

# SENATE JOURNAL

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PROCEEDINGS

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**TWENTY-THIRD DAY**

(Thursday, April 3, 2025)

The Senate met at 10:21 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by President Pro Tempore Creighton.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Cook, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

The President Pro Tempore announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

Chaplain Keith Evans, St. Luke's Baptist Hospital, San Antonio, offered the invocation as follows:

Most Holy God, as this session begins, we want to recognize You as the supreme Lord of all, the giver of life, our great counselor, and the all-provident and sovereign one. Lord God, we know that many prayers have been lifted up in this Capitol. Thank You for hearing each one and for Your guidance over this state government for the past 178 years. Today, we ask for Your continued presence. Thank You, Lord, for inspiring members here, inspiring them toward this noble calling to serve the State of Texas. We ask for Your spirit to stir hearts and minds, for each elected official to embrace and hold dear the high honor and responsibility that has been entrusted to them. Lord, as the great shepherd, continue to protect and guide this legislative body to maintain fidelity in their positions, wisdom in their deliberations, and to maintain high integrity in their important work. Lord, Your holy word implores us to think upon and to pursue whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable, and anything that is of excellence and would be praiseworthy. For we know, if we sincerely do these things, we, most assuredly, will honor You. Lord, please guide the Texas Senate in their weighty discussions and decisions that will best serve the citizens of this great state. It is to You, our gracious and generous God, which we pray and humbly ask these things. Amen.

Senator Zaffirini moved that the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day be dispensed with and the Journal be approved as printed.

The motion prevailed without objection.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 358**

Senator J. Hinojosa offered the following resolution:

**SR 358**, Recognizing The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in honor of the school's 10th anniversary.

J. HINOJOSA  
A. HINOJOSA  
ZAFFIRINI

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

**GUESTS PRESENTED**

Senator J. Hinojosa, joined by Senators Zaffirini, A. Hinojosa, and Menéndez, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a delegation from The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley including President, Dr. Guy Bailey; Executive Vice President for Strategic Initiatives and Student Affairs, Dr. Maggie Hinojosa; Senior Vice President for Research, Dr. Can "John" Saygin; Senior Vice President for Governmental and Community Relations Veronica Gonzales; Vice President for University Marketing and Communications Patrick Gonzales; Paulina King Benitez; Natalie Garcia; and Silvia Rodriguez.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**(President in Chair)**

**PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY**

Senator Sparks was recognized and presented Dr. Nimat Alam of Odessa as the Physician of the Day.

The Senate welcomed Dr. Alam and thanked her for her participation in the Physician of the Day program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 368**

Senator Bettencourt offered the following resolution:

**SR 368**, Honoring John Sharp for his service as chancellor of The Texas A&M University System.

BETTENCOURT  
KOLKHORST

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Hall and by unanimous consent, the names of the Lieutenant Governor and Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

On motion of Senator Bettencourt, the resolution was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

**GUESTS PRESENTED**

Senator Bettencourt, joined by Senators Kolkhorst, Zaffirini, J. Hinojosa, Menéndez, Sparks, Creighton, Campbell, West, Nichols, Perry, Hancock, and Hall, was recognized and introduced to the Senate The Texas A&M University System Chancellor John Sharp, Diana Atchison Sharp, Deputy Chancellor Billy Hamilton, and General Counselor Ray Bonilla.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**SENATE RESOLUTION 361**

Senator West offered the following resolution:

**SR 361**, Recognizing April 4, 2025, as Texas HBCU Day.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

**GUESTS PRESENTED**

Senator West was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Historically Black Colleges and Universities, HBCU, delegation from Huston-Tillotson University, Prairie View A&M University, and Texas Southern University.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**(Senator Birdwell in Chair)**

**SENATE RESOLUTION 362**

Senator Hagenbuch offered the following resolution:

**SR 362**, Recognizing April 2 and 3, 2025, as Denton County Days at the State Capitol.

HAGENBUCH  
PARKER

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

**GUESTS PRESENTED**

Senator Hagenbuch, joined by Senator Parker, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Denton County Days delegation including County Judge Andy Eads, and Commissioners Ryan Williams, Kevin Falconer, and Bobbie J. Mitchell.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**GUESTS PRESENTED**

Senator Cook was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Streets Coalition delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following Messages from the Governor were read and were referred to the Committee on Nominations:

April 3, 2025  
Austin, Texas

TO THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION:

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointments:

To be members of the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors for terms to expire February 1, 2031:

Wan-Yu "Elisa" Chan

San Antonio, Texas

*(replacing Jennifer W. "Jenn" Winston of Lufkin whose term expired)*

James B. "Brian" Eby

Wichita Falls, Texas

*(replacing Brenda S. Compagnone of Von Ormy whose term expired)*

Corey B. Rose

Austin, Texas

*(replacing Vanessa Hall of Tomball whose term expired)*

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Greg Abbott

Governor

April 3, 2025

Austin, Texas

TO THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION:

I ask the advice, consent and confirmation of the Senate with respect to the following appointments:

To be members of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection for terms to expire as indicated:

To Expire February 1, 2029:

James P. Mallinger

Cedar Park, Texas

*(replacing John Paul "J.P." Steelman of Longview who resigned)*

To Expire February 1, 2031:

Sue A. De Villez

Georgetown, Texas

*(Ms. De Villez is being reappointed)*

Phillip "Paul" Hamilton

Amarillo, Texas

*(Mr. Hamilton is being reappointed)*

John D. Ortega Jr.

San Antonio, Texas

*(replacing Kelly D. Vandygriff of Abernathy whose term expired)*

Brandon L. Wade  
Corpus Christi, Texas  
(*Chief Wade is being reappointed*)

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Greg Abbott  
Governor

### SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were offered:

**SR 363** by Parker, Honoring the fifth grade students from The Covenant School in Dallas for their dedication to learning about Texas history.

**SR 364** by Nichols, Recognizing Neal Weaver for his outstanding contributions to advancing the mission of Stephen F. Austin State University.

**SR 365** by Kolkhorst, In memory of Eugene Bothe.

**SR 366** by Kolkhorst, Recognizing Dallyn Pesek for her contributions as Miss Texan Teen USA 2024.

The resolutions were read and were adopted by a viva voce vote.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS POSTPONED

The Presiding Officer announced that the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading would be postponed until the end of today's calendar.

There was no objection.

### CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The Presiding Officer at 11:55 a.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

### COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 27 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Creighton and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 27** at this time on its second reading:

**CSSB 27**, Relating to the rights of public school educators and financial and other assistance provided to educators and to public schools by the Texas Education Agency related to public school educators.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Creighton offered the following amendment to the bill:

#### Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 27** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 1 of the bill (page 1, lines 27 and 28), between "by" and "adding", insert "amending Subsections (d) and (e) and".

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in amended Section 11.1513, Education Code (page 1, between lines 28 and 29), insert the following:

(d) The employment policy must provide that not later than the fifth [~~10th~~] school day before the date on which a district fills a vacant position for which a certificate or license is required as provided by Section 21.003, other than a position that affects the safety and security of students as determined by the board of trustees, the district must provide to each current district employee:

(1) notice of the position by posting the position on:

(A) a bulletin board at:

(i) a place convenient to the public in the district's central administrative office; and

(ii) the central administrative office of each campus in the district during any time the office is open; or

(B) the district's Internet website, if the district has a website; and

(2) a reasonable opportunity to apply for the position.

(e) If, during the school year, the district must fill a vacant position held by a teacher, as defined by Section 21.201, in less than five [~~10~~] school days, the district:

(1) must provide notice of the position in the manner described by Subsection (d)(1) as soon as possible after the vacancy occurs;

(2) is not required to provide the notice for five [~~10~~] school days before filling the position; and

(3) is not required to comply with Subsection (d)(2).

