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THIRTY-FIFTH DAY

(Tuesday, April 4, 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.

Bishop Brendan Cahill, Catholic Diocese of Victoria, offered the invocation as follows:

Acknowledging God as our creator and source of every right and blessing, let us call upon the Holy Spirit of God to enlighten us this day with a prayer from Saint Augustine: Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. 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.

PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY

Senator Campbell was recognized and presented Dr. Mitchell Finnie of San Antonio as the Physician of the Day.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION 569

Senator Schwertner offered the following resolution:

SR 569, Commending Chuck Norris for his contributions to our state.

The resolution was read and was adopted by a *viva voce* vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of the resolution.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Schwertner was recognized and introduced to the Senate delegations from Kickstart Kids and CForce Bottling Company, accompanied by Chuck Norris and his wife, Gena O'Kelley.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

(Senator Hancock in Chair)

SENATE RESOLUTION 566

Senators Bettencourt and Lucio offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in welcoming a visiting delegation of 4,000 Catholics and their Bishops from the 15 Roman Catholic Dioceses of Texas and in saluting the Catholic Ministries of Texas for their service to Texans of all walks of life, especially the most vulnerable in our state; and

WHEREAS, The Catholic Bishops of Texas shepherd and serve the 8.4 million Catholics in the 15 Dioceses of Texas by providing nourishment for their body, soul, and spirit and tirelessly advocating for the common good; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Respect Life programs offer services to women facing crisis pregnancies, save the lives of thousands of new Texans every year, and provide ongoing assistance for these families; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities ministries, present in more than 20 locations in Texas, as well as hundreds of parish-based social ministries, including the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, extend to persons of all races, religions, and socioeconomic backgrounds the healing power of faith, as well as tangible assistance, with the goal of helping them reach self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, Catholic schools, which emphasize moral development, service to others, stewardship, and leadership skills, are a valuable source of education, grounded in faith, for over 70,000 Texas students; and

WHEREAS, Catholic religious education programs provide religious instruction and formation to more than 384,000 Catholic children and their parents and families, and they teach Catholics to reflect upon the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Family Life Ministries provide marriage preparation and education to engaged couples, support marriage enrichment programs, and provide support for families throughout Texas in order to strengthen and nurture their relationships; and

WHEREAS, Catholic chaplains provide pastoral care and reaffirm the dignity of those who are incarcerated in our prisons and jails; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby extend a warm welcome to the members of the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops delegation on the occasion of Catholic Faith in Action Advocacy Day at the State Capitol and commend all those associated with these ministries for their ongoing efforts to promote the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death and for providing valuable services throughout our state, especially to the most vulnerable; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

LUCIO	MENÉNDEZ
BETTENCOURT	SCHWERTNER
HINOJOSA	URESTI
HUFFINES	ZAFFIRINI
HUFFMAN	

SR 566 was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senators Bettencourt and Lucio, joined by Senators Huffines, Zaffirini, and Kolkhorst, were recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops delegation, joined by Bishops Edward Burns, Dallas; Daniel Flores, Brownsville; Joseph Strickland, Tyler; Brendan Cahill, Victoria; and James Tamayo, Laredo.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 563

Senator West offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize women judges from across the state and to welcome them to Austin on April 4, 2017, on the occasion of Texas Women Judges' Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Women judges in Texas have a storied history dating back to 1925, when Governor Pat Neff appointed Hortense Sparks Ward, Hattie Leah Henenberg, and Ruth Virginia Brazzil to serve as Texas Supreme Court justices for a case from which all of the existing judges on the court had recused themselves; and

WHEREAS, The case involved a fraternal organization that had so many prominent members that no qualified male judges or attorneys could be found who did not have a conflict of interest; the women appointed to serve on the supreme court were all well-established attorneys, and these pioneering women formed the first court in the nation composed entirely of women; and

WHEREAS, The first woman to hold a permanent position on a Texas bench was Sarah Tilghman Hughes, a highly esteemed state representative who was appointed to the 14th District Court in Dallas by Governor James Allred in 1935; Judge Hughes went on to win election to the seat for a full term and was reelected for six more terms; in 1961, she became the first woman to serve as a federal district judge in Texas; and

WHEREAS, Since that time, numerous women have served with distinction on the Texas Supreme Court and on the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals; and

WHEREAS, Today, more than 1,300 women preside over courts throughout the state; they exemplify the highest standards of judicial conduct, and their dedication to public service is truly an inspiration to us all; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend the women judges of Texas for their service and their commitment to equal justice under the law and extend to them best wishes for a memorable Texas Women Judges' Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

WEST
HUFFMAN
ZAFFIRINI

SR 563 was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator West, joined by Senators Lucio, Menéndez, Huffman, Zaffirini, Uresti, Hinojosa, and Garcia, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Women Judges' Day delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Nichols, joined by Senators Hinojosa, Rodríguez, Huffines, and West, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Department of Transportation centennial celebration delegation, accompanied by Chair Tryon D. Lewis, Executive Director James Bass, District Engineer Dennis Cooley, Deputy District Engineer Eliza Paul, and longest-serving employee Leonard Iselt.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator West was recognized and introduced to the Senate Southwestern Christian College students.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Garcia was recognized and introduced to the Senate high school students from Raul Yzaguirre School for Success.

Senator Garcia also introduced a Hill Country Texas Democratic Women delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 487

Senator Seliger offered the following resolution:

SR 487, Recognizing April 4, 2017, as Texas Realtor Appreciation Day.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Seliger, joined by Senators Menéndez and Campbell, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Association of Realtors delegation, accompanied by Chair Vicki Fullerton, Vice-chair Kaki Lybbert, Secretary/Treasurer Tray Bates, Immediate Past Chair Leslie Rouda Smith, Secretary/Treasurer-elect Cindi Bulla, and CEO Travis Kessler.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**PERMISSION TO INTRODUCE GRANTED
(Motion In Writing)**

Mr. President:

The following members hereby request to suspend Senate Rule 7.07(b), Limitations on Introduction, to permit the introduction of bills and resolutions as listed below:

On motion of Senator Estes: **SB 2246**.

On motion of Senator Hinojosa: **SB 2241, SB 2242**.

On motion of Senator Huffman: **SCR 46**.

On motion of Senator Hughes: **SB 2247, SCR 47**.

On motion of Senator Kolkhorst: **SB 2256**.

