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PROCEEDINGS

THIRTY-FIRST DAY

(Tuesday, March 28, 2017)

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Estes, Garcia, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

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

Pastor Gene Wolfenbarger, Joshua Baptist Church, Joshua, was introduced by Senator Birdwell and offered the invocation as follows:

Our heavenly Father, we come into Your presence today realizing Your love and deep concern for the people of Texas and these elected officials. Your word declares, Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. We recognize that You are completely holy, processing perfect knowledge, and the giver of divine wisdom. I ask for You, today, to bless the assembly with this wisdom to direct the affairs of this 85th legislative body. I thank You for the promise of eternal life to all who believe. I ask You these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

Senator Whitmire 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.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS POSTPONED

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

There was no objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Birdwell was recognized and introduced to the Senate a City of Ennis delegation and a group of students from the Joshua Christian Academy.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 456

Senator Rodríguez offered the following resolution:

SR 456, Commending the Texas Army National Guard on its commitment to pursuing energy efficiency and water conservation.

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The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Rodríguez was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Army National Guard delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY

Senator Menéndez was recognized and presented Dr. Jose Hinojosa of San Antonio as the Physician of the Day.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION 511

Senator Hughes offered the following resolution:

SR 511, Recognizing March 27 and 28, 2017, as Upshur County Days.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Hughes was recognized and introduced to the Senate an Upshur County delegation, accompanied by Gilmer City Manager Greg Hutson, Gilmer Police Chief Mark Case, County Commissioner Paula Gentry, and Gilmer Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Linda Koudelka.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Nelson was recognized and introduced to the Senate an American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network Day delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The President announced the signing of the following enrolled resolutions in the presence of the Senate: **HCR 66**, **HCR 69**.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The President at 11:27 a.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 1 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Nelson moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1, General Appropriations Bill.

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

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 1 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Nelson moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 1** 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

HOUSE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 - 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:

HCR 95

Dale

In memory of Richard "Mack" Machowicz of Pearland.

Respectfully,

/s/Robert Haney, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 32 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SCR 32** at this time on its second reading:

SCR 32, Urging Congress to provide sufficient federal funding for the construction of a storm surge barrier along the Texas coast.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 492 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator West and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 492** at this time on its second reading:

SB 492, Relating to procedures of a county tax assessor-collector for collection of dishonored checks and invoices; authorizing a fee.

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 492 ON THIRD READING

Senator West moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 492** 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.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5 ON THIRD READING

Senator Huffman moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 5** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

CSSB 5, Relating to requiring a voter to present proof of identification; providing a criminal penalty.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Estes, Hall, Hancock, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin.

Nays: Garcia, Hinojosa, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 21, Nays 10. (Same as previous roll call)

REASON FOR VOTE

Senator Rodríguez submitted the following reason for vote on **SB 5**:

I submit this statement to explain my vote against Senate Bill 5.

There is no hallmark more intrinsic to democracy than ensuring all citizens have equal access to the ballot. However, our state's history is riddled with examples of voter suppression and infringement of the voting rights of African American and Latino voters.

Unfortunately, the legacy of voter suppression was further marred by the passage of Senate Bill 14 in the 2011 session. With the passage of S.B. 14, Texas had the most restrictive voter identification requirements in the nation. We should never have passed that law, and we should have fixed it in subsequent sessions after multiple federal courts continued to find S.B. 14 violated the Voting Rights Act and the U.S. Constitution.

After years of litigation and appeals, the federal court finally issued an interim court remedy creating the necessary safeguards to protect the voting rights of all Texans. I am glad that we are codifying some of the safeguards put in place by the court. There is no question that S.B. 5 is a marked improvement over S.B. 14. One of the safeguards and improvements to S.B. 14 includes a provision expanding access to the free Election Identification Certificate through mobile units.

