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PROCEEDINGS

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY

(Wednesday, March 29, 2023)

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

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

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

Pastor Eric P. Kuykendall, Trinity Bible Church, Willow Park, offered the invocation as follows:

Build this house. Our heavenly Father, we come today with great reverence because You and You alone are the sovereign one who has determined the times and places in which we live. We also come with great gratitude because of the privilege You have given the men and women of the Texas Senate to serve with all their might as Your ambassadors for the good of every Texan. Our request is simple, build this house. Cause the foundation of this house to be one of humility, its four walls kindness, collaboration, gratitude, and sacrifice. May each chair within it be built with integrity, and may its roof be one of charity. Please grant our requests so the leaders of the Texas Senate may serve as one and be an example to other governing bodies across our land. Father, the stakes the men and women of this Chamber face are high, and unless You build this house, they labor in vain. So, build this house. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, love of God the Father, and fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all as you serve for your happiness, the good of every Texan, and the glory of King Jesus, in whose name I pray. 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.

GUEST PRESENTED

Senator Flores was recognized and introduced to the Senate Dianne Gattuso and congratulated her for 50 years of service at the Secretary of State's office.

The Senate welcomed its guest.

SENATE RESOLUTION 349

Senator King offered the following resolution:

SR 349, Recognizing March 29, 2023, as Parker County Day.

KING
SPRINGER

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator King, joined by Senator Springer, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Parker County Day delegation including County Judge Pat Dean, Commissioners Mike Hale and Larry Walden, Weatherford Mayor Paul Paschall, Weatherford Councilmember Matt Ticzkus, Springtown Mayor Greg Hood, Springtown ISD Board President Rick Beall, County Attorney John Forrest, Weatherford College Trustee Doug Dowd, Hudson Oaks Councilmembers Daniel Cross and Brian Lixey, Aledo Mayor Nick Stanley, Weatherford ISD school board member Toby Taylor, and Hudson Oaks Mayor Tom Fitzpatrick.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 358

Senator LaMantia offered the following resolution:

SR 358, Recognizing the Texas Association for Behavioral Analysis Public Policy Group on the occasion of TxABA PPG Day, March 29, 2023.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator LaMantia was recognized and introduced to the Senate a TxABA PPG Day delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY

Senator Alvarado was recognized and presented Dr. Roseanne Popp of Houston as the Physician of the Day.

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

(President in Chair)

SENATE RESOLUTION 364

Senator Paxton offered the following resolution:

SR 364, Recognizing March 28 and 29, 2023, as Collin County Days.

PAXTON
HALL
SPRINGER

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Paxton, joined by Senators Hall and Springer, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Collin County Days delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 367

Senator Hinojosa offered the following resolution:

SR 367, Recognizing March 29, 2023, as Mission Day.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Hinojosa was recognized and introduced to the Senate a City of Mission delegation including Mayor Norie Garza, Councilmembers Ruben Plata and Jessica Ortega, City Manager Randy Perez, and René Alcalá.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 363

Senator Bettencourt offered the following resolution:

SR 363, In memory of Bryan Taylor Kelting.

BETTENCOURT
MIDDLETON

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Bettencourt, **SR 363** was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In honor of the memory of Bryan Taylor Kelting, the text of the resolution is printed at the end of today's *Senate Journal*.

Senator Bettencourt, joined by Senator Middleton, was recognized and introduced to the Senate friends and family of Bryan Kelting including his mother, Deborah Kelting Fite and stepfather, Ralph Fite.

The Senate welcomed its guests and extended its sympathy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 362

Senator Creighton offered the following resolution:

SR 362, In memory of Jimmy Don Blair.

CREIGHTON KOLKHORST
BETTENCOURT NICHOLS

CAMPBELL
HUFFMAN

PARKER
ZAFFIRINI

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Creighton, **SR 362** was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In honor of the memory of Jimmy Don Blair, the text of the resolution is printed at the end of today's *Senate Journal*.

Senator Creighton, joined by Senators Nichols, Alvarado, Sparks, Miles, Bettencourt, and Whitmire, was recognized and introduced to the Senate friends and family of Jimmy Don Blair including his wife, Nelda Blair; his daughter, Maris Blair; his son-in-law, David Hall; and his sister-in-law, Kimberly Dollar.

The Senate welcomed its guests and extended its sympathy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 366

Senator Springer offered the following resolution:

SR 366, In memory of Patricia Martin.

SPRINGER
KING

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Springer, **SR 366** was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In honor of the memory of Patricia Martin, the text of the resolution is printed at the end of today's *Senate Journal*.

Senator Springer, joined by Senator King, was recognized and introduced to the Senate family and friends of Patricia Martin including her son, Brandon Chenault and his wife, Rakisha Chenault.

The Senate welcomed its guests and extended its sympathy.