(3) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Sections 11.1513(d) and (e), Education Code, as amended by this Act, apply beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

The amendment to **CSSB 27** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

Senator Johnson offered the following amendment to the bill:

### **Floor Amendment No. 2**

Amend **CSSB 27** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 2 of the bill (page 1, line 36), strike "Section 21.0411" and substitute "Sections 21.0411 and 21.04893".

(2) In SECTION 2 of the bill, immediately following added Section 21.0411, Education Code (page 1, between lines 51 and 52), insert the following:

Sec. 21.04893. BILINGUAL TARGET LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY TEST. The board shall propose rules to allow a person seeking certification under this subchapter who fails to perform satisfactorily on the Bilingual Target Language Proficiency Test to:

(1) retake only the sections of the test that include the domains on which the person failed to perform satisfactorily; and

(2) during a retake of the test described by Subdivision (1), demonstrate the person's language proficiency through the completion of fewer components, including eliminating a component that requires the preparation of a lesson plan for a person who fails to perform satisfactorily on a domain requiring completion of that component.

The amendment to **CSSB 27** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2.

Senator Hughes offered the following amendment to the bill:

### **Floor Amendment No. 3**

Amend **CSSB 27** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 7 of the bill (page 3, line 40), strike "Section 21.416" and substitute "Sections 21.416 and 21.417".

(2) In SECTION 7 of the bill, immediately following added Section 21.416, Education Code (page 4, between lines 10 and 11), insert the following:

Sec. 21.417. ELECTION BY TEACHER TO USE UNPAID LEAVE. The board of trustees of a school district shall adopt a policy that provides a classroom teacher employed by the district the option to elect not to take the teacher's paid personal leave concurrently with unpaid leave the teacher is entitled to take under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (29 U.S.C. Section 2601 et seq.) for an absence due to pregnancy or the birth or adoption of a child.

(3) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 21.417, Education Code, as added by this Act, applies beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

The amendment to **CSSB 27** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 3.

Senator Creighton offered the following amendment to the bill:

### **Floor Amendment No. 4**

Amend **CSSB 27** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 10 of the bill (page 5, line 1), between "(b-3)," and "(e-1)", insert "(c-1), (c-2),".

(2) In SECTION 10 of the bill, in amended Section 37.002(b)(1), Education Code (page 5, line 3), between "(1)" and "interferes", insert "repeatedly".

(3) In SECTION 10 of the bill, in amended Section 37.002(c), Education Code (page 5, line 30), between "available" and the period, insert "and, not later than the third class day after the day on which the student was removed from class, a conference in which the teacher has been provided an opportunity to participate has been held in accordance with Section 37.009(a)".

(4) In SECTION 10 of the bill, in amended Section 37.002(c), Education Code (page 5, lines 31 and 32), strike ", regardless of the teacher's consent, until" and substitute "unless the teacher provides written consent for the student's return or".

(5) In SECTION 10 of the bill, immediately following amended Section 37.002(c), Education Code (page 5, between lines 37 and 38), insert the following:

(c-1) A return to class plan required under Subsection (c) must be created before or at the conference described by that subsection. A plan created before the conference must be discussed at the conference.

(c-2) The commissioner shall adopt a model return to class plan for use by a school district in creating a return to class plan for a student under Subsection (c).

(6) In SECTION 10 of the bill, in amended Section 37.002(d), Education Code (page 5, line 45), between "available" and the period, insert "and a conference in which the teacher has been provided an opportunity to participate has been held in accordance with Section 37.009(a)".

CREIGHTON  
WEST

The amendment to **CSSB 27** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 4.

Senator West offered the following amendment to the bill:

#### **Floor Amendment No. 5**

Amend **CSSB 27** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 10 of the bill (page 5, line 1), between "(e-1)," and "and (f)", insert "(e-2),".

(2) Immediately following added Section 37.002(e-1), Education Code (page 5, between lines 57 and 58), insert the following:

(e-2) The principal, campus behavior coordinator, or other appropriate administrator shall, at the conference required under Section 37.009(a), notify a student who has been removed from class under this section and the parent of or person standing in parental relation to the student of the student's right to appeal under Subsection (e-1).

The amendment to **CSSB 27** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 5.

**CSSB 27** as amended was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

#### **COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 27 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Creighton moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 27** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 12 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Paxton moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SJR 12** at this time on its second reading:

**SJR 12**, Proposing a constitutional amendment establishing a parent's right to direct a child's education.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 22, Nays 9.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, West, Zaffirini.

The resolution was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 22, Nays 9. (Same as previous roll call)

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
SENATE BILL 1741 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Parker and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 1741** at this time on its second reading:

**CSSB 1741**, Relating to measures to prevent foreign influence, foreign interference, and intellectual property theft at public institutions of higher education.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
SENATE BILL 1741 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Parker moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 1741** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

**(President in Chair)**

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
SENATE BILL 29 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Hughes moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 29** at this time on its second reading:

**CSSB 29**, Relating to business entities.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Eckhardt and Gutierrez asked to be recorded as voting "Nay" on suspension of the regular order of business.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment except as follows:

Nays: Eckhardt, Gutierrez.

### **COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 29 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Hughes moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 29** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Cook, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Eckhardt, Gutierrez.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2. (Same as previous roll call)

### **SENATE BILL 857 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Schwertner moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 857** at this time on its second reading:

**SB 857**, Relating to the authorized removal of certain motor vehicles.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Cook, Creighton, Eckhardt, Hall, Hughes, Middleton, Perry.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7. (Same as previous roll call)

### **SENATE BILL 857 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Schwertner moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 857** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Cook, Creighton, Eckhardt, Hall, Hughes, Perry.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Cook, Creighton, Eckhardt, Hall, Hughes, Middleton, Perry.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The President acknowledged the presence of his grandsons, Weston and Sheppard.

The Senate welcomed Weston and Sheppard.

### COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1536 ON SECOND READING

Senator Zaffirini moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1536** at this time on its second reading:

**CSSB 1536**, Relating to training on Alzheimer's disease, dementia, and related disorders for certain guardians.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Hughes, Middleton, and Sparks asked to be recorded as voting "Nay" on suspension of the regular order of business.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment except as follows:

Nays: Hughes, Middleton, Sparks.

### COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1536 ON THIRD READING

Senator Zaffirini moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 1536** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 3.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Cook, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Hughes, Middleton, Sparks.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 3. (Same as previous roll call)

### **SENATE BILL 922 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Hancock moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 922** at this time on its second reading:

**SB 922**, Relating to the disclosure of certain medical information by electronic means.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Cook, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Creighton, Hall, Huffman, Hughes, Middleton, Parker.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6. (Same as previous roll call)

### **SENATE BILL 922 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Hancock moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 922** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Cook, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Creighton, Hall, Huffman, Hughes, Middleton, Parker.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6. (Same as previous roll call)

### **SENATE BILL 1098 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Blanco and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 1098** at this time on its second reading:

**SB 1098**, Relating to the disclosure by a pharmacy to a patient of certain price information for a drug or biological product.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

**SENATE BILL 1098 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Blanco moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 1098** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

**SENATE BILL 1453 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Bettencourt moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 1453** at this time on its second reading:

**SB 1453**, Relating to the current debt rate and tax rate of a taxing unit for ad valorem tax purposes.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West.

Nays: Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Johnson, Menéndez, Zaffirini.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6. (Same as previous roll call)

**SENATE BILL 1453 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Bettencourt moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 1453** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West.