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

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

SB 2241 by Hinojosa

Relating to the elimination of double taxation of property due to jurisdictional disputes of like taxing units.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2242 by Hinojosa

Relating to the elimination of double taxation of property due to jurisdictional disputes of like taxing units.

To Committee on Finance.

SB 2246 by Estes

Relating to the board of trustees of the Weatherford Junior College District.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2247 by Hughes

Relating to the Paris Junior College District.

To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 2256 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the compensation of and reimbursement of expenses of the directors of the Aliana Management District.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 2264 by Kolkhorst

Relating to the powers and duties of the Fort Bend County Municipal Management District No. 1; authorizing the imposition of a tax.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 2265 by Taylor of Galveston

Relating to the Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority and expanding the territory and powers of the authority; authorizing fees and the issuance of bonds.

To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SCR 46 by Huffman

Directing the Texas Facilities Commission to rename the State Insurance Building in the Capitol Complex in honor of former president George H. W. Bush.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

SCR 47 by Hughes

Urging Congress to propose and submit to the states for ratification a regulation freedom amendment to the U.S. Constitution.
To Committee on State Affairs.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The Presiding Officer at 12:38 p.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 42 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Zaffirini moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 42** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 42, Relating to the security of courts and judges in the state; establishing a fee.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Burton, Hall, Huffines, Nichols, 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.

Senator Zaffirini offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 42** (senate committee printing) as follows:

- (1) In SECTION 9 of the bill, in added Section 74.092(a)(13), Government Code (page 4, line 8), between "administrative" and "judge", insert "district".
- (2) In SECTION 9 of the bill, in added Section 74.092(a)(13)(A), Government Code (page 4, line 9), between "administrative" and "judge", insert "district".
- (3) In SECTION 17 of the bill, in added Section 552.117(a)(12), Government Code (page 5, line 69, through page 6, line 1), between "state judge" and "or a spouse", insert ", as those terms are defined by Section 13.0021(a), Election Code,".
- (4) In SECTION 22 of the bill, in amended Section 15.0215(b), Election Code (page 6, line 58), between "state judge" and the comma, insert "and of the name of the judge's spouse, if applicable".
- (5) In SECTION 22 of the bill, in added Section 15.0215(c), Election Code (page 7, line 2), strike "fifth" and substitute "10th".

The amendment to **CSSB 42** 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 42 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: Burton, Hall, Huffines, Nichols, Taylor of Collin.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 42 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 42** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

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

Nays: Burton, Hall, Huffines, Nichols, Taylor of Collin.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5. (Same as previous roll call)

SENATE RESOLUTION 575

Senator Watson offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, On November 6, 2015, State District Judge Julie Kocurek was the target of an assassination attempt in the driveway of her West Austin home; and

WHEREAS, Judge Kocurek was at the time in the company of her 17-year-old son, Will, and other family members; in a display of selfless courage, Will Kocurek placed himself between the assassin and his mother to shield her from further harm; and

WHEREAS, Thanks in large part to the courage of her son, Judge Kocurek survived the attempt on her life; despite undergoing 26 surgeries over the course of 40 days in the hospital, she was determined to show that the administration of justice would not be hindered by violence, and she returned to the bench to continue doing the vital job for which she was elected; and

WHEREAS, This near-tragic event brought to light the lack of security measures in place for the members of the state's judiciary; to address this deficit, Senate Bill 42, also known as the Judge Julie Kocurek Judicial and Courthouse Security Act of 2017, is being considered by the Texas Senate; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Will Kocurek for his bravery and quick thinking in the face of mortal danger and Judge Julie Kocurek for her commitment to equal justice under the law; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

SR 575 was read.

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

On motion of Senator Watson, the resolution was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Watson was recognized and introduced to the Senate Judge Julie Kocurek and her son, Will Kocurek.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 823 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Burton and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 823** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 823, Relating to the powers and compensation of criminal law magistrates in Tarrant County.

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 823 ON THIRD READING

Senator Burton moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 823** 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 440 ON SECOND READING

Senator Rodríguez moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 440** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 440, Relating to the use by certain municipalities of hotel occupancy tax revenue to improve or expand certain airports.

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.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 440 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Rodríguez moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 440** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yea: 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.

Nay: 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 573 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Estes and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 573** at this time on its second reading:

SB 573, Relating to the disposition of proceeds from the sale of freshwater fishing stamps issued by the Parks and Wildlife Department.

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 573 ON THIRD READING

Senator Estes moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 573** 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 301 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Watson and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 301** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 301, Relating to the operations and functions of the Employees Retirement System of Texas and the sunset review date for, financial management of, and programs administered by the agency.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Huffman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 301** (senate committee report), in SECTION 8 of the bill, in added Section 815.3016(b), Government Code (page 3, line 51), by striking "\$100 million" and substituting "two percent of the total market value of alternative investments as reported in the most recent annual financial report required under Section 2101.011".

The amendment to **CSSB 301** 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 301 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 301 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 301** 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 302 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Watson and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 302** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 302, Relating to the continuation and functions of the state bar.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Watson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 302** (Senate Committee Printing) in SECTION 9 of the bill, in added Section 81.0875(c)(6), Government Code (page 5, line 2), between "people" and the underlined period, by inserting ", of which at least 51 percent, or 10,200 or more, must be residents of this state".

The amendment to **CSSB 302** 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 Hughes offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **CSSB 302** (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 3 of the bill, adding Section 81.022(a-2), Government Code (page 2, line 4), strike "Subsection (a-2)" and substitute "Subsections (a-2), (a-3), and (a-4)".

(2) In SECTION 3 of the bill, strike added Section 81.022(a-2), Government Code (page 2, lines 5 through 9), and substitute the following:

(a-2) Any change in a membership fee or other fee for state bar members must be:

(1) clearly described and included in the proposed budget; and

(2) considered by the supreme court in the state bar budget deliberations.

(a-3) Except as provided by Subsection (a-4), an increase in a membership fee or other fee for state bar members may not take effect until the supreme court:

(1) distributes the proposed fee change in ballot form to each member of the state bar and orders a vote;

(2) counts the returned ballots following the 30th day after the date the ballots are distributed; and

(3) promulgates the proposed fee, effective immediately, only on approval of the fee increase by a majority of the state bar members who voted on the increase.