SENATE RESOLUTION 359

Senator Creighton offered the following resolution:

SR 359, Recognizing March 29, 2023, as Texas Association of Builders Day.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Creighton, joined by Senators Perry, Menéndez, and Campbell, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas Association of Builders Day delegation including President Donnie Evans, First Vice-president Don Allen, Vice-president/Secretary Brett Martin, Treasurer Justin MacDonald, Immediate Past President Gene Lantrip, and Executive Director Scott Norman.

The Senate welcomed its guest.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND PRESENTATION OF GAVELS

The President, joined by Senators Whitmire and Bettencourt, acknowledged Senators Alvarado, Campbell, Eckhardt, Huffman, Kolkhorst, LaMantia, Paxton, and Zaffirini for Women's History Month.

The President presented an honorary gavel to the Senators for their contributions and service as women in the Texas Senate.

The President also acknowledged Senator Zaffirini for being the first female Mexican American Senator elected to the Texas Senate and the longest serving woman Senator.

The other Members rose in honor of all eight women Senators.

SENATE RESOLUTION 370

Senator Parker offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Many students in Texas 4-H are gathering in Austin on March 29, 2023, in celebration of 4-H Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Established as an agricultural club in Jack County in 1908, 4-H is now the largest youth development program in the state, with more than 550,000 students from every Texas county taking part each year; the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Prairie View A&M Cooperative Extension Program administer the program and are assisted by more than 29,000 trained volunteers; and

WHEREAS, The organization's name stands for Head, Heart, Hands, and Health, reflecting different aspects of an individual's personal and social responsibilities; guided by the motto "to make the best better," today's clubs emphasize leadership, citizenship, and strong character, help members to acquire valuable life skills, and foster readiness for college and the workplace; participants have the opportunity to engage in projects related not only to agriculture but also to science, engineering, technology, natural resources, and healthy lifestyles; in Texas, the most popular programs are food and nutrition, agriculture awareness and education, gardening and horticulture, and veterinary science; and

WHEREAS, According to a study conducted by the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development at Tufts University, 4-H participants are four times more likely than their peers to contribute to their communities; they are also twice as likely to make healthier choices and to participate in science programs outside of school; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, 4-H has enriched the lives of countless youths across the Lone Star State, and the program's alumni have gone on to make a lasting, positive difference in their communities and beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Texas Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature hereby recognize March 29, 2023, as 4-H Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those in attendance sincere best wishes for a memorable and productive event.

SR 370 was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Parker, joined by Senators Kolkhorst and Blanco, was recognized and introduced to the Senate a 4-H Day delegation of students.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

HOUSE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 - 1

The Honorable President of the Senate

Senate Chamber

Austin, Texas

Mr. President:

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

THE HOUSE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

HCR 95 Rogers

In memory of Patricia "Pat" Martin of Parker County.

Respectfully,

/s/Stephen Brown,
Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

AT EASE

The President at 12:44 p.m. announced the Senate would stand At Ease subject to the call of the Chair.

IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The President at 1:04 p.m. called the Senate to order as In Legislative Session.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The President at 1:04 p.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SENATE BILL 10 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 10** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 10, Relating to certain benefits paid by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

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

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

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 10 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 10** 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 922 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Hughes and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 922** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 922, Relating to legislative leave for certain peace officers commissioned 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.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 922 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Hughes moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 922** 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 190 ON SECOND READING

Senator Miles moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 190** at this time on its second reading:

SB 190, Relating to the civil penalty for certain signs placed on the right-of-way of a public road.

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

Yeas: Alvarado, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, Kolkhorst, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Hall, Hughes, King, Middleton, Paxton, Springer.

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

SENATE BILL 190 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 **SB 190** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Alvarado, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, Johnson, Kolkhorst, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Hall, King, Middleton, Paxton.

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

Yeas: Alvarado, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, Kolkhorst, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Hall, Hughes, King, Middleton, Paxton, Springer.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1318 ON SECOND READING

Senator Huffman moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1318** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1318, Relating to the release of defendants on bail, the duties of a magistrate in certain criminal proceedings, and the notice provided by peace officers to adult victims of family violence.

The motion prevailed.

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

The bill was read second time.

Senator Miles offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 1318** (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Article 16.22(a)(1), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(1) Not later than 12 hours after the sheriff or municipal jailer having custody of a defendant for an offense punishable as a Class B misdemeanor or any higher category of offense receives credible information that may establish reasonable cause to believe that the defendant has a mental illness or is a person with an intellectual disability, the sheriff or municipal jailer shall provide written or electronic notice to the magistrate. The notice must include any information related to the

sheriff's or municipal jailer's determination, such as information regarding the defendant's behavior immediately before, during, and after the defendant's arrest and, if applicable, the results of any previous assessment of the defendant. On a determination that there is reasonable cause to believe that the defendant has a mental illness or is a person with an intellectual disability, or on request by the defendant or a person related to the defendant within the first degree of consanguinity or affinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code, the magistrate, except as provided by Subdivision (2), shall order the service provider that contracts with the jail to provide mental health or intellectual and developmental disability services, the local mental health authority, the local intellectual and developmental disability authority, or another qualified mental health or intellectual and developmental disability expert to:

(A) interview the defendant if the defendant has not previously been interviewed by a qualified mental health or intellectual and developmental disability expert on or after the date the defendant was arrested for the offense for which the defendant is in custody and otherwise collect information regarding whether the defendant has a mental illness as defined by Section 571.003, Health and Safety Code, or is a person with an intellectual disability as defined by Section 591.003, Health and Safety Code, including, if applicable, information obtained from any previous assessment of the defendant and information regarding any previously recommended treatment or service; and

(B) provide to the magistrate a written report of an interview described by Paragraph (A) and the other information collected under that paragraph on the form approved by the Texas Correctional Office on Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments under Section 614.0032(c), Health and Safety Code.

The amendment to **CSSB 1318** was read and failed of adoption by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 20.

Yeas: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

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

CSSB 1318 was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Nays: Eckhardt.

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 1318 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 1318** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Nays: Eckhardt.

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

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 371 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Eckhardt and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 371** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 371, Relating to the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program.

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

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

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 371 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Eckhardt moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 371** 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 747 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Hughes again moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 747** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 747, Relating to the withdrawal of a candidate in a runoff primary election.

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

Yeas: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Alvarado, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Whitmire.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Hughes offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 747** (senate committee report) in SECTION 2 of the bill, in amended Section 172.059(c), Election Code (page 1, line 39), by striking "If a runoff candidate withdraws" and substituting "If the runoff candidate who received the most votes cast withdraws".

The amendment to **CSSB 747** 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 747 as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Gutierrez, Johnson, LaMantia, Miles, Whitmire.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 747 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Hughes moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 747** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Hall, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Menéndez, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer, West, Zaffirini.

Nays: Gutierrez, Johnson, LaMantia, Miles, Whitmire.

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

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 895 ON SECOND READING**

Senator Johnson moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 895** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 895, Relating to the regulation of money services businesses; creating a criminal offense; creating administrative penalties; authorizing the imposition of a fee.

The motion prevailed.

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

The bill was read second time.

(Senator Flores in Chair)

Senator Johnson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 895** (senate committee report), in SECTION 1.01 of the bill, as follows:

(1) In added Section 152.003(16), Finance Code (page 3, lines 7 and 8), strike "by a provider of money transmission services".

(2) In added Section 152.003(19), Finance Code (page 3, lines 33 through 35), strike "is fully backed by sovereign currency and grants the holder the right to redeem the coin for sovereign currency from the issuer" and substitute the following:

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(A) is pegged to a sovereign currency;

(B) is fully backed by assets held in reserve; and

(C) grants a holder of the stablecoin the right to redeem the stablecoin for sovereign currency from the issuer

(3) In added Section 152.004, Finance Code (page 5, lines 56 through 69), strike added Subdivision (3) and substitute the following:

(3) a person who acts as an intermediary by processing payments between an entity that has directly incurred an outstanding money transmission obligation to a sender, and the sender's designated recipient, provided that the entity that has incurred the outstanding money transmission obligation:

(A) is licensed or exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter;

(B) provides a receipt, electronic record, or other written confirmation to the sender identifying the entity as the provider of money transmission in the transaction; and

(C) bears sole responsibility to satisfy the outstanding money transmission obligation to the sender, including the obligation to make the sender whole in connection with a failure to transmit the funds to the sender's designated recipient;

(4) In added Subchapter B, Chapter 152, Finance Code (page 8, between lines 19 and 20), insert the following:

Sec. 152.056. INVESTIGATIONS. (a) The commissioner may conduct investigations in or outside this state and the United States as the commissioner considers necessary or appropriate to administer and enforce this chapter.

(b) For purposes of an investigation, examination, or other proceeding under this chapter, the commissioner may:

(1) administer oaths or cause oaths to be administered;

(2) subpoena witnesses;

(3) compel the attendance of witnesses;

(4) take evidence; and

(5) require the production of any document that the commissioner determines to be relevant to the inquiry.

(c) If a person refuses to obey a subpoena, a district court of Travis County, on application by the commissioner, may issue an order requiring the person to appear before the commissioner and produce documents or give evidence regarding the matter under investigation.

(d) The commissioner may employ a person or request the attorney general, the Department of Public Safety, or any other state, federal, or local law enforcement agency to assist in enforcing this chapter.

(e) The commissioner may recover the reasonable costs incurred in connection with an investigation conducted under this chapter from the person that is the subject of the investigation.

(5) Renumber subsequent sections of added Subchapter B, Chapter 152, Finance Code, accordingly, and correct cross-references to sections within Chapter 152 as necessary.