Nays: Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Johnson, Menéndez, Zaffirini.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6. (Same as previous roll call)

**MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

HOUSE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Thursday, April 3, 2025 - 1

The Honorable President of the Senate  
Senate Chamber  
Austin, Texas

Mr. President:

I am directed by the house to inform the senate that the house has taken the following action:

THE HOUSE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

**HB 9** Meyer

Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of tangible personal property a person owns that is held or used for the production of income.

**HB 22** Noble

Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of intangible personal property.

**HB 908** Spiller

Relating to the reporting by law enforcement agencies of missing children to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

**HB 1392** Bucy

Relating to the postponement of the delinquency date for a payment of ad valorem taxes imposed by a taxing unit if the office of the collector for the taxing unit is closed on the delinquency date.

Respectfully,

/s/Stephen Brown,

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

**(Senator Middleton in Chair)**

**SENATE BILL 2188 ON SECOND READING**

Senator A. Hinojosa moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 2188** at this time on its second reading:

**SB 2188**, Relating to space flight activities.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 10.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, West, Zaffirini.

The bill was read second time.

Senator A. Hinojosa offered the following amendment to the bill:

**Floor Amendment No. 1**

Amend **SB 2188** (senate committee report) in SECTION 2 of the bill as follows:

(1) In amended Section 61.132(c), Natural Resources Code (page 2, line 7), between "municipality" and "or", insert ", the mayor of a municipality acting under authority delegated by ordinance,".

(2) In amended Section 61.132(d), Natural Resources Code (page 2, line 14), between "municipality" and "or", insert ", the mayor of a municipality,".

(3) In amended Section 61.132(e), Natural Resources Code (page 2, line 26), between "municipality" and "and", insert ", the mayor of a municipality,".

The amendment to **SB 2188** was read and was adopted by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 10.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, West, Zaffirini.

**SB 2188** as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 10. (Same as previous roll call)

**(President in Chair)**

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
SENATE BILL 2230 ON SECOND READING**

Senator A. Hinojosa moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 2230** at this time on its second reading:

**CSSB 2230**, Relating to the evacuation of unauthorized persons from a hazard area in connection with space flight activities; creating a criminal offense.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Menéndez, Miles, Zaffirini.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7. (Same as previous roll call)

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
SENATE BILL 2230 ON THIRD READING**

Senator A. Hinojosa moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 2230** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Menéndez, Miles, Zaffirini.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 24, Nays 7.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Menéndez, Miles, Zaffirini.

### **SENATE BILL 879 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Birdwell and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 879** at this time on its second reading:

**SB 879**, Relating to an exemption for drillers or operators of closed-loop geothermal injection wells from certain requirements applicable to persons involved in activities under the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

### **SENATE BILL 879 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Birdwell moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 879** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

### **SENATE BILL 406 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Middleton moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 406** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

**SB 406**, Relating to the required inclusion of a person's sex on a birth certificate and prohibited change of sex on the birth certificate of certain persons.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks.

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, West, Zaffirini.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11. (Same as previous roll call)

### **COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 689 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Hughes moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 689** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

**CSSB 689**, Relating to employment practices regarding diversity and prohibiting the implementation of diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives by certain governmental entities.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks.

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, West, Zaffirini.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11. (Same as previous roll call)

**SENATE BILL 861 REREFERRED**  
**(Motion In Writing)**

Senator Johnson submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **SB 861** be withdrawn from the Committee on Natural Resources and rereferred to the Committee on Finance.

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

**SENATE BILL 1013 REREFERRED**  
**(Motion In Writing)**

Senator Eckhardt submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **SB 1013** be withdrawn from the Committee on Criminal Justice and rereferred to the Committee on Transportation.

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

**SENATE RULE 7.07(b) SUSPENDED**  
**(Permission to Introduce Granted)**  
**(Motion In Writing)**

Senator Bettencourt submitted the following Motion In Writing:

Mr. President:

The following members hereby request to suspend Senate Rule 7.07(b) to permit the introduction of bills and resolutions as follows:

**SB 3034** by Bettencourt, Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 249 in Montgomery and Grimes Counties as the Doug Pitcock Aggie Expressway.

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The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

**SENATE RULE 11.13 SUSPENDED**  
**(Consideration of Bills in Committees)**  
**(Motion In Writing)**

Senator Zaffirini submitted the following Motion In Writing:

Mr. President:

I move to suspend Senate Rule 11.13 so that committees may meet during the reading and referral of bills.

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The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

**SENATE BILL 2188 ON THIRD READING**

Senator A. Hinojosa moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 2188** be placed on its third reading and final passage:

**SB 2188**, Relating to space flight activities.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 25, Nays 6.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Gutierrez, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Zaffirini.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Johnson, Miles, West.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 10.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hagenbuch, Hall, Hancock, A. Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks.

Nays: Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, J. Hinojosa, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, West, Zaffirini.

**SENATE RULES SUSPENDED  
(Posting Rules)**

On motion of Senator Hancock and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Veteran Affairs might meet immediately upon adjournment today at his desk.

**SENATE RULES SUSPENDED  
(Posting Rules)**

On motion of Senator Kolkhorst and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Health and Human Services might meet upon adjournment today at the brass rail.

**SENATE RULES SUSPENDED  
(Posting Rules)**

On motion of Senator Hughes and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Jurisprudence might meet upon adjournment today in the Betty King Committee Room, 2E.20.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

On motion of Senator Zaffirini and by unanimous consent, the Senate at 1:44 p.m. agreed to adjourn, upon completion of the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading, until 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 7, 2025.

**HOUSE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING**

The following bills and resolutions received from the House were read first time and referred to the committees indicated:

**HB 9** to Committee on Local Government.  
**HB 13** to Committee on Finance.  
**HB 22** to Committee on Local Government.  
**HB 135** to Committee on Finance.  
**HB 143** to Committee on Natural Resources.  
**HB 195** to Committee on Local Government.  
**HB 908** to Committee on Criminal Justice.  
**HB 1392** to Committee on Local Government.  
**HJR 1** to Committee on Local Government.  
**HJR 4** to Committee on Finance.

**SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING**

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

**SB 2408** by Parker, Blanco, Middleton, Paxton, Sparks  
Relating to the Trinity River Authority of Texas, following recommendations of the Sunset Advisory Commission; specifying grounds for the removal of a member of the board of directors.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2409** by Blanco, Middleton, Parker, Sparks  
Relating to the Angelina and Neches River Authority, following recommendations of the Sunset Advisory Commission; specifying grounds for the removal of a member of the board of directors.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2461** by Menéndez  
Relating to a study regarding state assistance for the uniform group coverage program for active school employees.  
To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2462** by Menéndez  
Relating to an interim study by the State Office of Risk Management regarding property and casualty insurance costs incurred by public schools.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2463** by Menéndez  
Relating to a lighting reduction policy for nonessential outdoor lighting owned or operated by a political subdivision.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2464** by Menéndez

Relating to the establishment of a school safety and mental health grant program.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2465** by Menéndez

Relating to a study by the Texas Education Agency and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board regarding standardizing transcripts for public schools.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2466** by Menéndez

Relating to a publication by the Parks and Wildlife Department on the dangers of reflective windows for birds and the distribution of the publication to municipalities and the construction industry.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2467** by Menéndez

Relating to a study by the Texas School Safety Center on public school emergency response maps.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2468** by Menéndez

Relating to the conduct by electronic means of certain uncontested hearings.  
To Committee on Jurisprudence.

