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PROCEEDINGS

TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY

(Thursday, April 22, 2021)

The Senate met at 10:25 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by President Pro Tempore Birdwell.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Powell, Schwertner, Seliger, Springer, Taylor, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

The President Pro Tempore announced that a quorum of the Senate was present. Senator Powell offered the invocation as follows:

Lord, I know the last time I had the honor of opening our session in prayer I used these same words, but they still ring true today. I am so thankful for Your amazing grace. The grace that brings us together on this day and in this hallowed place. Second Timothy says: For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. Too often, we seem to govern from a place of fear. Help each of us remember, Lord, that You have given us a spirit of power, of love, and sound mind. Help us to remember You have delivered us from fear already. Today, let us pray to accept Your amazing grace and extend it to others. We pray to be guided by Your spirit of power, of love, and of sound mind to work toward a brighter future. We pray that we may spread Your light through our Help us focus on those who are the most vulnerable in our communities. Lord, we pray for insight and wisdom. Renew in our hearts the hope, inspire in us the creativity, and instill in our minds the imagination that reminds us we can do great things in Your name, for the greatest good, for all of our fellowman. Bless our beloved state and the people who make Texas their home. We pray these things this morning, according to our faith, respecting and honoring all faiths. 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

HOUSE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas Thursday, April 22, 2021 - 1

The Honorable President of the Senate Senate Chamber Austin, Texas

Mr. President:

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

THE HOUSE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

HB 1694 Raney

Relating to a defense to prosecution for certain offenses involving possession of small amounts of controlled substances, marihuana, dangerous drugs, or abusable volatile chemicals, or possession of drug paraphernalia for defendants seeking assistance for a suspected overdose.

HB 1849 Sanford

Relating to the modification of an order establishing the conservatorship or possession of or access to a child after a conservator's death.

HB 2683 Canales

Relating to remote and other meetings held under the open meetings law.

HCR 51 Morales, Christina

Urging the United States Congress to pass the I am Vanessa Guillén Act.

Respectfully,

/s/Robert Haney, Chief Clerk House of Representatives

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

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

April 22, 2021

Austin, Texas

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

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

To be a member of the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors for a term to expire February 1, 2027:

Christopher S. "Chris" Taylor, Ph.D.

Hurst, Texas

(Dr. Taylor is being reappointed)

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Greg Abbott

Governor

April 22, 2021

Austin, Texas

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

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

To be members of the Texas Southern University Board of Regents for terms to expire February 1, 2027:

Caroline Baker Hurley

Houston, Texas

(replacing Wesley Terrell of Dallas whose term expired)

Mary Evans Sias, Ph.D.

Richardson, Texas

(Dr. Sias is being reappointed)

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Greg Abbott

Governor

April 22, 2021

Austin, Texas

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

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

To be members of the Texas Physician Assistant Board for terms to expire February 1, 2027:

Clayton P. "Clay" Bulls

Abilene, Texas

(Mr. Bulls is being reappointed)

Karrie L. Crosby

Robinson, Texas

(Ms. Crosby is being reappointed)

Victor Ho, M.D.

Houston, Texas

(Dr. Ho is being reappointed)

Andrew W. Sauer D.M.Sc.

Amarillo, Texas

(Dr. Sauer is being reappointed)

Laura L. "Lali" Shipley
Austin, Texas
(replacing Jorge "George" Martinez of Mission whose term expired)

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Greg Abbott Governor

(President in Chair) SENATE RESOLUTION 268

Senator Miles offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Members of the Texas chapters of 100 Black Men of America are gathering for 100 Day at the State Capitol in Austin on April 22, 2021, and their visit offers a fitting opportunity to celebrate the work being done by this outstanding organization; and

WHEREAS, 100 Black Men of America was founded in New York City in 1963, when a group of visionary leaders in business, politics, and other fields came together to explore ways of improving the quality of life in the African American community; today, the organization numbers more than 105 chapters and over 10,000 members nationwide; guided by the motto "What They See Is What They'll Be," these accomplished individuals are presently enhancing the educational and economic opportunities available to more than 125,000 minority youth; and