(a-4) The board of directors may increase a membership fee or other fee for state bar members, without distributing the proposed fee to the state bar members for a vote, on or after the sixth anniversary of the preceding fee increase provided the fee increase amount is not more than 10 percent of the previous fee amount.

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The amendment to **CSSB 302** 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.

(President in Chair)

CSSB 302 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 302 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 302** 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.

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senators Watson and Taylor of Galveston regarding **CSSB 302** were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

President: Senator Taylor, for what purpose?

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Good day, Mr. President, I had a couple of questions for the author of the bill.

President: Senator Watson, you yield for questions?

Senator Watson: I do, thank you.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Yeah, I was just trying to go through the bill fairly quickly. I was looking at, on page 3, line 27, talk about self-reporting. Attorney self-reporting, the chief disciplinary counsel shall develop the guidelines and procedure for an attorney to self-report any criminal offense committed by the attorney. You get a lot of those?

Senator Watson: No.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: But we're going to set up a process for that to happen.

Senator Watson: But part of it is to make it so that it will be easier for attorneys that may find themselves in a situation ther— where they have violated a disciplinary rule, they would be in a position to self-report it, as opposed to having to have somebody file a complaint against them, the hope being that by self-reporting you'll get, you'll get to the issue. The attorney will be able to deal with whatever discipline there might be. It's an effort to make it easier for that to occur and not require that they either hide something or be faced with someone having to file a complaint.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Okay, on that same page, towards the top, State Bar shall establish a voluntary mediation dispute resolution. You've struck parts of allegation of attorney misconduct, and you changed it to minor grievance, referred to the voluntary mediation. So, is there another place for this, the major misconduct goes to, other than this minor grievance portion, or is this it?

Senator Watson: The goal was to be able to move, to focus on minor violations and minor grievances. The, the disciplinary, the chief disciplinary officer would still have the ability to go forward on all those, but it, you don't have the same set up for mediation, as you would have on minor grievances.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Okay. And I guess my overall question has to do with what is the purpose of the State Bar of Texas?

Senator Watson: The purpose of the State Bar of Texas is to protect the public and to assure that lawyers that are practicing in the State of Texas are practicing with the highest degree of ethics and quality of practice.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Did the Sunset Commission tell you that they were doing that?

Senator Watson: You know, you raise an interesting question. Yes, the Sunset Commission came to the conclusion that the Bar was overall being run well and, in fact, the recommendation is that the Bar continue for the full 12-year period. There was specific questioning, since you focused on grievances, I want to, I want to focus on that a second. The Bar oversees the discipline and the entire Texas discipline system for lawyers. And because it's also a professional association that all Texas attorneys are required to be a member of, there was legitimate concern by the Sunset Commission and questions asked regarding potential for conflicts of interest. And in

particular, and in fact, I was one of the people asking these questions. In particular, we focused on the idea that over the last 10 years there have been, there's been a very large increase in the number of lawyers, even as the number of grievance actions the Bar pursued has pretty much remained even. So, the number of grievances that the Bar has pursued has remained even, while you've seen an increase in the number of lawyers. So, we, we asked questions about that and the Sunset staff spent a lot of time looking that. In fact, that was a part of some of their initial proposals. It was determined that we might be able to do some things that would improve the process. For example, one of the things that this does is it restores to the chief disciplinary officer the ability to use subpoena power, which had been something that had been taken away previously. So, that was added. In addition to that, the bill allows for an ombudsman, an ombudsman that will be paid for by the State Bar, but will not report to the Bar. It will report, the ombudsman will report to the Supreme Court, another way to maybe help the public if it wants to be able to file a complaint against a lawyer. So, that's a long way of saying this, the very issue that you have brought up in a couple of your questions, and I'm assuming is what you're asking about, was specifically considered by Sunset staff and explored by the Sunset Commission and came to the conclusion that with some strengthening, you would do better— the Bar could do better and came to the conclusion that overall the Bar was doing well, and there was no reason to not continue it for another 12 years.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Yeah, I guess, specifically, I'm concerned, you know, I was on the Sunset Commission back when we did the Board of Medical Examiners, you remember all that? People felt like they weren't do their enforcement actions against doctors. And I'm not sure the Sunset staff attends, like, insurance committee meetings in the House or Business and Commerce here in the Senate, but you know, we've had a lot of discussion about lawyer, lawyers misbehaving.

Senator Watson: Yes.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: And you've been involved in some of those hearings where, you know, we talk about the, you know, catastrophe, catastrophic claims, litigation, and the, you talk about the increase in number of attorney. We've also having dramatic increase in the number of first priority lawsuits having to do with these catastrophic claims, and even the Texas Trial Lawyers Association has blamed it on barratry. And when we try to make changes in law, they say, well, we need to just enforce the barratry. I mean, barratry is a law and—

Senator Watson: Yes, in fact, we have, we have—

Senator Taylor of Galveston: —and it's a law that has passed to protect the citizens of Texas. And so, do you feel like the State Bar of Texas is enforcing the barratry provisions?

Senator Watson: Well, as it came through the Sunset Commission, those questions were asked, or there were questions asked about that through this whole process. The numbers are of concern, that's why I pointed out the numbers that I mentioned earlier with the increase in number of lawyers and with the same incline, if you will, or with

the number of grievances that are actually being pursued. Part of the reason we wanted to put in things like giving subpoena power was to make it easier to pursue those kinds of cases and others.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: And I guess the State Bar, do they just work off of complaints or can they actually see things for themselves and start their own investigations?

Senator Watson: That part of, they can do both.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Because, you know, we've seen pictures of people at flea markets with signs saying, you know, did you have, do you know you had hail damage, you know, we can get you money. I mean, does that sound like barratry? I mean—

Senator Watson: Well, I'm not going to rule on anything as we stand here.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Well, I can tell you this, from the information I've been given, that since 2012, you know, we've had a huge spike, well, actually, even before that, but since 2012, would you like to guess how many lawyers have been reprimanded by the State Bar for barratry?

Senator Watson: I wouldn't, but I guess it's low.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: It's one.

Senator Watson: That's low.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: 2012. So, Members, my problem is, this group is supposed to be in charge of keeping the lawyers complying with the law and with their rules, and all those types of things, and it's hard to imagine with, frankly, even the Texas Trial Lawyers Association bringing it up in our hearings, that they're blaming a lot of this abuse on barratry, and yet our group that's supposed to be doing this has actually penalized one person, and I believe they got a 12-month probation. They were temporarily suspended for barratry. And I just find that appalling. I mean, I think you and I both agree it is going on, that, you know, we blame public adjusters, and there are lawyers that will work public adjusters, and these are well-publicized cases. I mean, people have put out pictures of what's going, we've had public adjusters testify to it. I just, I would like to see the State Bar step up and do their job, is what I'm asking.