**SB 2469** by Menéndez

Relating to the regulation of certain day-care centers.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2470** by Menéndez

Relating to the requirements for the labeling and dispensing of a prescription drug or biological product.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2471** by Menéndez

Relating to a set-aside of low income housing tax credits for at-risk housing developments and to the allocation of housing tax credits to those developments and certain other developments.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2472** by Menéndez

Relating to providing a one-time supplemental payment and a cost-of-living adjustment applicable to certain benefits paid by the Employees Retirement System of Texas.  
To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2473** by Menéndez

Relating to the use of an automated employment decision tool by a state agency to assess a job applicant's fitness for a position.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2474** by Menéndez

Relating to a credit against the ad valorem taxes imposed on real property used for a grocery store or healthy corner store located in a food desert.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2475** by Menéndez

Relating to the disclosure and consideration of criminal conduct for purposes of certification as a peer specialist or peer specialist supervisor to provide Medicaid mental health and substance use services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2476** by Nichols

Relating to transfer of the ownership rights of the Woodlawn Water Supply Corporation to the Angelina and Neches River Authority.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2477** by Bettencourt

Relating to certain municipal and county regulation of conversion of certain office buildings to mixed-use and multifamily residential occupancy.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2478** by Bettencourt

Relating to the vote required by the governing body of a political subdivision to adopt an ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the no-new-revenue tax rate or to authorize the issuance of tax bonds.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2479** by Campbell

Relating to the issuance of a single license for a hospital and a mobile stroke unit of the hospital.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2480** by Campbell

Relating to the administration of the Texas Physician Health Program; the disciplinary authority of the Texas Medical Board; imposing a surcharge.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2481** by Alvarado

Relating to extensions of a deadline to comply with a municipal order for a substandard building in certain municipalities.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2482** by Alvarado

Relating to sheriff's department civil service systems in certain counties.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2483** by Alvarado

Relating to coverage for maternal depression screenings under Medicaid and the child health plan program.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2484** by Alvarado

Relating to availability of claims contact information for personal and commercial property and casualty insurers.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2485** by Bettencourt

Relating to the entities covered by the open meetings law and the live broadcast and archived recording of an open meeting of a governmental body.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2486** by Schwertner

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to receive and pledge for the payment of obligations certain additional tax revenue derived from a hotel and convention center project.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2487** by Parker

Relating to procedures for and certain facilities providing crisis and mental health services.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2488** by Parker, Cook, A. Hinojosa, Paxton, Zaffirini

Relating to the implementation of a statewide homeless data sharing network to share real-time data on homelessness.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2489** by Parker

Relating to property owner claims for compensation from certain municipalities that fail to enforce certain laws.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2490** by Parker

Relating to biometric identifiers used in the performance of artificial intelligence.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2491** by Parker

Relating to employer contributions for retirees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas who resume certain employment with a public school.

To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2492** by King

Relating to prohibiting certain discrimination in the provision of financial services.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2493** by Bettencourt

Relating to the text of ballot propositions for bond elections.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2494** by Creighton

Relating to the acceptance of a voter.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2495** by Creighton

Relating to the manufacture of voting machines by certain foreign persons.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2496** by Zaffirini

Relating to a study by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the Department of State Health Services regarding the human health risks associated with exposure to hydrogen sulfide.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2497** by Zaffirini

Relating to the installation of a filtration system by certain public drinking water supply systems.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2498** by Zaffirini

Relating to the participation of certain counties in joint planning in groundwater management areas.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2499** by Zaffirini

Relating to the consideration of compliance with rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in approving rates for water or sewer utility services.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2500** by Zaffirini

Relating to a requirement to report to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation an abandoned or deteriorated water well identified during an inspection of an on-site sewage disposal system.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2501** by Zaffirini

Relating to selection of an attorney by an indigent parent for appointment as attorney ad litem for the parent in certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship.  
To Committee on Jurisprudence.

**SB 2502** by Zaffirini

Relating to the exemption of certain reserve peace officers from regulation as private security personnel.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2503** by West

Relating to requiring certain disclosures as part of certain applications for employment or an internship at a state agency or the legislature.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2504** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the election of junior college district trustees by plurality vote.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2505** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to liability protections for commercial space flight and exploration.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2506** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the establishment of a grant program by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation to plug abandoned and deteriorating water wells.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2507** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to requiring that public schools spend a certain percentage of funding for direct instructional activities, including an indicator for that requirement under the public school financial accountability system.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2508** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to an exemption for certain property owners from regulatory requirements for residential mortgage loan originators.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2509** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to vicarious liability for certain medical care.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2510** by Kolkhorst

Relating to establishment of the temporary prescribed burn manager self-insurance pool; authorizing a fee.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2511** by Hughes

Relating to broadcast coverage agreements for postseason activity of students representing a University Interscholastic League member school.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2512** by Schwertner

Relating to creating the Texas Interoperability Council and a grant program administered by the council.  
To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2513** by West

Relating to notice requirements on state highway projects.  
To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2514** by Hughes

Relating to establishing the hostile foreign organizations unit at the Department of Public Safety and training, prohibitions, reporting requirements, and community outreach designed to combat foreign influence; creating a criminal offense.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2515** by Hughes

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 64 in Smith County as the Fire Marshal Jimmy W. Seaton Memorial Highway.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2516** by Bettencourt

Relating to the court orders eligible for an interlocutory appeal.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

**SB 2517** by Gutierrez

Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of real property leased to certain local public entities for use as a hospital and related health care services.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2518** by Bettencourt

Relating to the authority of certain special districts and corporations created by certain special districts to exercise certain rights and powers outside district boundaries.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2519** by Bettencourt

Relating to restrictions on the levy and use of certain ad valorem taxes and on the issuance of certain bonds supported by ad valorem taxes.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2520** by Bettencourt

Relating to the calculation of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes imposed by a school district on the residence homestead of an individual who is elderly or disabled.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2521** by Bettencourt

Relating to notification of the chief appraiser of an appraisal district of the death of a resident of the county in which the district is located and the determination by the chief appraiser of the effect of the decedent's death on the continued eligibility of any property in the county previously owned by the decedent for any exemption allowed for the property.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2522** by Bettencourt

Relating to municipal and county regulation of platting and subdivisions of land.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2523** by Bettencourt

Relating to the release of an area from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality by petition.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2524** by Miles

Relating to an action to remedy certain conditions affecting safety or habitability of certain residential rental property; providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2525** by Campbell

Relating to the municipal disannexation of certain areas annexed during a certain period of time.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2526** by Zaffirini

Relating to the eligibility of children enrolled in a special education program for free prekindergarten programs in public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2527** by Paxton

Relating to early assessment and interventions for school district students.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2528** by Bettencourt

Relating to the calculation of the petition election tax rate for certain taxing units and the ability of the voters to petition for an election to determine whether to reduce the ad valorem tax rate adopted by those taxing units to the petition election tax rate.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2529** by Bettencourt

Relating to the vote required by the governing body of a taxing unit to adopt an ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate or authorize the issuance of tax bonds.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2530** by Middleton, Creighton, A. Hinojosa, J. Hinojosa, Huffman, Kolkhorst

Relating to the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2531** by Middleton

Relating to occupational licensing reciprocity agreements.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2532** by Middleton

Relating to the calculation of the voter-approval tax rate for certain municipalities that receive municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2533** by Middleton

Relating to the accreditation of law schools in this state.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2534** by Middleton

Relating to the establishment of faith-based child-care facilities.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2535** by Middleton

Relating to the appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes, including protests, arbitrations, and appeals regarding appraisals.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2536** by Miles

Relating to the requirement for certain administrators of certain educational entities to report certain educator misconduct; increasing an administrative penalty.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2537** by Bettencourt

Relating to the limitation on the maximum compressed tax rate of a school district.