WHEREAS, Based upon the four pillars of mentoring, education, health and wellness, and economic development, the organization's programs seek to address the emotional and cultural needs of African American children, to provide volunteer support to schools and educators, to advocate in behalf of equal access to education, to promote physical fitness and healthy eating habits, and to empower African American individuals and enterprises through training in financial literacy and networking; and

WHEREAS, Contributing to the advancement of this vital mission are the members of 100 Black Men of America who are active in the organization's Texas chapters, which represent Austin, Greater Beaumont, Greater Dallas/Fort Worth, Metropolitan Houston, San Antonio, and West Texas; and

WHEREAS, For nearly six decades, the members of 100 Black Men of America have helped to set countless young people on the path to a brighter future, and they are indeed deserving of commendation for their myriad good works; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby honor 100 Black Men of America for its long history of service to African American youth and extend to the visiting Texas members sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared for the Texas chapters as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

MILES WEST

SR 268 was read.

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

On motion of Senator Miles, SR 268 was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Miles, joined by Senators West, Hancock, Lucio, and Whitmire, was recognized and introduced to the Senate Reggie Dial, President, 100 Black Men of West Texas, Incorporated; John Haigler, President, 100 Black Men of Greater Dallas/Fort Worth, Incorporated; and members representing 100 Black Men of America, Incorporated, Texas chapters.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

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.

(President Pro Tempore Birdwell in Chair)

CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The President Pro Tempore at 10:58 a.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

RESOLUTION SIGNED

The President Pro Tempore announced the signing of the following enrolled resolution in the presence of the Senate: **HCR 78**.

SENATE BILL 1449 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 1449** at this time on its second reading:

SB 1449, Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of income-producing tangible personal property having a value of less than a certain amount.

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 1449 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 1449** 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 1158 ON THIRD READING

Senator Kolkhorst moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1158** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

CSSB 1158, Relating to state contracts with and investments in social media companies that censor political speech.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 18, Nays 13.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Springer, Taylor.

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, Menéndez, Miles, Powell, Seliger, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 17, Nays 14.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Nelson, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Springer, Taylor.

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Powell, Seliger, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1102 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Creighton and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 1102** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1102, Relating to the establishment of the Texas Reskilling and Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Program to support workforce education.

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

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

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1102 ON THIRD READING

Senator Creighton moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 1102** 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 1615 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Bettencourt and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 1615** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1615, Relating to the adult high school charter school 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 except as follows:

Nays: Nichols, Seliger, Springer.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1615 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 **CSSB 1615** 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 28, Nays 3.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, Kolkhorst, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Paxton, Perry, Powell, Schwertner, Taylor, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Nichols, Seliger, Springer.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1675 ON SECOND READING

Senator Campbell moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1675** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1675, Relating to procedures for early voting by mail.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 18, Nays 13.

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, Kolkhorst, Nelson, Nichols, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Seliger, Springer, Taylor.

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Powell, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 18, Nays 13. (Same as previous roll call)

(President in Chair)

SENATE BILL 2212 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 2212** at this time on its second reading:

SB 2212, Relating to the duty of a peace officer to request and render aid for an injured person.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Huffman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 2212** (senate committee report) in SECTION 1 of the bill, in added Article 2.33(b), Code of Criminal Procedure, as follows:

- (1) On page 1, line 31, between " $\underline{i}\underline{f}$ " and " \underline{making} ", insert the following:
- (2) $\overline{\text{On page 1, line 32, between "injury"}}$ and the underlined period, insert the following: ; or
- (2) the officer is injured and physically unable to make the request or provide the treatment

The amendment to **SB 2212** 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 2212 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 2212 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 2212** 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 Bettencourt and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senator West regarding **SB 2212** were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