The most significant improvement relates to the addition of acceptable forms of ID that may be used to vote, if a voter signs a declaration stating that he or she does not possess an acceptable form of photo ID due to a reasonable impediment. The additional documents are the same as those allowed by the interim court order for the November 2016 election: a voter registration card; certified birth certificate; current utility bill; bank statement; government check, paycheck, or any other government document that displays the voter's name and address.

Unfortunately, S.B. 5 went beyond codifying the interim court order. For instance, an expired identification up to four years was acceptable under the court order, but S.B. 5 limits it to two year expired identification, which is a reasonable compromise given that current law allows only 60 days. Another reasonable compromise that would have improved the bill would have been to allow student identification issued by public schools and institutions of higher education at least as an alternative form of identification coupled with the reasonable impediment declaration. In fact, a number of additional identification documents could be added including Native American Tribal Cards and State Employee Identification Cards.

However, the bill truly crossed the line into the realm of voter suppression by creating a third degree felony punishable by two to ten years in prison for intentionally making a false statement on the reasonable impediment declaration. This severe penalty is not tied to illegal voting or any type of voter fraud. The felony penalty is for falsely marking the wrong box that explains your impediment for not having a preferred photo ID. Under current law, a false representation on the form is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor. This leaves me to believe the only reason for this disproportionate additional crime is to intimidate eligible voters from utilizing the declaration in order to vote with an alternative identification. If this provision remains, the Secretary of State, counties, non-profits and other civic-minded organizations will be forced to warn eligible voters that if they use the declaration of impediment and mark the wrong box, the voter could be subjected to a felony. I believe this provision undermines the safeguards that the interim court ordered remedy put in place. I hope this provision is modified before final passage, so that we can truly feel confident that our election laws are providing equal access to the ballot.

RODRÍGUEZ

SENATE BILL 27 ON SECOND READING

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

SB 27, Relating to the mental health program for veterans.

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 27 ON THIRD READING

Senator Campbell moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 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.

(Senator Perry in Chair)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE**SENATE BILL 578 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Lucio and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 578** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 578, Relating to the creation by the Health and Human Services Commission of a veteran suicide prevention action plan.

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 578 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Lucio moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 578** 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.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE**SENATE BILL 407 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Watson moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 407** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 407, Relating to the exception from disclosure under the public information law for information related to competition or bidding.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Creighton and Taylor of Galveston 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: Creighton, Taylor of Galveston.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 407 ON THIRD READING

Senator Watson moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 407** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Estes, Garcia, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Creighton, Taylor of Galveston.

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

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

On motion of Senator Huffines and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senators Watson and Huffines regarding **CSSB 407** were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

Senator Huffines: Thank you, Senator Watson. Senator, as you know, I share your concerns about the way this exception to the Public Information Act has been used. I actually had a couple of bills drafted that I did not end up filing because SB 407 covers most of what I was trying to address. But I just wanted to confirm some of your understanding as well. First, is it your intent and understanding that Subsection (c) of SB 407 would apply to intergovernmental contracts and bids, as well as public-private sector contracts?

Senator Watson: The answer to that question is yes, but before I get any more detailed in the answer, let me thank you for being a Co-author of this bill. You signed on very early. And, Senator, the answer to your question is yes, Subsection (c) isn't limited to any one type of contract. So, I think both types will be covered, and that is certainly my intent.

Senator Huffines: Okay. So, if a school district enters into a contract at the city, once that contract is final, the school district and the city can't use this exception to keep that contract secret.

Senator Watson: Correct, Senator.

Senator Huffines: Excellent, great. Okay, the second thing I want to ask you about is the references in your bill to Government Code, Section 552.305. What does SB 407 change about that section, Senator?