To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2538** by Bettencourt

Relating to the plan required to be adopted by the board of directors of an appraisal district for periodically conducting certain reappraisal activities.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2539** by Bettencourt

Relating to the adoption of an ordinance issuing a tax increment bond by certain municipalities that have designated a tax increment reinvestment zone.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2540** by Nichols

Relating to the terms of certain agreements involving minor boundary adjustments between two contiguous school districts.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2541** by Bettencourt

Relating to the repeal of provisions providing for the calculation of an unused increment rate and the use of that rate in calculating certain other ad valorem tax rates.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2542** by Kolkhorst

Relating to the citizenship status of certain employees of this state.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2543** by Hancock

Relating to the location of and the amount of certain revenue that may be used for state veterans cemeteries.

To Committee on Veteran Affairs.

**SB 2544** by Hancock

Relating to eligibility for mediation of certain out-of-network health benefit claims.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2545** by Hancock

Relating to the establishment of a down payment assistance grant program for veterans purchasing manufactured homes and the dedication of certain sales and use tax revenue to finance that program.

To Committee on Veteran Affairs.

**SB 2546** by Hancock

Relating to establishing an advisory group to study potential means to finance costs of development and maintenance of electric transmission infrastructure.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2547** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to imposing a moratorium on the awarding of certain contracts by the Health and Human Services Commission under Medicaid and the child health plan program.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2548** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to awarding contracts to managed care organizations under Medicaid and the child health plan program.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2549** by West

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

**SB 2550** by West

Relating to an exemption of the transfer of certain rights in water from certain disclosure requirements applicable to the transfer of certain interests in real property.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2551** by West

Relating to the eligibility of an individual to pay the ad valorem taxes imposed on the individual's residence homestead in installments.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2552** by West

Relating to the provision of information regarding certain public assistance programs by public schools.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2553** by West, Middleton

Relating to the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of property that qualifies for an exemption as a historic or archaeological site.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2554** by West

Relating to collection of certain fines assessed for traffic offenses.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2555** by West

Relating to a first responder peer support network for certain firefighters and law enforcement personnel.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2556** by West

Relating to regulating the carrying of firearms on or within publicly owned fairgrounds and similar public facilities during certain events; creating a criminal offense.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2557** by West

Relating to preventing racial profiling and to video and audio equipment and recordings of certain law enforcement motor vehicle stops; authorizing a fee; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2558** by West

Relating to the disposal of exhibits used in criminal proceedings.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2560** by West

Relating to the issuance of a warrant authorizing the use of a no-knock entry by a peace officer.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2561** by West, Miles

Relating to the establishment of the student success initiative program by the Texas Education Agency and the award of grants under that program.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2562** by West

Relating to the regulation of referral agencies for assisted living facilities; providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2563** by West

Relating to records of violations against certain child-care facilities that provide child-care services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2565** by West

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to receive certain tax revenue derived from a hotel and convention center project and to pledge certain tax revenue for the payment of obligations related to the project.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2566** by West

Relating to request for public information for legislative purposes; providing an administrative penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2567** by West

Relating to the deceptive trade practice of failure to disclose information regarding the use of artificial intelligence system or algorithmic pricing systems for setting of price.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2568** by Zaffirini

Relating to the exempt use of flood control reservoirs constructed pursuant to Public Law P.L. 83-566 by qualified local sponsors.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2569** by Flores

Relating to the reporting requirement for certain law enforcement agencies regarding the agencies' use or operation of an unmanned aircraft.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2570** by Flores

Relating to a defense to prosecution for certain offenses involving the use of a less-lethal projectile by a peace officer.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2571** by Middleton, Creighton, A. Hinojosa

Relating to funding of excess losses and operating expenses of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association; authorizing an assessment.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2572** by Middleton

Relating to a prohibition on the receipt of bond proceeds by persons who make a contribution to certain political committees.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2573** by Middleton

Relating to the participation of optometrists and therapeutic optometrists in managed care plans providing vision benefits.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2574** by Middleton

Relating to preserving religious liberty from nativist jurisprudence.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2575** by Middleton

Relating to recoverable depreciation for property damage claims under an insurance policy.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2576** by Middleton

Relating to repeal of provisions requiring a school district to reduce its local revenue level in excess of entitlement.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2577** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to subdivision plat requirements in certain counties.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2578** by Hancock

Relating to licensure and contracting for the delivery of medical assistance by nursing facilities.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2579** by Hancock

Relating to health care and insurance fraud; creating a criminal offense; authorizing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2580** by Hancock

Relating to the definition of a designated law enforcement office or agency for purposes of certain laws governing the installation and use of tracking equipment and access to certain communications.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2581** by Hancock

Relating to the repeal of a provision governing the operation of jail commissaries in certain counties.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2582** by Nichols

Relating to the compensation, reimbursement of expenses, and retirement benefits of a member of the State Board of Education.

To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2583** by Kolkhorst

Relating to residential treatment facilities for certain juveniles.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2584** by Schwertner

Relating to the regulation of service contracts and service contract providers and administrators.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2585** by Gutierrez

Relating to disparate premiums for personal automobile insurance policies based on certain characteristics of the insured.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2586** by Flores

Relating to information that a property owners' association must file with the Texas Real Estate Commission; authorizing an administrative penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2587** by Zaffirini

Relating to access to and use of certain criminal history record information.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2588** by Zaffirini

Relating to the conversion of all or a portion of a municipal sales and use tax originally adopted for the purpose of sports and community venues to a municipal sales and use tax for economic development purposes.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2589** by Zaffirini

Relating to procedures for a commissioners court to close, abandon, or vacate certain county roads.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2590** by Zaffirini

Relating to grounds for recounting paperless electronic voting system ballots.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2591** by Zaffirini

Relating to the purposes for which the Texas Water Development Board may use money in the economically distressed areas account.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2592** by Zaffirini

Relating to county purchasing agents in certain counties.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2593** by Zaffirini

Relating to the authority of a county that borders the United Mexican States to regulate residential land use; creating a criminal offense.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2594** by Middleton

Relating to the provision of supplemental services by management organizations in certain public improvement districts located in certain municipalities.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2595** by Middleton

Relating to the creation of the criminal offense of harassing, intimidating, or threatening another person while concealing identity with a mask or other headgear.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2596** by Middleton

Relating to group property and casualty insurance policies.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2597** by Middleton

Relating to the designation of a portion of Farm-to-Market Road 521 in Brazoria County as the Clarence "BB" Sasser Medal of Honor Highway.  
To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2598** by Middleton

Relating to certain structures located near a National Wildlife Refuge.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2599** by Middleton

Relating to the purchasing authority of development corporations.  
To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2600** by Middleton

Relating to a fee charged by a school district for the transportation of a student who lives within two miles of the school the student attends.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2601** by Blanco

Relating to a program to compensate landowners for property damage.  
To Committee on Border Security.