(6) In added Section 152.060, Finance Code (page 9, lines 41 through 43), strike added Subsection (b) and substitute the following:

(b) The presumption under Subsection (a) may be rebutted by evidence that the person who is presumed to exercise a controlling influence under Subsection (a) is a passive investor.

(7) In added Section 152.104(c), Finance Code (page 12, lines 7 through 10), strike added Subdivision (7) and substitute the following:

(7) if the application is for a currency exchange license, or if the application is for a money transmission license and the commissioner otherwise determines it to be acceptable, certified unaudited financial statements for the most recent fiscal year or other period acceptable to the commissioner;

The amendment to **CSSB 895** was read.

Senator Johnson moved to postpone further consideration of the bill to a time certain of 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed.

Question: Shall Floor Amendment No. 1 to **CSSB 895** be adopted?

SENATE BILL 505 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 505** at this time on its second reading:

SB 505, Relating to imposing an additional fee for the registration of an electric vehicle.

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 505 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 505** 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 1001 ON SECOND READING

Senator Schwertner moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 1001** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 1001, Relating to the regulation of electric vehicle supply equipment; requiring an occupational registration; authorizing fees; authorizing an administrative penalty.

The motion prevailed.

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

The bill was read second time.

Senator Schwertner offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **CSSB 1001** (senate committee printing) in SECTION 1 of the bill, by striking added Section 2311.0303(a), Occupations Code (page 3, lines 3 through 7), and substituting the following:

(a) Specifications and tolerances for electric vehicle supply equipment shall be the same as those recommended by the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

The amendment to **CSSB 1001** 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 Schwertner offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **CSSB 1001** (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, immediately following added Section 2311.0303(c), Occupations Code (page 3, between lines 11 and 12), insert the following:

(d) This subsection expires December 31, 2033. Notwithstanding any other law:

(1) electric vehicle supply equipment installed before December 31, 2023, is exempt from the requirements of this section until the 10th anniversary of the date the rules described by Subsection (c) are adopted; and

(2) until the 10th anniversary described by Subdivision (1), an electric vehicle supply provider that owns or operates electric vehicle supply equipment described by Subdivision (1) shall provide, free of charge to users, a universal adapter for dispensing electrical energy to electric vehicles at the location of the equipment.

(2) In SECTION 2 of the bill, providing transition language:

(A) strike "(a)" (page 4, line 1); and

(B) strike Subsection (b) of the SECTION (page 4, lines 4 through 9).

The amendment to **CSSB 1001** 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.

CSSB 1001 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: Hall, Hughes, Middleton.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 1001 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Schwertner moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 1001** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Yeas: Alvarado, Bettencourt, Birdwell, Blanco, Campbell, Creighton, Eckhardt, Flores, Gutierrez, Hancock, Hinojosa, Huffman, Johnson, King, Kolkhorst, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Hall, Hughes, Middleton.

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

SENATE BILL 936 ON SECOND READING

Senator Hancock moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 936** at this time on its second reading:

SB 936, Relating to certain agreements with collective bargaining organizations related to certain publicly funded public work contracts.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 12.

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

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

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 12. (Same as previous roll call)

SENATE BILL 1602 ON SECOND READING

Senator Hughes moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 1602** at this time on its second reading:

SB 1602, Relating to venue and choice of law for certain actions involving censorship by social media platforms.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Zaffirini 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: Zaffirini.

SENATE BILL 1602 ON THIRD READING

Senator Hughes moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 1602** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

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

Nays: Zaffirini.

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

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 15 ON THIRD READING

Senator Middleton moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **CSSB 15** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

CSSB 15, Relating to requiring public institution of higher education students who compete in intercollegiate athletic competitions to compete based on biological sex.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 10, Present-not voting 2.

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

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, West, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Present-not voting: Hinojosa, Johnson.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 10, Present-not voting 2. (Same as previous roll call)

(President in Chair)

(President Pro Tempore Hancock in Chair)

(President in Chair)

SENATE BILL 14 ON SECOND READING

Senator Campbell moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 14** at this time on its second reading:

SB 14, Relating to prohibitions on the provision to certain children of procedures and treatments for gender transitioning, gender reassignment, or gender dysphoria and on the use of public money or public assistance to provide those procedures and treatments.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 11, Present-not voting 1.

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

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Present-not voting: West.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Campbell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 14** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 161.703, Health and Safety Code (page 2, line 18), between "EXCEPTIONS." and "Section 161.702", insert "(a)".

(2) In SECTION 2 of the bill, immediately following added Section 161.703, Health and Safety Code (page 2, between lines 35 and 36), insert the following:

(b) Section 161.702 does not apply to the provision by a physician or health care provider of a nonsurgical gender transitioning or gender reassignment procedure or treatment to a child if the procedure or treatment is continuing a procedure or course of treatment that began 90 days before the effective date of this Act.

(3) In SECTION 8 of the bill, (page 4, line 44), by striking "December 1, 2023" and substituting "September 1, 2023".