Senator Watson: Well, that section, it's 552.305, allows a governmental body to withhold requested information in certain circumstances in order to protect a third party's interest. My bill, Senate Bill 407, makes it clear that a governmental body can't do this with the competition or bidding exception. And, Senator, the reason for this is very simple. The competition or bidding exception was always meant to protect the governmental body's interest in a very narrow set of circumstances when it's receiving bids or offers for work. Meanwhile, there are different exceptions in the Public Information Act, including the trade secrets exception, in Section 552.110, and those were always the ones that were there meant to protect third parties. So, what we've done is by clarifying the governmental body can't withhold requested information to protect a third party's interest under the competition or bidding exception, we're clarifying the separate functions of these different sections. One protects a governmental body's interest and the others protect third parties' interests.

Senator Huffines: Okay, thank you, Senator. And, finally, I wanted to ask you about a governmental body's responsibilities under this bill. Even when the exception applies, can the governmental body waive the exception and release the information?

Senator Watson: Yeah, that's a very good question. And, yes, the answer is yes, they can. This particular exception, the way it's drafted, is a discretionary exception, meaning that if the governmental body thinks it's appropriate, the governmental body can release the information even if it were to be covered by the exception.

Senator Huffines: Okay, and what if the governmental body doesn't raise this exception within the time limits of the Act?

Senator Watson: Well, the AG's office, the Attorney General's office will tell them, you've lost the chance. You can't raise it, you can't raise it, and any covered information has to be released unless there's another compelling reason to withhold it. Because this is a discretionary exception, as we just talked about, it doesn't qualify as a compelling reason that can be raised after the deadlines have passed, because it's discretionary. They can make the decision they don't want to do it. And, and working with the Attorney General's office, and we worked very closely with the Attorney General's office on this bill and on 408, it's the Attorney General's long-standing practice, and I think it's clear from the Act that this is what was intended. I do have a separate bill. It's Senate Bill 1655, which would make it even more explicit in the Act, and I'll look forward to working with you to pass that one, too.

Senator Huffines: Well, thank you very much, Senator Watson, for bringing this very important legislation to the floor.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 115 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Huffines and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 115** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 115, Relating to the Internet broadcast of certain open meetings.

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 115 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Huffines moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 115** 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.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 408 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Watson moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 408** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 408, Relating to the definition of a governmental body for the purposes of the public information law.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Creighton, Huffman, and Taylor of Galveston asked to be recorded as voting "Nay" on suspension of the regular order of business.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Watson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 408** by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Section 552.002, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) Information maintained by a governmental body described by Section 552.003(1)(A)(xii) is public information and subject to this chapter only to the extent the information relates to the part, section, or portion of an entity that receives or spends public funds or uses real or personal property owned or leased by the state or a political subdivision of the state as established in Section 552.003(1)(A)(xii)(a), (b), or (c).

SECTION 2. Section 552.003(1), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Governmental body":

(A) means:

(i) a board, commission, department, committee, institution, agency, or office that is within or is created by the executive or legislative branch of state government and that is directed by one or more elected or appointed members;

(ii) a county commissioners court in the state;

(iii) a municipal governing body in the state;

(iv) a deliberative body that has rulemaking or quasi-judicial power and that is classified as a department, agency, or political subdivision of a county or municipality;

(v) a school district board of trustees;

(vi) a county board of school trustees;

(vii) a county board of education;

(viii) the governing board of a special district;

(ix) the governing body of a nonprofit corporation organized under Chapter 67, Water Code, that provides a water supply or wastewater service, or both, and is exempt from ad valorem taxation under Section 11.30, Tax Code;

(x) a local workforce development board created under Section 2308.253;

(xi) a nonprofit corporation that is eligible to receive funds under the federal community services block grant program and that is authorized by this state to serve a geographic area of the state; and

(xii) the part, section, or portion of an organization, corporation, commission, committee, institution, or agency that:

(a) receives or spends public funds, if the receipt or expenditure does not impose a specific and definite obligation on the entity to provide a measurable amount of goods, services, benefits, or insurance in exchange for the public funds as would be expected in an arms-length transaction or quid pro quo agreement for goods, services, benefits, or insurance between a vendor and purchaser;

(b) receives or spends ~~or that is supported in whole or in part by~~ public funds under an agreement to provide a traditional governmental service, which does not include a utility service, that the state or the political subdivision providing the funds will not provide under the agreement; or

(c) uses real or personal property owned or leased by the state or a political subdivision of the state that is not generally available to the public under an agreement that provides for no or nominal consideration in return for the use; and

(B) does not include the judiciary.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a request for public information received on or after the effective date of this Act. A request for public information received before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the request was received, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

The amendment to **CSSB 408** 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.