**SB 2602** by Blanco

Relating to procurement procedures for certain municipal housing authorities.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2603** by Blanco

Relating to cooperation by economic development program participants with local workforce development boards.  
To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2604** by Blanco

Relating to a seller's notice regarding the connection of water utilities to certain tracts of land.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2605** by Blanco

Relating to the formation of a municipal housing authority asset commission by certain municipal housing authorities.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2606** by Blanco

Relating to the franchise and insurance premium tax credit for the certified rehabilitation of certified historic structures.  
To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2607** by Blanco

Relating to the establishment of the Cross-Agency Employment Resource Initiative to coordinate and optimize certain employment services and resources in this state.  
To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2608** by Blanco

Relating to the eligibility of certain at-risk developments to receive low income housing tax credits.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2609** by Blanco

Relating to a process for determining the rating level of certain child-care facilities operated by providers participating in the Texas Rising Star Program.  
To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2610** by Blanco

Relating to civil liability of business entities in connection with a breach of system security.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2611** by West

Relating to the status of certain documents or instruments concerning real or personal property; creating the criminal offenses of real property theft and real property fraud and establishing a statute of limitations for those offenses; harmonizing other statute of limitations provisions; increasing a criminal penalty.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2612** by West

Relating to the revision of the essential knowledge and skills of the public school social studies curricula to include instruction relating to the history of persons with disabilities.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2613** by Creighton

Relating to the duties of tenured faculty at public institutions of higher education.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2614** by Creighton

Relating to certain requirements and penalties regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives at a medical and dental unit.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2615** by Creighton

Relating to restricting remote work by employees of public institutions of higher education.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2616** by Creighton

Relating to the review and evaluation of advanced placement and international baccalaureate courses offered in public schools in this state.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2617** by Creighton

Relating to a policy adopted by a school district or open-enrollment charter school regarding the expression of dates.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2618** by Creighton

Relating to an education savings account program.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2619** by Creighton

Relating to the board of trustees and superintendent of a school district, including the election of trustees of underperforming districts, and the hiring of a superintendent.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2620** by Creighton

Relating to the civil liability of certain businesses in connection with allowing concealed handguns on the business premises.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2621** by Nichols

Relating to the territory of the Angelina and Neches River Authority.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2622** by King

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to receive certain tax revenue derived from a hotel and convention center project and to pledge certain tax revenue for the payment of obligations related to the project.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2625** by Campbell, Paxton

Relating to the provision of an abortion-inducing drug.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2626** by Campbell, Paxton

Relating to ectopic pregnancies and continuing education for certain physicians and nurses regarding treatment of certain pregnancy-related conditions.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2627** by West

Relating to certain proceedings and penalties associated with racial discrimination against persons.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2628** by Blanco

Relating to the provision and evaluation of Medicaid reimbursement for dental services provided to certain Medicaid recipients.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2629** by Creighton

Relating to organization of, meetings of, and voting by condominium unit owners' associations and property owners' associations.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2630** by Creighton

Relating to prohibiting the foreclosure of a lien-free or mortgage-free residence homestead by a local taxing entity.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2631** by Creighton

Relating to the deferment of property taxes for certain individuals and the reduction of the eligible age for tax deferral.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2632** by Johnson

Relating to the disclosure of certain contracting information under the public information law.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2633** by Johnson

Relating to a local option election on the sale of alcoholic beverages in certain areas of a municipality and the local regulation of premises in those areas.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2634** by Johnson

Relating to the interconnection of electric vehicles to the ERCOT power grid.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2635** by Johnson

Relating to the name and governance of the Railroad Commission of Texas.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2636** by Johnson

Relating to the denial of certain applications for a permit or other authorization under the Texas Clean Air Act on the basis of certain adverse impacts.  
To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2637** by Johnson

Relating to disclosures about certain automated posts on social media platforms; providing a civil penalty.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2638** by Johnson

Relating to the misleading use of bot accounts; authorizing a civil penalty.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2639** by Bettencourt

Relating to the designation of a property as a historic landmark and the inclusion of a property in a historic district or similar preservation district by certain municipalities.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2640** by Sparks

Relating to waivers permitting non-certified drivers to operate in partnership with state-certified emergency medical personnel.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2641** by Sparks

Relating to the operation and management of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum by the Texas Historical Commission.  
To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2642** by Middleton, A. Hinojosa

Relating to authorized investments by governmental entities.  
To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2643** by Middleton

Relating to the inclusion of civics instruction in public school government curriculum requirements for high school students.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2644** by Middleton

Relating to the provision of funding under the public school finance system on the basis of property values that take into account optional homestead exemptions.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2645** by Middleton

Relating to volunteer firefighter compensation limits.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2646** by Middleton

Relating to requiring a voter to be affiliated with a political party to vote in that party's primary election or otherwise participate in that party's affairs; creating a criminal offense.  
To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2647** by Middleton

Relating to the accreditation of postsecondary educational institutions; authorizing fees.  
To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2648** by Hall

Relating to the identification of breeder deer.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2649** by Hall

Relating to the creation of a statewide Chronic Wasting Disease plan.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2650** by Hall

Relating to certain requirements for participation in the E-verify program; authorizing penalties.  
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2651** by Hall

Relating to the regulation of chronic wasting disease and the establishment of a pilot program to breed deer resistant to chronic wasting disease.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2652** by Hall

Relating to the regulation of deer breeding by the Parks and Wildlife Department.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2653** by Hall

Relating to the prohibition on water fluoridation; creating a penalty.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2654** by Hall

Relating to the ownership of deer in this state.  
To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2655** by Flores

Relating to the creation and operations of a health care provider participation program in certain counties.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2656** by Kolkhorst

Relating to including nursing school applications in a consolidated application service.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2657** by Perry

Relating to the inclusion of recycling or disposal provisions in certain lease agreements of wind or solar power facilities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2658** by Perry

Relating to an exemption from the requirement to obtain a permit from a groundwater conservation district for certain brackish groundwater wells.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2659** by Perry

Relating to recycling of certain renewable energy components; authorizing an administrative penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2660** by Perry

Relating to the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2661** by Perry

Relating to penalties in certain suits involving a groundwater conservation district; increasing a penalty.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2662** by Perry

Relating to the enforcement of drought contingency plans by water and sewer utilities and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2663** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the route designation for the issuance of a permit for the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles for certain routes in Hidalgo County.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2664** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the university advisory committee of and procedure for making awards by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2665** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the authority of a taxing unit to adopt an exemption or a tax rate that is contingent on voter approval of the adoption of a tax rate or the issuance of bonds by that taxing unit or another taxing unit.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2666** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the establishment of a grant program to allow the Nueces County Hospital District to recruit and retain certain medical professionals.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2667** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the reporting of private school educator misconduct; providing an administrative penalty; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2668** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to regulation of vehicle storage facilities and the approval and regulation by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles of Internet websites for the public sale of certain abandoned vehicles by vehicle storage facility operators.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2669** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the authority of a podiatrist to delegate certain podiatric medical acts to an advanced practice registered nurse.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2670** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to use certain tax revenue for hotel and convention center projects and certain qualified projects.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2671** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the establishment of the Texas geothermal energy production policy council.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2672** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the requirements for issuance of a supplemental bilingual education teaching certificate.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2673** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the expunction of arrest records and files by a statutory county court.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2674** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to health benefit plan coverage for certain biomarker testing.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2675** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the sale of park land owned by certain municipalities.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2676** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to Medicaid provider enrollment revalidation.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2677** by Perry

Relating to disclosures for certain commercial sales-based financing transactions and the registration of commercial sales-based financing brokers; authorizing a fee and providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2678** by Creighton

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

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2679** by Bettencourt

Relating to the funding of, contracting with, and employment for law enforcement agencies in certain counties.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2680** by Bettencourt

Relating to the public information law.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2681** by Bettencourt

Relating to the basis for a third-party challenge to a voter's registration.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2682** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to civil liability for online impersonation.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2683** by Hughes

Relating to prohibiting a public institution of higher education from providing benefits to a student organization that receives financial support from an entity of concern.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2684** by Creighton

Relating to a requirement that a bill for ad valorem taxes imposed by a taxing unit include certain information about bonds issued by the taxing unit.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2685** by Creighton

Relating to municipal and county consent for the creation of and inclusion of territory in certain political subdivisions.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2686** by Creighton

Relating to the compensation of and reimbursement of expenses of directors of the Conroe Municipal Management District No. 2.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2687** by Paxton