The amendment to **SB 14** 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 Menéndez offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **SB 14** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in the heading to added Subchapter X, Chapter 161, Health and Safety Code (page 1, line 35), strike "AND TREATMENTS".

(2) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in the heading to added Section 161.702, Health and Safety Code (page 1, line 49), strike "AND TREATMENTS".

(3) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 161.702(3), Health and Safety Code, strike page 2, line 7, through page 2, line 14, and renumber the remaining subdivisions accordingly.

(4) In SECTION 2 of the bill, strike added Section 161.703, Health and Safety Code (page 2, lines 18-35), and substitute the following:

Sec. 161.703. EXCEPTIONS. Section 161.702 does not apply to the provision by a physician or health care provider, with the consent of the child's parent or legal guardian, of appropriate and medically necessary procedures to a child who:

(1) is born with a medically verifiable genetic disorder of sex development, including:

(A) 46,XX chromosomes with virilization;

(B) 46,XY chromosomes with undervirilization; or

(C) both ovarian and testicular tissue; or

(2) does not have the normal sex chromosome structure for male or female as determined by a physician through genetic testing.

(5) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 161.704, Health and Safety Code (page 2, line 40), strike "or treatment".

(6) In SECTION 2 of the bill, in added Section 161.705, Health and Safety Code (page 2, line 46), strike "or treatment".

(7) In SECTION 4 of the bill, in added Section 164.052(a)(24), Occupations Code (page 4, line 15), strike "or treatment".

(8) In SECTION 5 of the bill, in the heading to added Section 164.0552, Occupations Code (page 4, line 20), strike "AND TREATMENTS".

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The amendment to **SB 14** was read and failed of adoption by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 19, Present-not voting 1.

Yeas: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer.

Present-not voting: West.

Senator Menéndez offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 3

Amend **SB 14** (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. The heading to Chapter 105, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 105. UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT BY CERTAIN PROVIDERS
[~~HEALTH CARE PROVIDER~~]

SECTION _____. Chapter 105, Occupations Code, is amended by designating Sections 105.001 and 105.002 as Subchapter A and adding a subchapter heading to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER A. UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT BY HEALTH CARE
PROVIDER

SECTION _____. Section 105.001, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 105.001. DEFINITION. In this subchapter [~~chapter~~], "health care provider" means a person who furnishes services under a license, certificate, registration, or other authority issued by this state or another state to diagnose, prevent, alleviate, or cure a human illness or injury.

SECTION _____. Chapter 105, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subchapter B to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER B. UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT BY MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER

Sec. 105.051. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Child" means an individual younger than 18 years of age.
(2) "Gender identity or expression" means an individual's having, or being perceived as having, a gender-related identity, appearance, expression, or behavior, whether or not that identity, appearance, expression, or behavior is different from that commonly associated with the individual's assigned sex at birth.

(3) "Mental health provider" means:

(A) a behavior analyst licensed under Chapter 506;

(B) a chemical dependency counselor licensed under Chapter 504;

(C) a licensed professional counselor licensed under Chapter 503;

(D) a marriage and family therapist licensed under Chapter 502;

(E) a nurse licensed under Chapter 301;

(F) a physician licensed under Subtitle B;

(G) a psychologist licensed under Chapter 501;

(H) a sex offender treatment provider licensed under Chapter 110;

(I) a social worker licensed under Chapter 505;

(J) a special officer for offenders with mental impairments certified under Section 1701.404; or

(K) another individual licensed by this state to provide professional therapy or counseling services.

(4) "Sexual orientation" means the actual or perceived status of an individual with respect to the individual's sexuality.

Sec. 105.052. UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT. (a) A mental health provider engages in unprofessional conduct if, in the course of providing services to a child, the mental health provider attempts to:

(1) change the child's sexual orientation, including by attempting to change the child's behavior or gender identity or expression; or

(2) eliminate or reduce the child's sexual or romantic attractions or feelings toward individuals of the same sex.

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply to counseling that:

(1) provides acceptance, support, and understanding of a child or facilitates a child's coping, social support, and identity exploration and development, including sexual orientation-neutral interventions to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual practices, if that counseling does not seek to change sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; or

(2) provides support to a child undergoing gender transition in accordance with established standards of care.

(c) A mental health provider who commits unprofessional conduct under Subsection (a) is subject to disciplinary action by any state regulatory entity with the power to take disciplinary action against that mental health provider.

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The amendment to **SB 14** was read and failed of adoption by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 19, Present-not voting 1.

Yeas: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Nays: Bettencourt, Birdwell, Campbell, Creighton, Flores, Hall, Hancock, Huffman, Hughes, King, Kolkhorst, Middleton, Nichols, Parker, Paxton, Perry, Schwertner, Sparks, Springer.

Present-not voting: West.

SB 14 as amended was passed to engrossment by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 11, Present-not voting 1.