Senator Watson: You make a good point and I'll say a couple of things. One is, the Bar has heard loud and clear, I believe, from the Sunset Commission, from me specifically, about the concern, not just with barratry. But how is it, I mean, I kept asking the question, how is it you can have the increase in the number of lawyers, but the cases being pursued seems to stay rather static? Again, I don't know that we've given them all the tools that they need to be helpful. But for example, one of the things that the ombudsman that reports to the Texas Supreme Court is supposed to do is to study trends and make recommendations to the Court and the Bar. This may be one of those areas where they can make those recommendations, giving subpoena power back so that they can actually subpoena and be in a position to do, hopefully, better investigations, will increase the authority there. So, so, I will tell you that you make a very good point. One that, frankly, I don't disagree with and one that we need

to watch and make sure the Bar is doing its job of protecting the public. But I will tell you that in our overall analysis with the Commission, we concluded that with these helps, the Bar should continue forward, and that's the bill you have in front of you.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Yeah, and I'm all for the Bar continuing forward, but I'd also like to continue forward actually doing more of their job, because there's another issue we've had discussed also in our committee hearings about lawsuits being filed for damages that aren't there.

Senator Watson: Right.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Which, I mean, it's fraud. I mean, I think that's insurance fraud is already, we already have laws against that. Once again, I know that the State Bar does a lot of continuing education. I think it would serve the lawyers of Texas well if their, if their association would put in their newsletter reminders about things like barratry and putting things in lawsuits that aren't actually damaged or don't exist at all. So, I really just stand up, I'm not, I'm not opposed to the State Bar continuing, but I would like to see the State Bar stand up and do what their, what their, you know, job is, and so, I would appreciate, frankly, I would move that the comments between myself and Senator Watson be placed in the Journal and also send a postcard to the State Bar of Texas to let them know we are serious about them doing their job on this.

Senator Watson: They are, they're watching as you're speaking, and I think you've gotten their attention.

Senator Taylor of Galveston: Thank you, Senator Watson.

Senator Watson: Thank you, Senator.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 303 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Watson moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 303** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 303, Relating to the continuation and functions of the Board of Law Examiners.

The motion prevailed.

Senator 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: Hall.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 303 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 303** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Nays: Hall.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1. (Same as previous roll call)

SENATE BILL 613 ON SECOND READING

Senator Whitmire moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 613** at this time on its second reading:

SB 613, Relating to services provided by the Health and Human Services Commission to sexually violent offenders who are incompetent to attend sex offender treatment.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Schwertner 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: Schwertner.

SENATE BILL 613 ON THIRD READING

Senator Whitmire moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 613** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Nays: Schwertner.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1. (Same as previous roll call)

SENATE BILL 1575 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 1575** at this time on its second reading:

SB 1575, Relating to the prosecution of the offenses of assault and harassment by persons committed to certain facilities; increasing a criminal penalty.

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 1575 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 1575** 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 706 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Birdwell and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 706** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 706, Relating to the abolishment of the State Council on Competitive Government and the transfer of its functions to the comptroller.

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 706 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 **CSSB 706** 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.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Perry was recognized and introduced to the Senate a delegation of Angelo State University political science students.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 799 ON SECOND READING

Senator Rodríguez moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 799** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 799, Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Bettencourt, Burton, Hall, Huffines, 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: Bettencourt, Burton, Hall, Huffines, Taylor of Collin.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 799 ON THIRD READING

Senator Rodríguez moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 799** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

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

Nays: Bettencourt, Burton, Hall, Huffines, Taylor of Collin.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5. (Same as previous roll call)

SENATE BILL 18 ON SECOND READING

Senator Seliger moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 18** at this time on its second reading:

SB 18, Relating to eliminating provisions requiring public institutions of higher education to set aside portions of designated tuition for student financial assistance.

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

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

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

The bill was read second time.

Senator Seliger offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 18** (senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill appropriately:

SECTION _____. Chapter 56, Education Code, is amended by adding Subchapter U to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER U. TEXAS STUDENTS FIRST GRANT PROGRAM
Sec. 56.641. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Coordinating board" means the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

(2) "General academic teaching institution" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

(3) "Eligible institution" means a general academic teaching institution that satisfies the requirements of Section 56.644.

(4) "Program" means the Texas Students First Grant Program established under this subchapter.

(5) "Tuition" includes:

(A) tuition for which the rates are prescribed by Chapter 54; and

(B) tuition charged by a general academic teaching institution under Section 54.0513 or another law authorizing an institution to establish tuition rates.

Sec. 56.642. PURPOSE. The purpose of the Texas Students First Grant Program is to provide financial assistance to students with financial need at general academic teaching institutions that have successfully controlled tuition costs charged to students at the institution.

Sec. 56.643. ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM; PRIORITY FOR GRANT AWARDS. (a) The coordinating board shall:

(1) administer the program;

(2) adopt rules for determining the allocation of funds under the program among eligible institutions; and

(3) adopt any other rules necessary to implement the program or this subchapter.

(b) The coordinating board shall consult with the student financial aid officers of eligible institutions in developing rules adopted under Subsection (a).

(c) In awarding grants under the program, priority shall be given to eligible students whose cost for tuition and required fees is not fully met through other non-loan financial assistance programs.

Sec. 56.644. ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS. (a) A general academic teaching institution is eligible to participate in the program for an academic year only if the total amount of tuition charged by the institution to each student for that academic year is at least five percent less than the total amount of tuition that the institution would have charged to a similarly situated student for the 2017-2018 academic year.

(b) For purposes of this section, students are similarly situated if they share the same residency status, degree program, course load, course level, tuition exemption status, and other circumstances affecting the tuition charged to the student.

Sec. 56.645. ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANT. To be eligible for a grant under the program, a person must:

(1) be a resident of this state as determined by coordinating board rules;

(2) be enrolled as an undergraduate student at an eligible institution;

(3) meet financial need requirements as defined by coordinating board rules;

and

(4) comply with any additional requirement adopted by the coordinating board under this subchapter.