CSSB 408 as amended 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: Creighton, Huffman, Taylor of Galveston.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 408 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Watson moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 408** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Estes, Garcia, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffines, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Creighton, Huffman, Taylor of Galveston.

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

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

On motion of Senator Taylor of Collin and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senators Watson and Taylor of Collin regarding **CSSB 408** were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

Senator Taylor of Collin: Senator Watson, really appreciate you bringing this to the floor and wanted to make sure that, wanted to expand on what Senator Burton and you were talking about in regards to affecting private schools.

Senator Watson: Okay. And, by the way, thank you for signing on to this bill very early on.

Senator Taylor of Collin: I was proud to do it. So, if education savings account pass in Texas, will this bill affect those private schools?

Senator Watson: It, it should not. This, this bill is not meant to affect private schools.

Senator Taylor of Collin: Okay, thank you. It's my understanding that, that in an education savings account, a percentage of what the state would pay for a child to attend a priv- public school will be given to the parent of the child as an online payment to use for tuition and fees in a private school. This payment is made directly to the parent not to the school.

Senator Watson: And that's the reason I gave the answer I gave. In, in previous answer to Senator Burton, that's the other thing I pointed out. A grant or payment to an individual would not subject the, the school to the Public Information Act.

Senator Taylor of Collin: To go, uhm, in, in, in just to complete this thought, I mean, so the Texas education grant program, right, where Texas tax dollars go to private universities in the form of scholarships, it does not make them subject—

Senator Watson: Those actually go to the students via the colleges.

Senator Taylor of Collin: —so the student would not be subject to the Public, Public Information Act.

Senator Watson: The student, that's what I'm saying is the, the difference between private entities where you're giving a grant or a stipend, that doesn't subject the institution to the Public Information Act because it's going to an individual.

Senator Taylor of Collin: Okay, I appreciate that.

SENATE BILL 945 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Bettencourt and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 945** at this time on its second reading:

SB 945, Relating to the authority of the chief appraiser of an appraisal district to correct an ad valorem tax appraisal roll.

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 945 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 945** 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.

(Senator Hancock in Chair)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SENATE BILL 259 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Huffines and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 259** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 259, Relating to jury summons questionnaires.

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 259 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Huffines moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 259** 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 1033 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Perry and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 1033** at this time on its second reading:

SB 1033, Relating to authorization for the conveyance of certain real property from Texas Tech University to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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 1033 ON THIRD READING

Senator Perry moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 1033** 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 550 ON SECOND READING

Senator Campbell moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 550** at this time on its second reading:

SB 550, Relating to the sale or assignment of tax credits for the certified rehabilitation of certified historic structures.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Burton and Taylor of Collin 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: Burton, Taylor of Collin.

SENATE BILL 550 ON THIRD READING

Senator Campbell moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 550** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Estes, Garcia, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Burton, Taylor of Collin.

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

SENATE BILL 330 ON SECOND READING

Senator Rodríguez moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 330** at this time on its second reading:

SB 330, Relating to the qualification of land for appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes as qualified open-space land.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 23, Nays 8.

Yeas: Birdwell, Buckingham, Estes, Garcia, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Huffines, Schwertner, Taylor of Collin.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Rodríguez offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 330** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 23.51(1) (C), Tax Code (page 1, line 56), by striking "or managed".

The amendment to **SB 330** 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.

SB 330 as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 23, Nays 8.