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

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Present-not voting: West.

SENATE BILL 162 ON THIRD READING

Senator Perry moved to suspend the regular order of business to take up for consideration **SB 162** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

SB 162, Relating to the required inclusion of a person's sex on a birth certificate and prohibited change of sex on the birth certificate of certain minors.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 11, Present-not voting 1.

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

Nays: Alvarado, Blanco, Eckhardt, Gutierrez, Hinojosa, Johnson, LaMantia, Menéndez, Miles, Whitmire, Zaffirini.

Present-not voting: West.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 19, Nays 11, Present-not voting 1. (Same as previous roll call)

SESSION TO CONSIDER EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

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

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

The President asked if there were requests to sever nominees.

There were no requests offered.

NOMINEES CONFIRMED

The following nominees, as reported by the Committee on Nominations, were confirmed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Adjutant General, Texas Military Department: Thomas Michael Suelzer, Tarrant County.

Presiding Officer, Alamo Regional Mobility Authority: Michael J. Lynd, Bexar County.

Members, Board of Directors, Angelina and Neches River Authority: Erin L. Holloway, Smith County; Dale Glenn Morton, Nacogdoches County; Francis Green Spruiell, Shelby County.

Members, Board of Pardons and Paroles: Elodia Gutierrez Brito, Randall County; Brian Andrew Long, Gregg County; Marsha Swaney Moberley, Brazoria County.

Presiding Officer, Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority: Frank Parker, Cameron County.

Presiding Officer, Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority: Joyce A. Wilson, El Paso County.

Commissioner, Canadian River Compact Commission: Roger Stephen Cox, Randall County.

Members, Commission on State Emergency Communications: Edwina L. Lane, Fannin County; Larry Layne VanSteenberg, Montgomery County; Von Cheyenne Washington, El Paso County.

Members, Council on Sex Offender Treatment: Elizabeth Lynn Cox, Bexar County; Andrea K. Milcah Ortiz, Dallas County.

Members, Board of Trustees, Employees Retirement System of Texas: Ira Craig Hester, Travis County; John Richard Rutherford, Harris County.

Members, Finance Commission of Texas: Robert Ivan Borochoff, Harris County; Glen Martin Green, Dallas County; Phillip Andrew Holt, Fannin County; Deborah Sue Scanlon, Fort Bend County.

Members, Board of Directors, Lower Neches Valley Authority: Lonnie Bee Grissom, Tyler County; Virginia Pate, Jefferson County; Juanita Jean Thomas Turk, Hardin County.

Members, Manufactured Housing Board: Ronald Maxie Richards, Galveston County; Keith C. Thompson, Lubbock County.

Members, Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority: Charla Kay Scott Brotherton, Tarrant County; Rebecca Cantu-Serrano, Harris County; Miguel Angel Rodriguez, Webb County; Patrick D. Smith, Tarrant County.

Presiding Officer, North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority: Gary Norman Halbrooks, Smith County.

Presiding Officer, North Texas Tollway Authority Board of Directors: Frankie Gravley, Grayson County.

Commissioner, Pecos River Compact Commission: Frederic H. S. Tate, Presidio County.

Members, Product Development and Small Business Incubator Board: Edward J. Crawford, Dallas County; Manuel Salazar, Kleberg County.

Members, Board of Directors, Red River Authority of Texas: Jerry Bob Daniel, Knox County; Tonya Denise Detten, Potter County; Conrad James Masterson, Cottle County.

Commissioner, Red River Compact Commission: Robin Lynn Phillips, Grayson County.

Members, Board of Directors, Sabine River Authority of Texas: Elton Don Brock, Harrison County; Darrin Renard Rudolph, Gregg County; Jeanette Lynne Sterner, Wood County.

Member, Sabine River Compact Administration: Connie Wade Gipson, Gregg County.

Members, State Board for Educator Certification: Robert Brescia, Ector County; Cristina Isabel Galindo, Harris County; Bena Leanne Glasscock, Oldham County; Courtney Boswell MacDonald, Kerr County; Michael D. McFarland, Tarrant County; Scott Richard Muri, Ector County; Josue Raul Tamarez Torres, Kaufman County.

Members, State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners: Sandra Criner, Fort Bend County; Steven Craig Golla, Comal County; Keith Alan Pardue, Travis County.

Members, State Employee Charitable Campaign Policy Committee: Daniel Eugene Bivens, Travis County; Brent Daniel Connett, Travis County; Vanessa Lee Cortez Tanner, Travis County.

Chief Administrative Law Judge, State Office of Administrative Hearings: Kristofer S. Monson, Hays County.

Presiding Officer, Sulphur River Regional Mobility Authority: Jay Wiley Hodge, Lamar County.

Member, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission: Kevin J. Lilly, Harris County.

Members, Texas Crime Stoppers Council: Charles P. Gilmore, Potter County; Carlo G. Hernandez, Cameron County.