Sec. 56.646. GRANT USE. A person receiving a grant under this subchapter may use the money only to pay the amount of tuition and required fees and the cost of required textbooks incurred by the student at an eligible institution.

Sec. 56.647. GRANT AMOUNT. (a) The coordinating board by rule shall prescribe the maximum amount of a grant awarded to a person under the program for a semester or other academic term.

(b) The total amount of grants awarded under the program may not exceed the amount available for the program from appropriations, gifts, grants, or other funds.

Sec. 56.648. FUNDING. (a) The coordinating board may solicit and accept gifts, grants, and donations from any public or private source for the purposes of this subchapter.

(b) The legislature may appropriate money for the purposes of this subchapter.

SECTION ____. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall adopt rules for the administration of Subchapter U, Chapter 56, Education Code, as added by this Act, as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act.

The amendment to **SB 18** was read and was adopted by the following vote: Yeas 18, Nays 13.

Yea: Estes, Garcia, Hall, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Rodríguez, Seliger, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nay: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Hancock, Huffines, Kolkhorst, Perry, Schwertner, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin.

Senator Menéndez offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **SB 18** (senate committee printing) by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 56, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 56.015 to read as follows:

Sec. 56.015. TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF DESIGNATED TUITION SET-ASIDES FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter or other law, in the 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, and 2021-2022 academic years:

(1) the governing board of an institution of higher education may not:
(A) set aside an amount of tuition under Section 56.011 or 56.012; or
(B) provide the notice required by Section 56.014; and

(2) the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board is not required to disseminate the information described by Section 56.013.

(b) This section expires August 31, 2022.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

The amendment to **SB 18** was read and failed of adoption by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 20.

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

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

SB 18 as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 17, Nays 14.

Yea: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Estes, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston.

Nay: Burton, Garcia, Hinojosa, Huffines, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

REASON FOR VOTE

Senator Buckingham submitted the following reason for vote on **SB 18**:

I voted yes to pass Senate Bill 18 to engrossment because ending tuition set-asides is a priority, and the bill as amended provides the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board with authority to adopt additional requirements regarding eligibility for participation in the Texas Students First Grant Program.

BUCKINGHAM

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 19 ON SECOND READING

Senator Seliger moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 19** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 19, Relating to performance-based tuition limitations for and a temporary limitation on the amount of tuition and fees charged by certain public institutions of higher education.

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

Yea: 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, West, Whitmire.

Nay: Watson, Zaffirini.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Schwertner offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 19** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 54.05131(j), Education Code (page 3, line 33), by striking "three percent" and substituting "one percent".

The amendment to **CSSB 19** was read and was adopted by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Yea: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Hinojosa, Huffines, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Schwertner, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, West, Whitmire.

Nay: Estes, Garcia, Hancock, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Rodríguez, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Watson, Zaffirini.

CSSB 19 as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2.

Yea: 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, West, Whitmire.

Nay: Watson, Zaffirini.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 19 ON THIRD READING

Senator Seliger moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 19** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yea: 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, West, Whitmire.

Nay: Watson, Zaffirini.

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

SENATE BILL 1305 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Nichols and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 1305** at this time on its second reading:

SB 1305, Relating to the abolishment of the transportation infrastructure fund and the grant program using money from the fund.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Kolkhorst offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 1305** (Committee Printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in amended Section 256.009(a), Transportation Code (page 1, line 54, through page 2, line 5), strike amended Subdivisions (1) and (2) and substitute the following:

(1) an account of how:

(A) the money allocated to a county under Section 256.002 during the preceding year was spent; and

(B) if the county received [designated a county energy transportation reinvestment zone, money paid into a tax increment account for the zone or from] an award under Subchapter C, the money was spent;

(2) a description, including location, of any new roads constructed in whole or in part with the money:

(A) allocated to a county under Section 256.002 during the preceding year; and

(B) received [paid into a tax increment account for the zone or] from any [an] award under Subchapter C [if the county designated a county energy transportation reinvestment zone];

(2) Strike SECTION 3 of the bill (page 2, lines 15-18) and substitute the following:

SECTION 3. Sections 222.1071, 222.1072, and 222.110(i), Transportation Code, are repealed.

(3) Strike SECTION 4 of the bill (page 2, lines 19-28).

(4) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill:

SECTION _____. Section 256.103(b), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Grants distributed during a fiscal year must be allocated among counties as follows:

(1) 20 percent according to weight tolerance permits, determined by the ratio of weight tolerance permits issued in the preceding fiscal year for the county [that designated a county energy transportation reinvestment zone] to the total number of weight tolerance permits issued in the state in that fiscal year, as determined by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles;

(2) 20 percent according to oil and gas production taxes, determined by the ratio of oil and gas production taxes collected by the comptroller in the preceding fiscal year in the county [that designated a county energy transportation reinvestment zone] to the total amount of oil and gas production taxes collected in the state in that fiscal year, as determined by the comptroller;

(3) 50 percent according to well completions, determined by the ratio of well completions in the preceding fiscal year in the county [that designated a county energy transportation reinvestment zone] to the total number of well completions in the state in that fiscal year, as determined by the Railroad Commission of Texas; and

(4) 10 percent according to the volume of oil and gas waste injected, determined by the ratio of the volume of oil and gas waste injected in the preceding fiscal year in the county [that designated a county energy transportation reinvestment zone] to the total volume of oil and gas waste injected in the state in that fiscal year, as determined by the Railroad Commission of Texas.

SECTION _____. Section 256.104(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In applying for a grant under this subchapter, the county shall:

- (1) provide the road condition report described by Section 251.018 made by the county for the previous year; and
- (2) submit to the department:
[A] a copy of the order or resolution establishing a county energy transportation reinvestment zone in the county, except that the department may waive the submission until the time the grant is awarded; and
[B] a plan that:
(A) [+] provides a list of transportation infrastructure projects to be funded by the grant;
(B) [+] describes the scope of the transportation infrastructure project or projects to be funded by the grant using best practices for prioritizing the projects;
(C) [+] provides for matching funds as required by Section 256.105; and
(D) [+] meets any other requirements imposed by the department.
- (5) Rerumber SECTIONS of the bill accordingly.

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The amendment to **SB 1305** 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 1305 as amended was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

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

SENATE BILL 1305 ON THIRD READING

Senator Nichols moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 1305** 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 452 ON THIRD READING

Senator Hancock moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 452** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

SB 452, Relating to the effect of certain agreements with a collective bargaining organization on certain state-funded public work contracts.