Yeas: Birdwell, Buckingham, Estes, Garcia, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Huffines, Schwertner, Taylor of Collin.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 23 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Schwertner moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 23** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

CSSB 23, Relating to requiring state contractors to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Estes, Hall, Hancock, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin, West.

Nays: Garcia, Hinojosa, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Uresti, Watson, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

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

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 22 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 22** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 22, Relating to the establishment of a Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) program and to the repeal of the tech-prep program.

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 22 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Taylor of Galveston moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 22** 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.

(Senator Taylor of Galveston in Chair)

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 507 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Hancock moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 507** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 507, Relating to mediation of the settlement of certain out-of-network health benefit claims involving balance billing.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Campbell and Hall 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: Campbell, Hall.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 507 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 **CSSB 507** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Creighton, Estes, Garcia, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Campbell, Hall.

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

(President in Chair)

SESSION TO CONSIDER EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

The President announced the time had arrived to consider executive appointments to agencies, boards, and commissions. Notice of submission of these names for consideration was given yesterday by Senator Birdwell.

Senator Birdwell moved confirmation of the nominees reported yesterday by the Committee on Nominations.

The President asked if there were requests to sever nominees.

Senator Watson requested that the following nominees be severed:

Members, Finance Commission of Texas: Robert Ivan Borochoff, Harris County; Hector J. Cerna, Maverick County; Margaret Mary Curl, Dallas County; Phillip Andrew Holt, Fannin County, Matthew Christopher Moore, Randall County; Vincent Edward Puente, Tarrant County.

The request was granted.

NOMINEES CONFIRMED

The following nominees, not severed and reported yesterday by the Committee on Nominations, were confirmed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Members, State Board of Dental Examiners: Renee Susanne Cornett, Travis County; Diane Milliken Garza, Cameron County; Bryan Neal Henderson, Dallas County; Jorge E. Quirch, Fort Bend County; Michael D. Tillman, Parker County; Richard Dietrich Villa, Hays County.

Member, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality: Jonathan Karl Niermann, Travis County.

Member, Texas Racing Commission: Margaret L. Martin, Kendall County.

NOMINEES CONFIRMED

The following severed nominees, reported yesterday by the Committee on Nominations, were confirmed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0, Present-not voting 1.

Present-not voting: Watson.

Members, Finance Commission of Texas: Robert Ivan Borochoff, Harris County; Hector J. Cerna, Maverick County; Margaret Mary Curl, Dallas County; Phillip Andrew Holt, Fannin County; Matthew Christopher Moore, Randall County; Vincent Edward Puente, Tarrant County.

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 Business and Commerce might meet today in the Betty King Committee Room at 4:00 p.m.

SENATE RULE 11.13 SUSPENDED

(Consideration of Bills in Committees)

(Motion In Writing)

Senator Kolkhorst submitted the following Motion In Writing:

I move suspension of Senate Rule 11.13 to permit committees to meet during the reading and referral of bills.

KOLKHORST

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED

At the request of Senator Creighton, the Senate observed a moment of silence for Representative Mark Keough, who was injured today in an auto accident.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the Senate at 3:37 p.m. agreed to adjourn, upon completion of the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading, until 12:00 p.m. tomorrow.

(Senator Taylor of Galveston in Chair)**SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING**

The following bills, filed on or before Friday, March 10, 2017, were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

SB 2041 by Zaffirini

Relating to a human papillomavirus immunization report.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2042 by Zaffirini

Relating to the administration of a medication, immunization, or vaccination by a pharmacist.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2043 by Bettencourt

Relating to the number of days that certain tangible personal property that is exempt from ad valorem taxation due to its location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state for the purpose of qualifying for the tax exemption.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2044 by Bettencourt

Relating to the use of tax proceeds for lobbying activities or lobbyists.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2045 by Bettencourt

Relating to the reporting by local governmental entities of expenditures for lobbying.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2046 by Bettencourt

Relating to voting by the qualified voters of a water or sewer district wholly or partly annexed by a municipality.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 2047 by Bettencourt

Relating to the creation, territory, and operation of municipal management districts and public improvement districts.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 2048 by Bettencourt

Relating to the student loan program administered by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and to the repeal of a related bond program.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2049 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to the adoption and administration of certain assessment instruments in primary and secondary education.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2050 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to staff development and continuing education requirements for public school educators regarding digital education methods.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2051 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to evaluating public school performance.
To Committee on Education.