Members, Texas Military Preparedness Commission: Michael Lynn Boyd, Tom Green County; Thomas Carl Duncavage, Galveston County; Todd Michael Fox, Bell County; Benjamin Miranda, El Paso County; Annette Louise Sobel, Lubbock County; Michael Bob Starr, Taylor County; Timothy Watson Strawther, Gillespie County.

Member, Board of Trustees, Texas Municipal Retirement System: David A. Landis, Ochiltree County.

Members, Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists: John Kolbe Bielamowicz, Ellis County; Mark Edward Cartwright, Dallas County; Roxana Isabel Lambdin, Kerr County.

Members, Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners: Darren Keith Black, Taylor County; Milton Rodolfo Gutierrez, Williamson County; Thomas O. Rice, Harris County; Norma Alicia Yado, Hidalgo County.

Members, Texas State Library and Archives Commission: David Ryan Herring Iglesias, Smith County; Nancy Painter Paup, Tarrant County; Martha Doyle Jee Wong, Harris County.

Presiding Officer, Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority: Jed Alton Brown, Webb County.

SENATE RESOLUTION 369

Senator Hancock offered the following resolution:

SR 369, Recognizing March 29, 2023, as Vietnam Veterans Day.

HANCOCK	KING
BIRDWELL	KOLKHORST
CAMPBELL	PARKER
CREIGHTON	PERRY
HINOJOSA	SPARKS
HUGHES	WEST

The resolution 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 Hancock, the resolution was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

SENATE BILL 2110 REREFERRED (Motion In Writing)

Senator Johnson submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **SB 2110** be withdrawn from the Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development and rereferred to the Committee on Business and Commerce.

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

SENATE BILL 2111 REREFERRED
(Motion In Writing)

Senator Johnson submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **SB 2111** be withdrawn from the Committee on Business and Commerce and rereferred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Economic Development.

The Motion In Writing was read and prevailed without objection.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED
(Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Finance might meet in the Press Room, 2E.9, upon adjournment today.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

HOUSE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 - 2

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 446 Craddick

Relating to the terminology used in statute to refer to intellectual disability and certain references to abolished health and human services agencies.

HB 590 Bailes

Relating to the labeling and sale of Texas honey.

HB 608 Shaheen

Relating to the sale of fireworks before and during the Diwali holiday.

Respectfully,

/s/Stephen Brown,

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 14

On motion of Senator Campbell, Senators Creighton and Hancock will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 14**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 28

On motion of Senator Perry, Senators Creighton, Eckhardt, Hall, West, and Zaffirini will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 28**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 29

On motion of Senator Birdwell, Senator Kolkhorst will be shown as Co-author of **SB 29**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 162

On motion of Senator Perry, Senator Creighton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 162**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 190

On motion of Senator Miles, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 190**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 223

On motion of Senator Campbell, Senator Alvarado will be shown as Co-author of **SB 223**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 238

On motion of Senator Menéndez, Senator Johnson will be shown as Co-author of **SB 238**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 356

On motion of Senator Parker, Senator Hall will be shown as Co-author of **SB 356**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 371

On motion of Senator Eckhardt, Senators Birdwell and Blanco will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 371**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 505

On motion of Senator Nichols, Senators Creighton, Schwertner, and West will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 505**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 650

On motion of Senator Perry, Senator Creighton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 650**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 936

On motion of Senator Hancock, Senator Sparks will be shown as Co-author of **SB 936**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1045

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senator Creighton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1045**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 1602

On motion of Senator Hughes, Senators Creighton and Kolkhorst will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 1602**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1755

On motion of Senator Hinojosa, Senator Eckhardt will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1755**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1853

On motion of Senator Kolkhorst, Senator Hall will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1853**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 2242

On motion of Senator Kolkhorst, Senator Middleton will be shown as Co-author of **SB 2242**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 59

On motion of Senator Birdwell, Senator Eckhardt will be shown as Co-author of **SJR 59**.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 75

On motion of Senator Perry, Senators Eckhardt, Hall, West, and Zaffirini will be shown as Co-authors of **SJR 75**.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Memorial Resolution

SR 365 by Hughes, In memory of Aubrey Sharpe.

