contributions, expenditures, and related activities for supporting or opposing a ballot measure; creating criminal offenses; providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2036 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the authority and responsibilities of the Texas Historical Commission; authorizing fees.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SB 2037 by Sparks

Relating to permit application review and contested case procedures for environmental permits involving a project to construct or modify a liquefied natural gas export terminal; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 2038 by Hancock

Relating to the promotion and sale of wine produced in this state; creating a farm winery permit; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2039 by Hancock

Relating to the applicability of certain pedestrian laws to certain sidewalk users.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2040 by Hancock

Relating to the establishment of the Texas Adoption Assistance Program.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2041 by Hancock

Relating to factors the Department of Family and Protective Services must consider when selecting a foster care placement for a child.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2042 by Hancock

Relating to the time frame required for excavation notification.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2043 by Hughes

Relating to prohibited retaliation against a physician or health care provider for reporting certain violations or taking certain actions with respect to the provision of health care services; providing a civil remedy.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2044 by Bettencourt

Relating to the regulation of certain political communications, a prohibition on electioneering by school district and open-enrollment charter school officials and employees, and actions and other proceedings by a public school challenging the operations of the public school system; authorizing an administrative penalty; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2045 by Bettencourt

Relating to the prohibition of certain actions with respect to campaign contributions and expenditures by foreign persons; creating criminal offenses.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2046 by Bettencourt

Relating to penalties for certain offenses involving county competitive bidding requirements; increasing criminal penalties.

To Committee on Local Government.

SB 2047 by Bettencourt

Relating to liability of judges and magistrates for the improper release on personal bond of defendants accused of committing certain felony offenses.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2048 by Bettencourt

Relating to the assumption of the powers and duties relating to driver's licenses, personal identification certificates, and other related programs, powers, and duties by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2049 by Birdwell, Blanco

Relating to the establishment of the Quad-Agency Child Care Initiative and the Quad-Agency Child Care Initiative Commission.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2050 by Birdwell

Relating to the recycling and disposal of consumer energy storage modules.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

SB 2051 by Birdwell

Relating to the impeachment or removal from office of certain public officers, including procedures governing the impeachment, trial on impeachment, and disqualification of state officers, and to the grounds for which certain public officers may be removed from office.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2052 by Birdwell

Relating to the determination of the best interest of the child in certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

SB 2053 by Birdwell

Relating to creating the Governor's Medal of Service award to recognize service to the people of Texas.

To Committee on Administration.

SB 2054 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the authorization for and approval of certain nursing programs offered by private postsecondary educational institutions or for-profit entities.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2055 by West

Relating to participation in the Texas Leadership Scholars Program.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 2056 by Hancock

Relating to unlawful practices relating to credit card transactions; providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2057 by Parker

Relating to requiring a person to submit proof of citizenship to register to vote; creating criminal offenses.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2058 by Parker

Relating to certain duties of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in relation to the reporting and publication of nursing program clinical site data.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2059 by Parker

Relating to the recognition of career and technology education programs by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SB 2060 by Parker

Relating to funding mechanisms within the Office of the Governor and Texas Public Utility Commission to support the deployment of advanced nuclear reactors in this state.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SCR 36 by Creighton

Urging all public universities in Texas to respond swiftly and decisively to any attempts to occupy or disrupt campus property.

To Committee on Education K-16.

SCR 37 by Creighton

Recognizing the strategic importance of the Panama Canal to the economic strength of the United States and the State of Texas.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SCR 38 by Creighton

Recognizing the strategic importance of the Gulf of America to the economic and security interests of Texas and the United States.

To Committee on Economic Development.

SCR 39 by Creighton

Urging the federal government to take immediate action in addressing issues related to security at the border.

To Committee on Border Security.

SCR 40 by Creighton

Urging Congress to enact a balanced budget requirement.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SCR 41 by Blanco

Urging the United States Department of Commerce to maintain the Tomato Suspension Agreement.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

SCR 42 by Hughes

Urging the state to adopt the policy to recognize two sexes, male and female.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SJR 4 by Schwertner

Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the maximum amount of money allowable in the economic stabilization fund.

To Committee on Finance.