SB 2052 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to the first day of the school year for public schools.
To Committee on Education.

SB 2053 by West

Relating to the distribution of the consolidated court cost.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2054 by West

Relating to the offense of possessing a weapon in a secured area of an airport.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2055 by West

Relating to the sales and use tax exemption for the repair, remodeling, or maintenance of aircraft.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 2056 by Perry

Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue by certain municipalities.
To Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

SB 2057 by Perry

Relating to the creation, administration, and funding of a state infrastructure endowment fund outside of the state treasury.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 2058 by Estes

Relating to criminal history record information obtained by the savings and mortgage lending commissioner.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2059 by Campbell

Relating to the determination of resident status of students by public institutions of higher education.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2060 by Campbell

Relating to compensation and restitution to crime victims and the disposition of unclaimed restitution payments; providing for an administrative penalty.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2061 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the correction of an ad valorem tax appraisal roll.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 2062 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the membership of the Texas Funeral Service Commission.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2063 by Kolkhorst

Relating to eligibility for designation as and to accountability for districts of innovation.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2064 by Hancock

Relating to unconscionable prices charged by certain health care facilities for medical care.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2065 by Hancock

Relating to the licensing and regulation of certain occupations and activities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2066 by Hancock

Relating to the attachment of a hospital lien on a cause of action or claim of an injured person who receives hospital services.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2067 by Hancock

Relating to the financial exploitation of certain vulnerable adults.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2068 by Buckingham

Relating to the plugging or capping of abandoned, deteriorated, open, or uncovered water wells in the Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District.

To Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs.

SB 2069 by Buckingham

Relating to the management and operation of certain municipally owned electric utilities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2070 by Buckingham

Relating to limitations on the use of municipal electric utility system revenues by certain municipalities.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2071 by Lucio

Relating to the first day of instruction for an open-enrollment charter school.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2072 by Lucio

Relating to the appeal to the commissioner of education of certain actions or decisions of an open-enrollment charter school governing body.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2073 by Rodríguez

Relating to a mechanic's or materialman's lien for retained funds under certain construction contracts.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2074 by Rodríguez

Relating to examination requirements for certain applicants for a license to practice medicine.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2075 by Rodríguez

Relating to vehicle registration.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2076 by Rodríguez

Relating to the titling of motor vehicles; creating a criminal offense and authorizing fees.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2077 by Zaffirini

Relating to the provision of protective services and the conduct of certain investigations through the adult protective services program of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2078 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to the duties of school districts, open-enrollment charter schools, and the Texas Education Agency regarding multihazard emergency operations plans and other school safety measures.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2079 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to a requirement that a student's postsecondary transcript include the average or median grade awarded in each class.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2080 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to a requirement that school districts and open-enrollment charter schools report certain information regarding children with disabilities who reside in residential facilities.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2081 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to information regarding the number of public school students receiving certain special education services.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2082 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to the work-study student mentorship program administered by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2083 by Seliger

Relating to the sale of beer and ale by the holders of Manufacturer's Licenses and Brewer's permits.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2084 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to attendance of public school students in blended learning programs and attendance through the state virtual school network.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2085 by West

Relating to certain identifying information regarding career school or college students.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2086 by West

Relating to measures to facilitate the transfer of students and course credit within the public higher education system.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2087 by Hancock

Relating to the creation of a temporary health insurance risk pool.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2088 by Perry

Relating to the reimbursement of rural hospitals in the Texas Medicaid program.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2089 by West