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

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

Nays: Garcia, Hinojosa, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Uresti, Watson, West, Whitmire, 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 570 ON THIRD READING

Senator Rodríguez moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 570** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

CSSB 570, Relating to the regulation of the retention, storage, transportation, disposal, processing, and reuse of used or scrap tires; providing a civil penalty; creating a criminal offense.

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

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

Nays: Bettencourt, Buckingham, Burton, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Hancock, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Schwertner, Taylor of Collin.

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

(Senator Bettencourt in Chair)

(President in Chair)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 576 ON SECOND READING

Senator Huffman moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 576** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 576, Relating to a reporting requirement for certain incidents of sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, or stalking at certain public and private institutions of higher education; creating a criminal offense; authorizing administrative penalties.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Watson asked to be recorded as voting "Nay" on suspension of the regular order of business.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Huffman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 576** (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 51.288(a), Education Code (page 4, line 11), strike "private or independent institution of higher education" and substitute "postsecondary educational institution".

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 51.288, Education Code (page 4, between lines 35 and 36), insert the following:

(g) The coordinating board shall annually submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the standing legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over legislation concerning sexual assault at postsecondary educational institutions a report regarding compliance with this subchapter, including a summary of the postsecondary educational institutions found not to be in substantial compliance as provided by this section during the calendar year preceding the date of the report.

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

SECTION _____. Not later than January 1, 2019, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall submit its initial report required under Section 51.288(g), Education Code, as added by this Act.

The amendment to **CSSB 576** 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 Watson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **CSSB 576** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 51.285, Education Code (page 3, between lines 39 and 40), by inserting the following new subsection and relettering subsequent subsections and cross-references to those subsections accordingly:

(d) For purposes of Subsection (c), good cause for failure to make a report required under Section 51.282 includes failure to make the report based on a desire to honor the alleged victim's request for confidentiality.

The amendment to **CSSB 576** was read and failed of adoption by the following vote: Yeas 12, Nays 19.

Yea: Burton, Estes, Garcia, Huffines, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Watson, West, Whitmire.

Nay: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin, Uresti, Zaffirini.

Senator Birdwell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 3

Amend **CSSB 576** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Section 51.288, Education Code, by striking "private or independent institution of higher education" and substituting "postsecondary educational institution" in each of the following places it appears:

- (1) page 4, line 11;
- (2) page 4, lines 14 and 15;
- (3) page 4, lines 22 and 23; and
- (4) page 4, lines 26 and 27.

The amendment to **CSSB 576** was read and failed of adoption by the following vote: Yeas 12, Nays 19.

Yea: Birdwell, Buckingham, Burton, Garcia, Huffines, Hughes, Menéndez, Miles, Rodríguez, Uresti, West, Whitmire.

Nay: Bettencourt, Campbell, Creighton, Estes, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Perry, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor of Galveston, Taylor of Collin, Watson, Zaffirini.

CSSB 576 as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Nay: Watson.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 576 ON THIRD READING

Senator Huffman moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 576** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Nay: Watson.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1. (Same as previous roll call)

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

On motion of Senator Birdwell and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senators Huffman and Birdwell regarding **CSSB 576** were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

Senator Birdwell: Thank you, Mr. President, thank you, Madame Chair. First, let me say I very much appreciate the hard work that you've done. There were a number of things and, both in committee, between the committee and the floor, that I very much wish to compliment you, the spirit, the intent, the work associated with the, with this bill. There were two areas that I had concern in committee that I, and I wanted to be on the record publicly with one of those, that I, I think you've addressed, based upon the discussion that we had between the committee and, and here on the floor. CS, Committee Substitute 576 states that unless waived in writing by the alleged victim, the identity of an alleged victim of an incident report is confidential and not subject to disclosure under Chapter 552 of the Government Code, and it, I think you'd addressed it somewhat in your, in your layout, as well. About—

Senator Huffman: Yes.

Senator Birdwell: —the confidentiality. As you know, my concern about due process and, and the like, my understanding is that Title IX language, the specifics of Title IX and federal law speaks to a procedure or due process standard that allows an accused individual to defend oneself and know who it is that accused him or her, at the very

least, during the disciplinary stage of the process. Is that an accurate understanding, because I'm absolutely concerned with the spirit and intent of the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Senator Huffman: Well, my bill does not affect at all, or doesn't impact at all, current Title IX requirements about due process nor due process in the criminal justice system. It simply requires reporting of very specific individuals by, by certain specific individuals, and protects the victim's anonymity or confidentiality throughout the process. So—

Senator Birdwell: So, it's the confidentiality of the report, not necessarily the confidentiality of adjudication.

Senator Huffman: Correct. This, there are, there's already laws in place under Title IX and under the state laws and federal laws, as for prosecution of any of these offenses to the extent they are a criminal offense.

Senator Birdwell: Okay.

Senator Huffman: And this bill doesn't affect that. It can't affect that.

Senator Birdwell: Okay.

Senator Huffman: It's not intended to and it wouldn't have the authority to do so.

Senator Birdwell: And that was my intent to—

Senator Huffman: Yeah.

Senator Birdwell: —confirm that with you—

Senator Huffman: Yes.

Senator Birdwell: —and here on the floor, so I wanted to, certainly, fulfill that, the spirit of the Sixth Amendment as we—

Senator Huffman: Yes.

Senator Birdwell: —as we discuss it. Second, as I expressed in committee, I'm very concerned with 576 compliance provision, in that it creates an unequal system of adjudication. In its current form, 576 allows the Higher Education Coordinating Board, as you, again, mentioned in your, your layout, to determine if a private or independent institution is not in substantial compliance with your bill, which I support your bill, I want, so you, you know that.

Senator Huffman: Okay, I know.

Senator Birdwell: Okay. But in addition, it grants the Coordinating Board the authority and discretion to immediately administer such an administrative penalty for non-compliance up to the, the two—

Senator Huffman: Yes.

Senator Birdwell: —million threshold that you mentioned. I certainly don't have a problem with the penalty provision, but I am concerned with the potential for unequal adjudication, meaning the Coordinating Board adjudicates the standard, the measures of effectiveness, whatever the mechanism is that we're going to say they're not in compliance, the Coordinating Board will do it for the privates and the independents,

but the Legislature will do it for the public universities. So, with that mechanism that you have in place, how do public, how do we determine the public universities being non-compliant in your, if the Coordinating Board is being told go do it for the, the privates and independents—

Senator Huffman: Right.