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to a previously adopted motion, the Senate at 3:07 p.m. adjourned, in memory of U.S. Congressman Sylvester Turner, until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee reports were received by the Secretary of the Senate in the order listed:

March 17, 2025

NATURAL RESOURCES — SB 1061

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — SB 15, SB 65, SB 241, SB 304, SB 402, SB 499, SB 621, SB 974, SB 1023, SB 1024, SB 1025, SB 1106

EDUCATION K-16 — SB 686, SJR 12, SCR 5, SB 112, SB 371, CSSB 204, CSSB 400, SB 609, SB 1447

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — SB 670, CSSB 502

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — CSSB 427, CSSB 850, CSSB 854, CSSB 413

TRANSPORTATION — CSSB 1555

STATE AFFAIRS — SCR 22, SB 1362, CSSB 1346, SB 1033, SB 1220, SB 1073, SB 810, SB 987, SB 1539, CSSB 893, SB 447, SB 875, SB 406, SB 509, SB 985, SB 965, CSSB 17, SB 1119, SB 1505

EDUCATION K-16 — CSSB 12, CSSB 24, CSSB 57

WATER, AGRICULTURE, AND RURAL AFFAIRS — CSSB 1194, CSSB 1253, SB 1215, SB 1532, SB 1268

**In Memory
of
U.S. Congressman Sylvester Turner
Senate Resolution 258**

WHEREAS, The life of an esteemed lawmaker and public servant drew to a close with the passing of the Honorable Sylvester Turner on March 5, 2025, at the age of 70; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Turner's monumental career encompassed service as a state legislator, as the mayor of Houston, and as a member of the United States House of Representatives, and the ideals that guided all of his work were forged in the Bayou City's Acres Homes neighborhood, where he was raised; born on September 27, 1954, he shared a two-bedroom house with his parents and eight siblings in his early years; while watching the Kennedy-Nixon debates with his family as a small boy, he resolved to become a lawyer and public servant, beginning his lifelong commitment to helping others; his father, a commercial painter, died when he was just 13, and his mother continued to support the family as a housekeeper at the Rice Hotel; although neither of his parents received a diploma, he became student body president and valedictorian at Klein High School, and he went on to graduate from the University of Houston and Harvard Law School; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Turner began his career as a trial lawyer with the Fulbright & Jaworski firm and later cofounded Barnes & Turner, a practice focused on commercial law and personal injury litigation; in addition, he taught at the Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law, at the South Texas College of Law, and in the University of Houston Law School continuing legal education program; and

WHEREAS, First elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1988, Congressman Turner was returned to office 13 times and served three terms as speaker pro tempore; he helped shape fiscal policy during more than two decades on the House Appropriations Committee and multiple terms as chair of its Subcommittee on Criminal Justice; moreover, he distinguished himself in his duties as a member of the Legislative Budget Board and as chair of the Texas Legislative Black Caucus and the Greater Houston Area Legislative Delegation; known for his eloquence and his ability to work across the aisle, he secured passage of such important legislation as a 2007 children's health insurance measure; his passion for health care, education, human services, consumer rights, and juvenile justice earned him recognition as "the conscience of the House"; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Turner was elected to the first of two terms as Houston mayor in 2015; he guided the city through a period of unprecedented challenges, among them Hurricane Harvey and six other

federally declared disasters, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic; early in his tenure, he strengthened finances by crafting a solution for the mounting pension debt crisis; he also promoted sustainability, bolstering the city's status as the energy capital of the world; addressing violent crime and mental health, he launched the One Safe Houston initiative, and other important programs included Hire Houston Youth, One Clean Houston, and Complete Communities, which fostered economic advancement through revitalization of underserved areas; in addition to his other responsibilities, he provided national leadership in urban policy as chair of the Global Resilient Cities Network, Climate Mayors, and the African American Mayors Association, and he was a trustee of the U.S. Conference of Mayors; and

WHEREAS, In 2024, citizens elected him to Congress to represent the historically significant 18th Congressional District, and he served as a member of the Homeland Security and the Science, Space, and Technology Committees; during his time in office, he maintained the incomparable work ethic and whirlwind pace that defined his entire career, devoting himself to the lawmaking process, staying in close touch with constituents, and participating in numerous neighborhood and community-wide events in Houston; he also set aside time to attend the Church Without Walls, where he worshipped for well over three decades, and he rarely missed a Sunday service, even while undergoing cancer treatment; he was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, and remained a proud Acres Homes resident; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to bridging divisions and creating vibrant communities for all, Sylvester Turner demonstrated visionary leadership that greatly benefited the city of Houston and the wider State of Texas, and his legacy will continue to inspire all those who seek to follow in his footsteps; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature hereby honor the memory of Congressman Sylvester Turner and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his daughter, Ashley Turner Captain, and her husband, Jimmie; to his grandson, Jameson Captain; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Congressman Turner.

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