

# SENATE JOURNAL

EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE — SECOND CALLED SESSION

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AUSTIN, TEXAS

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PROCEEDINGS

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**FIRST DAY**

(Continued)

(Tuesday, July 11, 2023)

**AFTER RECESS**

The Senate met at 3:00 p.m. and was called to order by Senator King.

## **MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

The following Message from the Governor was read and was filed with the Secretary of the Senate:

STATE OF TEXAS

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

MESSAGE

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH TEXAS LEGISLATURE, SECOND CALLED SESSION:

WHEREAS, the people of Texas through their state constitution have placed in the hands of the governor the power to call and set the agenda for special sessions of the legislature; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a gubernatorial proclamation issued on June 27, 2023, the members of the 88th Legislature convened in a Second Called Session to consider the initial list of subjects designated in that proclamation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article III, Section 40, and Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution, do hereby present the following additional subjects to the 88th Legislature, Second Called Session, for consideration:

Legislation relating to providing property tax relief through the public school finance system, exemptions, limitations on appraisals and taxes, and property tax administration.

Legislation relating to the amount of the total revenue exemption for the franchise tax and the exclusion of certain taxable entities from the requirement to file a franchise tax report.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Greg Abbott  
Governor

Austin, Texas  
July 10, 2023

### **SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING**

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

#### **SB 2** by Bettencourt

Relating to providing property tax relief through the public school finance system, exemptions, limitations on appraisals and taxes, and property tax administration; authorizing the imposition of a fee.

To Committee on Finance.

#### **SB 3** by Bettencourt

Relating to the amount of the total revenue exemption for the franchise tax and the exclusion of certain taxable entities from the requirement to file a franchise tax report.

To Committee on Finance.

### **RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION**

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

#### **Memorial Resolutions**

**SR 17** by West, In memory of Stephen Charles Nash Sr.

**SR 19** by Creighton, In memory of Linnie Evelyn Stephenson Standley.

**SR 26** by Blanco, In memory of Mike Dipp Jr.

**SR 29** by West, In memory of Venita Lynn Dillingham Anderson.

#### **Congratulatory Resolutions**

**SR 16** by Flores, Recognizing Timothy Neuman on the occasion of his graduation from the Commissioners Court Leadership Academy.

**SR 18** by Creighton, Recognizing Rebecca Smith for her contributions to foster youth and families in Montgomery and Harris Counties.

**SR 20** by Creighton, Recognizing the 100th Texas State Convention of the National Association of Postal Supervisors.

**SR 21** by Creighton, Recognizing Bobby and Lindsey Kasprzak for their contributions to Montgomery County.

**SR 22** by Schwertner, Recognizing Karen Champion for her election as president of the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards.

**SR 23** by Schwertner, Recognizing the staff of the Sunset Advisory Commission for their service.

**SR 24** by Schwertner, Recognizing Tara Rejino on the occasion of her retirement.

**SR 25** by Johnson, Hall, Parker, and West, Recognizing the 40th anniversary of Dallas Area Rapid Transit.

**SR 27** by Blanco, Recognizing the 70th anniversary of Chico's Tacos in El Paso.

**SR 28** by West, Recognizing Rod Paige on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

**RECESS**

On motion of Senator Zaffirini, the Senate at 3:02 p.m. recessed until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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**APPENDIX**

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**RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED**

July 11, 2023

**SR 16, SR 17, SR 18, SR 19, SR 20, SR 21, SR 22, SR 23, SR 24, SR 25, SR 26, SR 27, SR 28, SR 29**