Relating to calculation of average daily attendance for school districts providing certain full-day prekindergarten programs.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2090 by Hall

Relating to procedures for uniform procedures for conducting an election.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2091 by Hall

Relating to an election authorizing the issuance of bonds or an increase in taxes by a political subdivision.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2092 by Hall

Relating to the process for review after a decision to terminate a teacher's contract or suspend a teacher without pay.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2093 by Hall

Relating to the regulation of motor vehicle dealers, manufacturers, and distributors.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2094 by Hall, Perry

Relating to establishment of the immigration authority delegation training grant program for local law enforcement agencies.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2095 by Hall

Relating to regulation of steroid use by students participating in athletic competitions sponsored or sanctioned by the University Interscholastic League.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2096 by Hall

Relating to the regulation of the conduct of certain counseling professions.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2097 by Hall

Relating to the use of gold and silver coins and bullion.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2098 by Hall

Relating to requirements for underground facility damage prevention and safety.

To Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

SB 2099 by Hall

Relating to the authority of the Railroad Commission of Texas to enforce requirements for the prevention of damage to interstate and intrastate underground facilities.

To Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

SB 2100 by Garcia

Relating to a study of the fees charged by the Railroad Commission of Texas.

To Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

SB 2101 by Garcia

Relating to the inspection, maintenance, and repair of guardrails by the Texas Department of Transportation.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2102 by Garcia

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to lower speed limits on certain highways.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2103 by Garcia

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to alter prima facie speed limits.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2104 by Uresti

Relating to a study on the feasibility of using the statewide system of health care data collection to create a public database of charges billed by health care providers.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2105 by Miles

Relating to the requirement that the Texas Workforce Commission provide certain employment information for secondary school students.

To Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

SB 2106 by Menéndez

Relating to authorizing a fee for certain pretrial intervention programs.
To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2107 by Menéndez

Relating to the requirements for the issuance of identification documentation for foster care youth.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2108 by Menéndez

Relating to registration and regulation of real-time captioning providers; imposing a civil penalty; authorizing fees.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2109 by Menéndez

Relating to a requirement that each public institution of higher education develop and implement a strategic plan for the prevention of sexual assault and unplanned pregnancy.
To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2110 by Menéndez

Relating to the composition of the Port Authority Advisory Committee.
To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2111 by Menéndez

Relating to creating an offense for the administration of illegal drugs to breeder deer.
To Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs.

SB 2112 by Lucio

Relating to creating a single countywide school district in certain counties.
To Committee on Education.

SB 2113 by Lucio

Relating to requiring the Texas Education Agency to conduct a study regarding school district consolidation in Cameron County.
To Committee on Education.

SB 2114 by Campbell

Relating to certain duties of a parent or guardian regarding information in reports prepared by the Department of Family and Protective Services in adoption cases.
To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2115 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to the regulation of motor vehicle towing and booting.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2116 by Seliger

Relating to a revision of rules applicable to hospital construction by the Department of State Health Services.
To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2117 by Seliger

Relating to the creation and operations of a health care provider participation program by the City of Amarillo Hospital District.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 2118 by Seliger

Relating to authorization by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for certain public junior colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2119 by Seliger, Creighton

Relating to eliminating the automatic admission of students to certain public institutions of higher education and scholarships for certain students who qualify for automatic admission.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2120 by Seliger

Relating to the continuation of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

To Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

SB 2121 by Seliger

Relating to a defense against a libel claim based on the claimant's status as a public official or public figure.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2122 by West

Relating to authorization by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to develop and implement transfer policy for lower division courses among Texas public institutions of higher education.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2123 by Zaffirini

Relating to the creation of a pilot program to allow high schools in certain counties to connect to high-speed fiber-optic networks.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2124 by Perry

Relating to a pilot program for assisting certain recipients of public benefits with gaining self-sufficiency.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2125 by Zaffirini

Relating to the period for which a defendant with an intellectual disability who is found incompetent to stand trial may be civilly committed before the court holds a hearing to determine whether the defendant's release is appropriate.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2126 by Zaffirini