Senator Birdwell: —are we going to use the same standard in the legislative branch?

Senator Huffman: Well, as you know, I'm going to have a floor amendment, I touched on it briefly, to partially, I think it will, it answers, under, understand, you and I have discussed this a lot, and some of the Members know this is one of those bills that was worked on for a long time with a lot of—

Senator Birdwell: I hope that's not a complaint. I mean—

Senator Huffman: —no—

Senator Birdwell: —I know—

Senator Huffman: —no, it's not—

Senator Birdwell: —I know I've been hard here, but I—

Senator Huffman: —with a, a lot of input from the institutions and the different advocacy groups, and, uhm, I've really tried very hard to make this a bill that can sail out of this Senate because I feel so passionately, and I think it's such an important piece of legislation that I didn't want it to get hung up with, with some little, you know, small problem. So, you and I've discussed this, I think the floor amendment addresses part of your concerns in that it now requires both private and public or independent institutions to certify in writing to the Coordinating Board that the institution is substantial compliance. And then, it requires the com- ordinary, the co-can't say it, Coordinating Board to report to the Legislature any institution found not to be in compliance. So, the Coordinating Board will be making that determination for either public, private, or indepens- institutions. The difference, and I think, and I don't know if you're going to this, but I think the difference is that if that is determined by the coordinarting, Coordinating Board, then they may assess a penalty of up to \$2 million on a private institution, but the Legislature would be the, the authority that would decide how we would punish a public institution. And I think that's the only thing that we have, we're probably disagreeing on at this point, is who should punish a public institution. I think that's what we, the only part that I think I'm not addressing in your concerns.

Senator Birdwell: I'd, you are, you are getting there. I mean, I, I, I do have an a, an amendment that I think more, more fulfills that spirit because I, I'll support your amendment. I, I—

Senator Huffman: Yes.

Senator Birdwell: —I've seen it, I've read it, I agree with it. I just think, I, I want to, I've got one that I think will absolutely, because look, here's, here's my, my concern. If the Legislature is going to adjudicate the public universities, I think we create a system of unequal adjudication slash unequal justice. If the Coordinating Board

defines non-compliance a certain way, they can take action on it immediately. But does the, is the Legislature, and I think with your amendment the Legislature would be informed of that non-compliance, so you—

Senator Huffman: Exactly.

Senator Birdwell: —you move that direction, but in my view it doesn't get to where I think it needs to be, and here's why. My concern is, is that the Legislature having the adjudication of the public universities that we're, in fact, blending legislative and executive branch functions into a legislative act. Does the separation of powers concern you here?

Senator Huffman: Not at, well, as, general subject it does, but it doesn't in this instant. I mean, because the Coordinating Board is going to determine who bo— well, who's in compliance or who's not, so there is one adjudicating authority and that's the Coordinating Board. And so, I assume they will use the same standards, and it's basically if they're complying in reporting as the Legislature would be requiring them to do. And so, once that was done, then the, the, it would be who gets to assess the punishment, I guess, is the way I would put it.

Senator Birdwell: Right.

Senator Huffman: And if it's a private institution, then the Coordinating Board will, can assess a penalty up to two millions. If it's a public institution, then the Legislature comes back and, and my belief is, it doesn't make sense to fine a public education institution, a public institution a fine that taxpayer dollars are going to pay for anyway, that I think our hammer would be much greater if we bring the regents in and hammer them for not doing what we wanted them to do, for new nominees when they go through Nominations, to be drill— grilled on whether or not they'll honor this law, to, you know, address their, them in our budgetary discussions through the Finance Committee and through our budget. So, we have control over public institutions. As you know, we have no control over private institutions, and they have been treated differently in that, by, through the legislative process for a long time. And my position on this bill is that the publics and the privates should be held equally accountable, but the Legislature doesn't have very much authority over the privates, and by gosh, we, one way we can do it is fine them. And, uhm, and that's, that's why I've done it that way. Understand your amendment will give the, the body an opportunity to, to vote on that. And I understand it's a policy decision, it doesn't kill the bill, it, it just—

Senator Birdwell: No, no.

Senator Huffman: —it's a different way of addressing the ultimate issue. My hope and my prayer and my belief is that all of these institutions are going to comply with this because shame on them if they don't. And I think people are g— I think the institutions are going to comply, but I felt like the private institutions need, needed to make sure that they understood that we meant business, and so, that's why—

Senator Birdwell: One of the reasons—

Senator Huffman: —I put it that way.

Senator Birdwell: —I'm sorry, go ahead.

Senator Huffman: No, that's it.

Senator Birdwell: That's one of the reasons I support the bill. I mean, you don't get to commit crimes on your private property. Period.

Senator Huffman: Right.

Senator Birdwell: My, my concern with, with, you answer about some of the elements of, of legislative power, again, the blending of the executive and the legislative branches, that causes me concern, or that, there is a time and a place to do that, the Ethics Commission is, is very uniquely structured for that reason. And while it makes me, you know, terribly uncomfortable, there may be a time and place to do that, but this isn't, this isn't one that I believe fits that, fits that definition. The other concern that I have, you talked about bringing regents or, or nominees in to the Nominations Committee. The, the challenge with that is, as an example, of the seven university systems that we have, two right now have no nominees whatsoever—

Senator Huffman: Uhm-hum.

Senator Birdwell: —before the Legislature, Texas State Technical College, and then the Texas State System right now have no nominees. So, if that university system is determined by the Coordinating Board to be out of compliance, by virtue of their absence, we have no opportunity. Of the 50 community college districts, they are public education systems, but those regents in the local community colleges are not appointed by the Governor or confirmed by the Senate. It's done locally in those local communities, and so the community colleges, we don't get that, we don't get the opportunity. The other challenge that I, that I see is that if you have a violation, let's say in the, the summer of the odd year. If a, if a August of '17 the Coordinating Board made an adjudication that says this university is out of compliance, they can immediately and rightfully and properly punish and assess a private and an independent university. But if they assess that to the, to a public, they have to inform us, and we can't do anything about it unless the Governor calls a special session, for anywhere from 18 to 20 months, depending upon when the violation occurs, and that passage of time, and my, my fear is that passage of time will create a circumstance in which the ardor or fervor with which the Legislature will act will have waned. Whereas with the, the privates it won't, and rightfully so, with the privates it won't. So, I'm not looking to, to make the privates have the same system we have. I'm, I'm trying to make sure that the publics have the same adjudication and maintain the separation of powers between the executive and the legislative branches. I want to thank you, Senator Huffman, for your work on this because, look, this is hard, it's the right thing to do. As we've discussed, I have an off—I will offer an amendment at the appropriate time that will ensure that the entities affected by this bill, public, private or independent, or otherwise, comply with the same reporting requirements to the Coordinating Board, and most importantly, receive the same standard of adjudication regarding the assessment of penalties for non-compliance and keep administrative branch functions wholly within the executive branch. I very much appreciate your, your discussion.