Mr. President and Members, at this time I would request to suspend the Senate regular order of business to take up Committee Substitute to Senate Bill 2212. And this is a bill that deals with an officer's duty to request and also to render aid. Members, there will be another bill by Senator Miles that

also deals with police accountability issues today. And I'm glad to see the Senate, Mr. President, leading on this issue. Members, whether we sympathize, are angered by, or want them all to go away or ignore these topics of today related to criminal justice and police reform and social justice, we must acknowledge their presence and realize they are unlikely to move from public discourse anytime soon and that it takes our law enforcement and also members of the advocacy communities to work together to figure out exactly what can be agreed upon. Recognizing that the legislative process is one of compromise, I think that when we look at this particular issue, you'll recognize that it may not be everything that everyone wants, but it is, in fact, a step in the right direction. We can help to resolve issues by being active and developing policy solutions that are in the best interest of not only law enforcement but all of the constituents that make up the dynamic, growing, and diverse state. Policies should reflect that we are all in this together. Through our ongoing dialogue with legislative leaders and stakeholders during this session, Senate Bill 2212 was developed, and if passed into law, will illustrate the role of law enforcement as public servants. Mr. President, this particular bill requires an officer to immediately request emergency medical assistance for injured persons they encounter during the course of their official duties. It requires officers, to the extent possible, given their proficiency and training, to provide first aid or treatment for injured persons, codifies practices that are in place in many Texas law enforcement agencies, and protects officers saying that medical assistance is not required if doing so would place officers or others in a danger or dangerous or be in a situation where they would be injured. So, I at this time, I would request suspension of the regular order of business.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 68 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Miles and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 68** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 68, Relating to a duty for peace officers to intervene and make a report when a peace officer uses excessive force.

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 68 ON THIRD READING

Senator Miles moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 68** 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 Bettencourt and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senator Miles regarding **CSSB 68** were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

Senator Miles: Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Mr. President and Members. I don't think it's a secret that the 100 Black Men of Texas took today, the post-sentencing of Mr. Chauvin as relates to the George Floyd Act, that they would be here to hear these two bills by two Black Senators, the only two Black Senators in the State of Texas. But, Mr. President, I want to thank you and Members of this body. At this time, I'd like to suspend Senate regular order of business to take up, consider SB 68. The bill requires peace officers to intervene, to stop, or to prevent another police officer from using excess force under the circumstances. Members, my brothers, George Floyd may have been still alive today had this law been put in place, because when you looked at the film, there were numerous officers standing around but no one, not one of them thought to intervene with their fellow police officer. In the nine minutes that his neck was being pressed down on by his knee, not one of his officers made a move to remove him. So, in the State of Texas, after we pass this bill, and, brothers, I want you to know it's not just me passing a bill. Every elected body you see on this floor whether it be Black, Brown, or White, is passing this bill under great leadership. We thank you, Sir, Madam Chair, we thank you. But you should know the officer who witnessed this excessive force must submit a report of the incident to a supervisor. An officer must be interviewed separately, if he was on the scene, to see if there were other officers that witnessed this event, violating the law, putting someone's health or bodily harm at risk, using force not required to apprehend a suspect. Officers sometimes do not intervene when they witness misconduct because they may be fearful of retaliation from their fellow officers. And we understand that, but that's not acceptable. By peers, fear, and jeopardizing their career by interfering, officers sometime do not intervene when they're the witness. SB 68 addresses these by requiring an officer to interview, intervene in an excessive use of deadly force to benefit the person who's in custody. We all know what happened. We all know what took place. But I can assure you, my brothers, the leadership in this state, the leadership in this state is not going to stand by. Can I get a amen, Governor Patrick?

President: You can get an amen because we've all worked on this together, 31 Senators and our office, and these are two good bills.

Senator Miles: So, brothers, go home tonight knowing that you saw history. You saw history in Senator West's bill, and you're seeing history with this bill being passed, a great day for y'all. To this entire body, again, not just Senator West and I, but this entire body including leadership, we understand things need to be fixed. So, with that being said, Mr. President, I want to move for suspension.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1385 ON SECOND READING

Senator Creighton moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1385** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1385, Relating to the compensation and professional representation of student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs at certain institutions of higher education.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Kolkhorst asked to be recorded as "Present-not voting" on suspension of the regular order of business.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Birdwell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 1385** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 2 of the bill as follows:

- (1) In added Section 51.9246(g)(2)(A), Education Code (page 2, line 54), between "contract of the institution," and "or a provision of", insert "a policy of the athletic department of the institution,".
- (2) In added Section 51.9246(h), Education Code (page 3, lines 19-20), strike "an institutional contract of the institution, or the honor code" and substitute "a provision of an institutional contract of the institution, a policy of the athletic department of the institution, or a provision of the honor code".