Relating to the development of a quality-based outcome measure for the child health plan program and Medicaid regarding certain persons with HIV.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2127 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to limitations on reporting of certain consumer credit information.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2128 by Nelson

Relating to the Health and Human Services Commission's procurement and oversight of managed care organization contracts serving individuals in Texas Medicaid with serious mental illness.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2129 by Nelson

Relating to the establishment of a program for marketing, promotion, research, and education efforts regarding Texas wine; authorizing assessments.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2130 by West

Relating to an application for a charter for an open-enrollment charter school and to the expansion of an open-enrollment charter school.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2131 by West

Relating to requirements for providing postsecondary education counseling to high school students.

To Committee on Education.

SB 2132 by Lucio

Relating to certain identifying information regarding career school or college students.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SB 2133 by Lucio

Relating to the political activities of certain county elections administrators.

To Committee on State Affairs.

SB 2134 by Lucio

Relating to a plan to increase the use of telemedicine medical services and telehealth services in this state.

To Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 2135 by Lucio

Relating to services provided to veterans who have been arrested for a misdemeanor or felony offense.

To Committee on Criminal Justice.

SB 2136 by Lucio

Relating to the establishment of a matching grant program for community development in certain municipalities and counties.

To Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs.

SB 2137 by Lucio

Relating to a fee associated with a required inspection of a motor vehicle for certain title transfers; authorizing a fee.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2138 by Lucio

Relating to the establishment of a pilot program for the issuance of digital driver's licenses.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2139 by Lucio

Relating to the creation of regional transit authorities; granting the power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds and charge fees; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on Transportation.

SB 2140 by Lucio, Hinojosa, Perry

Relating to the provision by the Texas Water Development Board of financial assistance for the development of certain projects in economically distressed areas.

To Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

HB 4 To Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 5 To Committee on Health and Human Services.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 22

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston, Senator Garcia will be shown as Co-author of **SB 22**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 27

On motion of Senator Campbell, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 27**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 115

On motion of Senator Huffines, Senator Kolkhorst will be shown as Co-author of **SB 115**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 179

On motion of Senator Menéndez, Senators Lucio and Watson will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 179**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 325

On motion of Senator Burton, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 325**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 578

On motion of Senator Lucio, Senators Menéndez, West, and Zaffirini will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 578**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 737

On motion of Senator Hancock, Senator Bettencourt will be shown as Co-author of **SB 737**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1031

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1031**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1066

On motion of Senator Schwertner, Senator Kolkhorst will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1066**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2123

On motion of Senator Zaffirini, Senator Hinojosa will be shown as Co-author of **SB 2123**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 32

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston, Senators Creighton, Garcia, and Zaffirini will be shown as Co-authors of **SCR 32**.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Welcome and Congratulatory Resolutions

SR 512 by Watson, Recognizing Joe Henry Morin on the occasion of his retirement.

SR 513 by Nelson, Welcoming the first class of Regional Advantage–Leadership Northwest Metroport to the Capitol.

SR 514 by Hughes, Recognizing William Terry on the occasion of his 95th birthday.

SR 517 by Schwertner, Recognizing Don and Cathy Truxillo on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to a previously adopted motion, the Senate at 3:59 p.m. adjourned until 12:00 p.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

March 28, 2017

HIGHER EDUCATION — **CSSB 19, CSSB 543**

STATE AFFAIRS — **SB 667, SB 944, SB 1096, SB 416, SB 498, SB 528**

BILLS ENGROSSED

March 27, 2017

SB 16, SB 20, SB 594, SB 629, SB 717, SB 730

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

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**SR 296, SR 466, SR 484, SR 492, SR 493, SR 494, SR 495, SR 496, SR 497,
SR 498, SR 499, SR 500, SR 501, SR 502, SR 503, SR 504, SR 505, SR 506,
SR 507, SR 508, SR 509, SR 510**