MOTION IN WRITING

Senator Birdwell offered the following Motion In Writing:

Mr. President:

I move that the nomination of Joe C. Chow to the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology be withdrawn from the Committee on Nominations, and I further move that the nomination be returned to the Governor pursuant to his request.

BIRDWELL

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

RESOLUTIONS SIGNED

The President announced the signing of the following enrolled resolutions in the presence of the Senate: **HCR 62, HCR 63, HCR 71.**

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Senator Birdwell submitted the following report from the Committee on Nominations:

We, your Committee on Nominations, to which were referred the following appointments, have had same under consideration and report them back to the Senate with a recommendation that they be confirmed:

Members, Governing Board, Texas Civil Commitment Office: Jose Luis Aliseda, Bee County; Roberto Dominguez, Hidalgo County; Rona Kay Stratton Gouyton, Tarrant County; Elizabeth Christina Jack, Tarrant County; Kathryn Elaine McClure, Harris County.

Members, Real Estate Research Advisory Committee: Carliss Collins, Andrews County; Warren Douglas Jennings, Tarrant County; Elizabeth Robison Martin, Kendall County.

Members, Texas Diabetes Council: Joan Polakoff Colgin, Dallas County; Kathy Ann LaCivita, Bexar County; Aida L. Moreno-Brown, El Paso County; William Sanders, Dallas County.

Members, Texas Juvenile Justice Board: Edeska Barnes, Jasper County; James Castro, Kendall County; Pama Jan Hencerling, Victoria County; Lisa Katherine Jarrett, Bexar County; Stephanie Anne Moreno, Bee County; Candace Thweatt Noble, Collin County; Allison Lou Palmer, Tom Green County; Wesley Curtis Ritchey, Dallam County; James Robert Smith, Midland County.

Member, State Pension Review Board: Joshua Burton McGee, Harris County.

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS

Senator Birdwell gave notice that he would tomorrow submit to the Senate for consideration nominations to agencies, boards, and commissions of the state.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 203

On motion of Senator West, Senator Miles will be shown as Co-author of **SB 203.**

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 275

On motion of Senator Watson, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 275**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 460

On motion of Senator Lucio, Senator Bettencourt will be shown as Co-author of **SB 460**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 570

On motion of Senator Rodríguez, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 570**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 576

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senators Bettencourt, Garcia, Hinojosa, Menéndez, Lucio, and West will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 576**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 584

On motion of Senator West, Senator Miles will be shown as Co-author of **SB 584**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 928

On motion of Senator Rodríguez, Senators Birdwell, Huffines, Perry, and Taylor of Galveston will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 928**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1001

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston, Senator Hall will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1001**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1063

On motion of Senator Perry, Senator Uresti will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1063**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1081

On motion of Senator Burton, Senator Hughes will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1081**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1346

On motion of Senator Watson, Senators Huffman and Nelson will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 1346**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1588

On motion of Senator Huffines, Senators Hinojosa and Rodríguez will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 1588**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1923

On motion of Senator Schwertner, Senators Nelson, Nichols, Uresti, and Watson will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 1923**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 41

On motion of Senator Taylor of Galveston, Senators Campbell, Garcia, and Lucio will be shown as Co-authors of **SCR 41**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 46

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senator Garcia will be shown as Co-author of **SCR 46**.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Memorial Resolutions

SR 570 by Buckingham, In memory of Fay Meyer Dudney.

SR 572 by Lucio, In memory of Donna Michelle Jones.

SR 574 by Watson, In memory of Howard Vance Rose Jr.

Congratulatory Resolutions

SR 564 by Taylor of Collin, Recognizing Megan Pettibon for being named the 2017 Texas Honey Queen.

SR 565 by Buckingham, Recognizing Richland Springs High School six-man football team for winning a state championship.

SR 567 by Zaffirini, Recognizing the Texas Office of Court Administration on the occasion of its 40th anniversary.

SR 571 by Lucio, Recognizing Texas Department of Transportation District 21 for its service to the people of South Texas.

SR 573 by Lucio, Recognizing Edmundo Nieto for his service to his country.

SR 577 by Watson, Recognizing Dianna Schuster on the occasion of her retirement.

Official Designation Resolutions

SR 568 by Rodríguez, Recognizing March 31, 2017, as Transgender Visibility Day.

SR 576 by Burton, Recognizing March 30, 2017, as Kennedale Day.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Whitmire, the Senate at 4:25 p.m. adjourned, in memory of John Treviño Jr., until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

April 4, 2017

STATE AFFAIRS — **SB 1735, SB 1665, SB 628**

FINANCE — **CSSB 1767, CSSB 275**

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT — **SB 822**

BILLS ENGROSSED

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SB 73, SB 74, SB 77, SB 79, SB 80, SB 94, SB 102, SB 138, SB 139, SB 227, SB 248, SB 252, SB 263, SB 325, SB 327, SB 377, SB 395, SB 396, SB 402, SB 404, SB 491, SB 510, SB 528, SB 532, SB 546, SB 566, SB 579, SB 581, SB 582, SB 634, SB 657, SB 667, SB 680, SB 712, SB 719, SB 726, SB 745, SB 751, SB 763, SB 769, SB 790, SB 826, SB 854, SB 864, SB 865, SB 881, SB 920, SB 936, SB 998, SB 1002, SB 1024, SB 1066, SB 1078, SB 1091, SB 1096, SB 1099, SB 1172, SB 1557, SJR 27

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

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SR 545, SR 546, SR 547, SR 548, SR 550, SR 551, SR 552, SR 553, SR 554, SR 555, SR 556, SR 557, SR 558, SR 559, SR 560, SR 562