The amendment to CSSB 1385 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 except as follows:

Present-not voting: Kolkhorst.

Senator Taylor offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **CSSB 1385** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 51.9246(g)(2)(B)(iv), Education Code (page 2, line 67), between "anabolic steroids," and "casino gambling,", by inserting "sports betting,".

The amendment to CSSB 1385 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 except as follows:

Present-not voting: Kolkhorst.

Senator West offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 3

Amend CSSB 1385 (senate committee report) by

Inserting subclause (j) on page 3, line 39, after "services.", insert (j) "No individual, corporate entity, or other organization may

- (1) enter into any arrangement with a prospective student-athlete relating to the prospective student-athlete's name, image, or likeness prior to their enrollment in an institution of higher education,
- or (2) use inducements of future name, image, and likeness compensation arrangement to recruit a prospective student-athlete to any institution of higher education."

The amendment to **CSSB 1385** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

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

Present-not voting: Kolkhorst.

CSSB 1385 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: Hughes, Perry.

Present-not voting: Kolkhorst.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1385 ON THIRD READING

Senator Creighton moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 1385** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0, Present-not voting 1.

Present-not voting: Kolkhorst.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 2, Present-not voting 1.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Buckingham, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, Lucio, Menéndez, Miles, Nelson, Nichols, Paxton, Powell, Schwertner, Seliger, Springer, Taylor, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Hughes, Perry.

Present-not voting: Kolkhorst.

HOUSE BILL 1510 REREFERRED (Motion In Writing)

Senator Creighton submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **HB 1510** be withdrawn from the Committee on Jurisprudence and rereferred to the Committee on Business and Commerce.

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

SENATE RULE 7.07(b) SUSPENDED (Permission to Introduce)

Senator Schwertner moved to suspend Senate Rule 7.07(b) and Section 5, Article III, of the Texas Constitution to permit the introduction of the following bill: **SB 2224**.

The motion prevailed without objection.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED (Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Bettencourt and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Local Government might meet today in 3E.4, the Civil Rights Room.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED (Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Creighton and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Higher Education might meet today in the press room, 2E.9.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED (Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Hughes and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on State Affairs might meet today in the Senate Chamber.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was introduced, read first time, and referred to the committee indicated:

SB 2224 by Schwertner

Relating to provisions governing the carrying of a handgun or other firearm by a Texas resident who is 21 years of age or older and is not otherwise prohibited by state or federal law from possessing the firearm and to other provisions related to the carrying, possessing, transporting, or storing of a firearm and to handgun licensing; increasing criminal penalties; creating a criminal offense.

To Committee on Administration.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL

The President presented an honorary gavel to President Pro Tempore Birdwell for being Governor for a Day on Saturday, April 24, 2021.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 68

On motion of Senator Miles, Senators Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, and Menéndez will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 68**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 69

On motion of Senator Miles, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 69**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 119

On motion of Senator Johnson, Senator Gutierrez will be shown as Co-author of SB 119.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 167

On motion of Senator Blanco, Senator Miles will be shown as Co-author of SB 167.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 279

On motion of Senator Hinojosa, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of SB 279.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 483

On motion of Senator Schwertner, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of SB 483.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 503

On motion of Senator Miles, Senator Zaffirini will be shown as Co-author of SB 503.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 512

On motion of Senator Perry, Senator Miles will be shown as Co-author of SB 512.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 912

On motion of Senator Buckingham, Senator Springer will be shown as Co-author of SB 912.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1095

On motion of Senator Creighton, Senator Zaffirini will be shown as Co-author of SB 1095.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1102

On motion of Senator Hinojosa, Senator Creighton will be shown as Co-author of SB 1102.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1105

On motion of Senator Hughes, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of SB 1105.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1111

On motion of Senator Bettencourt, Senator Springer will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1111**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1158

On motion of Senator Kolkhorst, Senators Hughes and Taylor will be shown as Co-authors of SB 1158

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1177

On motion of Senator Birdwell, Senator Kolkhorst will be shown as Co-author of SB 1177.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1356