Relating to establishing the Child-Care Professional Pathway program.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2688** by Hancock

Relating to the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 281 in Blanco and Burnet Counties as the Muckleroy Memorial Highway.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2689** by Hancock

Relating to the development, promotion, and funding of certain recycling projects.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2690** by Hancock

Relating to solicitations for the retrieval of certain documents from the secretary of state; providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2691** by Hancock

Relating to grief instruction in public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2692** by Hancock

Relating to the eligibility of ratepayers to file an appeal regarding water, drainage, or sewer rates with the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2693** by Perry

Relating to the role of advocacy and support groups in the juvenile justice system.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2694** by Perry

Relating to the operation and dissolution of the Lubbock Reese Redevelopment Authority and to agreements between Texas Tech University and the authority.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2695** by Kolkhorst

Relating to education programs to enable certain students and advanced practice registered nurses to practice medicine in certain rural counties and physician delegation of certain medical acts to advanced practice registered nurses and physician assistants.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2696** by Campbell

Relating to the regulation of the performance of advanced cosmetic procedures; requiring an occupational license; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2697** by Blanco

Relating to the revival of a filing entity's corporate privileges and the reinstatement of the entity's certificate of formation following certain forfeitures under the Tax Code.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2698** by Blanco

Relating to access to and use of criminal history record information by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2699** by Blanco

Relating to motor fuel measuring, quality, and testing standards.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2700** by Hall

Relating to a study of title insurance rates in Texas and other states.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2701** by Creighton

Relating to rates established by municipalities for water or sewer service for certain entities.

To Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs.

**SB 2702** by Creighton

Relating to the licensing and regulation of persons who may repair or test backflow prevention assemblies.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2703** by Creighton

Relating to the authority of a municipality or county to regulate condominiums.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2704** by Creighton

Relating to the requirement that certain state employees conduct agency business only at the employee's regular place of employment.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2705** by Hagenbuch

Relating to fees for the issuance of certain specialty license plates and an exemption from vehicle registration for certain trailers, semitrailers, tractors, and implements of husbandry.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2706** by Hagenbuch

Relating to emergency detention by a paramedic of certain persons with mental illness for preliminary examination at a mental health facility.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2707** by Hagenbuch

Relating to certain oversize or overweight vehicle permit fees or surety requirements.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2708** by Hagenbuch

Relating to the right of an individual unlawfully present in the United States to commence a civil action.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2709** by Hagenbuch

Relating to permissible uses of the school safety allotment under the Foundation School Program.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2710** by Hagenbuch

Relating to including vehicles of certain prosecutors in the definition of authorized emergency vehicle.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2711** by Middleton

Relating to the public information law.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2712** by Middleton

Relating to the amount of a large risk that is exempt from certain property and casualty insurance policy form requirements.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2713** by Middleton

Relating to preventing discrimination in membership in a professional or trade association or organization.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2714** by Middleton

Relating to a prohibition on public institutions of higher education requiring students to enroll in certain courses to complete a certificate or degree program, using such courses to satisfy general education requirements, funding such courses using state appropriations, or requiring related faculty practices, and to freshman student orientation at those institutions.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2715** by Middleton

Relating to sexual abuse and assault prevention training for employees of amusement ride operators.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2716** by Middleton

Relating to procedures for challenging voter registration based on personal knowledge and publicly available records.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2717** by Menéndez

Relating to the creation of the Texas Energy Efficiency Council.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2718** by Menéndez

Relating to requiring that all vehicle registrations, including delinquent registrations, are for a 12-month period.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2719** by Perry

Relating to the lease of certain state property from the Department of State Health Services to Travis County.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2720** by Perry

Relating to the authority of the Department of State Health Services to lease certain real property.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2721** by Parker, Kolkhorst, Perry

Relating to the licensing and regulation of persons who provide services in relation to the deceased; creating a criminal offense and increasing the punishment for an existing criminal offense; expanding the application of a fee.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2723** by Cook

Relating to the repeal of the offense of homosexual conduct.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2724** by Cook

Relating to abolishing Confederate Heroes Day.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2725** by Cook, West, Zaffirini

Relating to the authority of a municipality to alter speed limits.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2726** by Cook, Menéndez

Relating to Holocaust Remembrance Week in public schools.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2727** by Cook, Alvarado

Relating to the regulation of abortion and related matters, including infant supportive palliative care and exceptions to and the repeal of certain laws prohibiting abortion.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2728** by Cook

Relating to the provision of certain information about Medicaid benefits in relation to newborn children.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2729** by Cook

Relating to Medicaid coverage and reimbursement for the treatment of obesity and certain diabetes prevention program services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2730** by Cook

Relating to the preliminary examination of a person transported to a general hospital's emergency department.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2731** by Cook

Relating to the qualifications for serving as a member of the board of directors of a municipal utility district.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2732** by Cook

Relating to public involvement procedures for the statewide transportation improvement program.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2733** by Cook

Relating to the election of certain participating entities to participate in the uniform group coverage program for active school employees.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2734** by Cook

Relating to consideration of education-related income in determining eligibility of applicants for residential tenancies.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2735** by Cook

Relating to the screening of, services for, and educational programs for children with visual impairments; authorizing an administrative penalty.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2736** by Cook

Relating to the requirement that the board of directors of certain tax increment reinvestment zones utilize the services of the legal department of the municipality that created the zone.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2737** by Cook

Relating to the requirement that the board of directors of certain tax increment reinvestment zones have conducted by the office of the city controller of the municipality that created the zone an annual financial audit.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2738** by Cook

Relating to high school deputy voter registrars.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2739** by Cook

Relating to unreasonable noise near a private residence.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2740** by Cook

Relating to the inclusion of additional printed languages for election materials in certain political subdivisions.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2741** by J. Hinojosa

Relating to the appointment of counsel for indigent defendants or juveniles in certain capital felony cases.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2742** by Hagenbuch

Relating to prohibiting electioneering and the unlawful use of public funds for political advertising, authorizing a civil penalty.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2743** by Hagenbuch

Relating to the prosecution of certain election offenses.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2744** by Paxton

Relating to the modernization of cardiovascular screening and prevention under the Texas Heart Attack Prevention Bill.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2745** by Paxton

Relating to a cost-of-living increase applicable to death benefits paid to spouses of first responders killed in the line of duty under the workers' compensation system.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2746** by Paxton

Relating to a study conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety on the waiting time to obtain certain driver's license services.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2747** by Paxton

Relating to limitations applicable to certain agreements providing for a rebate of municipal sales and use taxes or a grant or loan based on those taxes.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2748** by Hall

Relating to the diagnosis, maintenance, and repair of certain motor vehicles; providing a civil penalty.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2749** by Hall

Relating to the definition of abuse or neglect of a child.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2750** by Hall

Relating to the registration and inspection of vehicles.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2751** by Paxton

Relating to the inspection of residential and day placement facilities for special education students.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2752** by Blanco

Relating to the regulation of fantasy contests; requiring an occupational license; imposing an administrative penalty; authorizing fees; imposing a tax.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2753** by Hall

Relating to the time, place, and manner of voting, including abolishing early and absentee voting, providing for a voting period, and establishing voting centers; reestablishing criminal offenses and authorization for certain fees.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2754** by West

Relating to the inclusion of domestic violence prevention information on certain student identification cards issued by a public school.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2755** by Kolkhorst

Relating to damage liability for a collision with a motorist who failed to establish financial responsibility.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2756** by Cook

Relating to the release of an inmate on medically recommended intensive supervision.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2757** by Cook

Relating to the duration of a child's detention following a detention hearing and a study on the effects of detention orders in a juvenile court proceeding.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2758** by Cook

Relating to certain proceedings and supervision following certain adjudications occurring in a criminal case.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2759** by Cook

Relating to the authority of certain health care facilities to cooperate with officers engaged in immigration-related duties.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2760** by Cook

Relating to the eligibility for financial assistance of persons following certain drug-related convictions.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2761** by Cook

Relating to benefits provided to eligible survivors of certain public safety employees.