On motion of Senator Hughes, Senator Zaffirini will be shown as Co-author of SB 1356.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1385

On motion of Senator Creighton, Senator Menéndez will be shown as Co-author of SB 1385.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1615

On motion of Senator Bettencourt, Senator Gutierrez will be shown as Co-author of SB 1615.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1831

On motion of Senator Taylor, Senators Bettencourt, Hinojosa, Huffman, and Menéndez will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 1831**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1922

On motion of Senator Lucio, Senator Perry will be shown as Co-author of SB 1922.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2051

On motion of Senator Menéndez, Senator Campbell will be shown as Co-author of SB 2051.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2058

On motion of Senator Menéndez, Senator Lucio will be shown as Co-author of SB 2058.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 2116

On motion of Senator Campbell, Senators Buckingham and Nelson will be shown as Co-authors of SB 2116.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2122

On motion of Senator Hughes, Senator Schwertner will be shown as Co-author of **SB 2122**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 2202

On motion of Senator Creighton, Senators Hall and Schwertner will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 2202**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 2212

On motion of Senator West, Senators Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Hinojosa, and Menéndez will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 2212**.

CO-SPONSOR OF HOUSE BILL 2089

On motion of Senator Perry, Senator Seliger will be shown as Co-sponsor of **HB 2089**.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Memorial Resolutions

SR 303 by Zaffirini, In memory of Fernando Daniel Cuellar.

SR 304 by Zaffirini, In memory of William Wayne "Bill" Janecek.

SR 305 by Springer and Gutierrez, In memory of Larry McMurtry.

SR 306 by Powell, In memory of Diann Tavender Stadler.

Congratulatory Resolutions

SR 294 by Paxton, Recognizing Tracey Cline on the occasion of her retirement.

SR 295 by Springer, Recognizing Wayne Nabors for his service on the Celina City Council.

SR 296 by Springer, Recognizing Samuel Eluemunoh for winning the state finals of the Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest.

SR 297 by Springer, Recognizing Shanda C. Larsen for being named a Boys & Girls Clubs Regional Youth of the Year.

SR 298 by Springer, Recognizing Carla Johnson for being named one of the Heroes of the University of North Texas Health Science Center.

SR 299 by Springer, Recognizing Blake Belcher for his induction into the Howard Payne University Sports Hall of Fame.

SR 300 by Springer, Recognizing Rubén Martínez Peláez for attaining United States citizenship.

SR 301 by Springer, Recognizing Nora Catherine Kincannon Mack on the occasion of her 103rd birthday.

SR 302 by Springer, Recognizing Leif Clayton Inocian for being selected as a delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

SR 307 by Powell, Birdwell, and Hancock, Recognizing Jeff Williams for his service to the City of Arlington.

SR 308 by Powell, Hancock, and Nelson, Recognizing Betsy Price for her service to the City of Fort Worth.

RECESS AND MOTION TO ADJOURN

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the Senate at 12:29 p.m. agreed to recess until 8:00 a.m. tomorrow for the Local and Uncontested Calendar Session.

The Senate further agreed to adjourn, pending the receipt of committee reports, upon conclusion of the Local and Uncontested Calendar Session, until 4:00 p.m. Monday, April 26, 2021.

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

April 22, 2021

TRANSPORTATION — HB 1081, HB 1116, HB 2677, HB 2678, SB 1185, SB 1910, SB 1865, SB 1990, SB 2012, CSSB 206

FINANCE — CSSB 321

HIGHER EDUCATION — CSSB 810, CSSB 1521, SB 1860, CSSB 1797

STATE AFFAIRS — CSHB 1514, CSSB 1589, CSSB 162, CSSB 1509, CSSB 1339 JURISPRUDENCE — SB 315

BILLS ENGROSSED

April 22, 2021

SB 68, SB 1102, SB 1158, SB 1385, SB 1449, SB 1615, SB 2212

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

April 22, 2021

SR 268, SR 294, SR 295, SR 296, SR 297, SR 298, SR 299, SR 300, SR 301, SR 302, SR 303, SR 304, SR 305, SR 306, SR 307, SR 308

SENT TO GOVERNOR

April 22, 2021

SB 270