To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2762** by Cook

Relating to the sale of a manufactured home community.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2763** by Cook

Relating to the renewal of certain leases in manufactured home communities.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2764** by Cook

Relating to information provided to a purchaser of a manufactured home regarding the ability to elect to treat the home as real property or personal property.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2765** by Cook

Relating to the treatment of a manufactured home as real property.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2766** by Cook

Relating to public housing authorities.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2767** by Cook

Relating to public facility corporations.  
To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2768** by Cook, Eckhardt

Relating to certain health care services, increasing access to health care, and repealing or replacing medically unnecessary and outdated health care restrictions.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2769** by Cook

Relating to the prohibited exclusion of certain individuals requiring specialized care from inpatient mental health facilities.  
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2770** by Cook

Relating to equitable representation in decision making for transportation planning.  
To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2771** by King

Relating to the prosecution of the offense of aggravated assault.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2772** by Perry

Relating to the dissemination of juvenile justice information by the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.  
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2773** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the composition of the port commission of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County, Texas.  
To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2774** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the classification of certain entities as primarily engaged in retail trade for purposes of the franchise tax.  
To Committee on Finance.

**SB 2775** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the calculation of certain ad valorem tax rates of a taxing unit and the manner in which a proposed ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate is approved; making conforming changes.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2776** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the disclosure of certain information by the Texas Juvenile Justice Department.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2777** by Hall

Relating to a signed acknowledgment of the duties of a member of the Texas Lottery Commission.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2778** by A. Hinojosa

Relating to the amount of an expenditure that may be paid by an emergency services district employee without board approval.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2779** by Birdwell

Relating to the allocation and use of certain hotel occupancy tax revenues.

To Committee on Economic Development.

**SB 2780** by Birdwell

Relating to the recovery of a gas utility's gross plant placed in service not yet being recovered in rates.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2781** by Birdwell

Relating to the imposition of civil penalties for certain violations with respect to political contributions and expenditures made by certain persons who engage in lobbying activities.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2782** by Birdwell

Relating to discovery requirements related to sworn complaints made to the Texas Ethics Commission.

To Committee on State Affairs.

**SB 2783** by Birdwell

Relating to the authority of a property owners' association to regulate the display of certain flags.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2784** by Birdwell

Relating to the election of the board of directors of the Somervell County Hospital District.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SB 2785** by Birdwell

Relating to notification and disclosure of records and information concerning an investigation of a report of child abuse or neglect to county or district attorneys.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2786** by Creighton

Relating to the applicability of the Texas Success Initiative to certain public service officers and employees.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2787** by Menéndez

Relating to digital citizenship and media literacy instruction in public schools and a public school policy regarding Internet safety.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2788** by Menéndez

Relating to an exemption from the assessment requirements of the Texas Success Initiative for students who achieve certain scores on the PSAT.

To Committee on Education K-16.

**SB 2789** by Menéndez

Relating to the prosecution of and punishment for the criminal offense of invasive visual recording and the applicability of sex offender registration requirements to that offense; increasing a criminal penalty.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2790** by West

Relating to the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 67 in Dallas and Ellis Counties as the Eddie Bernice Johnson Memorial Highway.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2791** by West

Relating to electronic submission and delivery of public securities and records of proceedings for those securities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 2792** by West

Relating to harassment of hospital personnel while the person is on hospital property.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2793** by Paxton

Relating to the operation of a program by the Texas Department of Transportation to allow a real property owner to plant or replace vegetation in a right-of-way.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2794** by Paxton

Relating to the criminal offense of interference with child custody.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2795** by Eckhardt

Relating to the regulation of digital reporting by the Judicial Branch Certification Commission.

To Committee on Jurisprudence.

**SB 2796** by Hughes

Relating to the Cancer Prevention Research Institute's fiscal responsibilities to the state of Texas.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

**SB 2797** by Creighton

Relating to discovery requirements in a criminal case.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2798** by Creighton

Relating to certain statutes of limitations for criminal offenses, including the statute of limitations for certain fraud offenses.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

**SB 2799** by Creighton

Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for the offense of reckless driving.

To Committee on Transportation.

**SB 2800** by Hughes

Relating to the imposition of a fee for oil and gas waste that is not produced in this state.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

**SB 2967** by Schwertner

Relating to funding mechanisms to support the siting, development, construction, and deployment of advanced nuclear and innovative energy technologies in this state.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

**SB 3034** by Bettencourt

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 249 in Montgomery and Grimes Counties as the Doug Pitcock Aggie Expressway.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SJR 74** by Menéndez

Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide for a credit against the ad valorem taxes imposed on real property used for a grocery store or healthy corner store located in a food desert.

To Committee on Local Government.

**SJR 76** by Gutierrez

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation real property leased to certain local public entities for use as a hospital and related health care services.

To Committee on Local Government.

**CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 22**

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senators West and Zaffirini will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 22**.

**CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 27**

On motion of Senator Creighton, Senators Birdwell, Campbell, Hagenbuch, A. Hinojosa, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Parker, Perry, Schwertner, and West will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 27**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 137**

On motion of Senator Hall, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SB 137**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 208**

On motion of Senator West, Senator Gutierrez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 208**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 381**

On motion of Senator Middleton, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SB 381**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 720**

On motion of Senator Hall, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SB 720**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 756**

On motion of Senator Middleton, Senator Parker will be shown as Co-author of **SB 756**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 783**

On motion of Senator Menéndez, Senator Blanco will be shown as Co-author of **SB 783**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 879**

On motion of Senator Birdwell, Senator Blanco will be shown as Co-author of **SB 879**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 922**

On motion of Senator Hancock, Senator Campbell will be shown as Co-author of **SB 922**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 964**

On motion of Senator Hughes, Senator Flores will be shown as Co-author of **SB 964**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1098**

On motion of Senator Blanco, Senator Parker will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1098**.

**CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1238**

On motion of Senator Kolkhorst, Senators Johnson and Menéndez will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 1238**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1370**

On motion of Senator Parker, Senator Flores will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1370**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1706**

On motion of Senator A. Hinojosa, Senator Middleton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1706**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1741**

On motion of Senator Parker, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1741**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1993**

On motion of Senator Hall, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1993**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2039**

On motion of Senator Hancock, Senator Eckhardt will be shown as Co-author of **SB 2039**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2395**

On motion of Senator Creighton, Senator Hall will be shown as Co-author of **SB 2395**.

**CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 10**

On motion of Senator Hall, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SJR 10**.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Pursuant to a previously adopted motion, the Senate at 2:33 p.m. adjourned until 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 7, 2025.

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**APPENDIX**

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

April 3, 2025

CRIMINAL JUSTICE — **CSSB 1809, CSSB 1080, SB 745, SB 826, SB 989, SB 1320, SB 1437, SB 2320, SB 2289, CSSB 1171, CSSB 664, CSSB 1637**

FINANCE — **CSSJR 4, CSSB 2064, CSSB 868**

**BILLS ENGROSSED**

April 3, 2025

**SB 27, SB 29, SB 406, SB 689, SB 857, SB 879, SB 922, SB 1098, SB 1453,  
SB 1536, SB 1741, SB 2188, SB 2230**

**RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED**

April 3, 2025

**SR 358, SR 361, SR 362, SR 363, SR 364, SR 365, SR 366, SR 368**