Congratulatory Resolution

SR 371 by Perry, Recognizing Jaroy Moore for more than 50 years of service to the State of Texas.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Whitmire, the Senate at 4:07 p.m. adjourned, in honor of Emerson Hope Scruggs and in memory of Bryan Taylor Kelting, Jimmy Don Blair, and Patricia "Pat" Martin, 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:

March 29, 2023

WATER, AGRICULTURE, AND RURAL AFFAIRS — CSSB 1414, CSSB 691, CSSB 1372

BORDER SECURITY — CSSB 423, CSSB 602, CSSB 617, CSSB 1133

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — SJR 28, SB 59, SB 322, SB 348, SB 349, SB 361, SB 580, SB 612, SB 1088, SB 1250, SB 1305, SB 1381, SB 1439, SB 1486, SB 1801, SB 2091, SB 2355

TRANSPORTATION — SB 280, SB 957, SCR 2, SB 2150, CSSB 1260

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — CSSB 929, CSSB 1191, CSSB 767, CSSB 158

BILLS ENGROSSED

March 29, 2023

SB 10, SB 15, SB 162, SB 190, SB 371, SB 505, SB 747, SB 922, SB 1001, SB 1318, SB 1602

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

March 29, 2023

SR 349, SR 358, SR 359, SR 362, SR 363, SR 364, SR 365, SR 366, SR 367, SR 369, SR 370, SR 371

**In Memory
of
Bryan Taylor Kelting
Senate Resolution 363**

WHEREAS, Family and friends have suffered an immeasurable loss with the untimely passing of Bryan Taylor Kelting of Houston on March 6, 2023, at the age of 31; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Kelting was born in Houston on February 26, 1992, to Deborah Kelting Fite and Mark Kelting, and his family included his two brothers, Dylan and Blake; a skilled and dedicated basketball player throughout his youth, he was a member of advanced AAU teams and played in the AAU Basketball Nationals in Memphis, Tennessee, in 2005; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Stratford High School, Mr. Kelting attended Texas A&M University, where he was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity; he earned a bachelor's degree in economics in 2014 and went on to enjoy a rewarding career as the director of sales for group benefits with EMG Insurance Brokerage; over the course of his exemplary seven-year tenure with the company, he was responsible for successfully structuring a group medical benefits department from the ground up; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kelting shared a rewarding relationship with his partner, Sarah Sgarbi, and the couple devoted themselves to fostering dogs that required specialized and attentive care; together, they worked with various shelters in an effort to give animals a chance at recovery, life, and finding their forever homes; and

WHEREAS, Although his journey on this earth ended far too soon, Bryan Kelting touched the lives of everyone around him in ways beyond measure with his compassion, empathy, and kindness, and they will forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Bryan Taylor Kelting and extend profound condolences to the members of his family: to his mother, Deborah Kelting Fite, and her husband, Ralph H. Fite; to his father, Mark Steven Kelting; to his brothers, Dylan Ray Leal and Blake Richard Kelting; to his loving companion, Sarah Sgarbi; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Bryan Kelting.

BETTENCOURT
MIDDLETON

In Memory
of
Jimmy Don Blair
Senate Resolution 362

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Jimmy Don Blair, who died in 2023 at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Don Blair was born on September 27, 1941, in the town of Borger in the Texas Panhandle; an accomplished athlete and student, he graduated from Borger High School and went on to attend Oklahoma University; a talented and adventurous young man, Jim earned his pilot license, and after deciding to pursue a career in law rather than medicine during his senior year, he flew to The University of Texas to enroll in law school; and

WHEREAS, Jim was admitted to the Texas Bar in 1967 and moved to the Texas Panhandle, where he served the City of Amarillo as assistant city attorney and as city judge; Jim also served as the assistant district attorney of Randall County before later relocating to Houston; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his time in public service, Jim sought to create more efficient and effective processes in local government to better serve citizens, and he and three other city attorneys formed a private law firm dedicated to performing essential services to aid local governments, beginning with the collection of delinquent property taxes; and

WHEREAS, Highly respected by his colleagues, community members, and clients, Jim was profoundly knowledgeable in many legal fields and used his expertise to improve the lives of others; he was instrumental in updating the Texas Property Tax Code by drafting legislation that penalized delinquent taxpayers rather than burdening taxing entities and other taxpaying citizens; and

WHEREAS, In 1980, Jim transferred his legal practice to Houston to be of service to more people; over ensuing decades, he and his partners altered the firm, which now is known as Linebarger, Goggan, Blair, and Sampson; he retired in 2006 and became a senior advisor to the firm; and

WHEREAS, Jim was a man of deep faith who gave unselfishly to others throughout his life; guided by a spirit of generosity, he hosted more than 300 fundraisers over 10 years and contributed to numerous philanthropic organizations, including disaster relief efforts, and foundations to support education, cancer patients, community clinics, and a food bank; and

WHEREAS, Named the hometown hero of The Woodlands in 2011, he was widely known and admired throughout the community, where he shared 35 rewarding years of marriage with Nelda Luce Blair; he was a devoted father to his daughter, Maris Ann Blair, and a loving father-in-law to her husband, David Hall, and, his kindness and wisdom were a source of light in the lives of those around him; he leaves behind an inspiring legacy of

generosity and service, and his memory will be forever cherished by his many loved ones and by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Jimmy Don Blair; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jim Blair.

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BETTENCOURT	NICHOLS
CAMPBELL	PARKER
HUFFMAN	ZAFFIRINI

**In Memory
of
Patricia Martin
Senate Resolution 366**

WHEREAS, Countless lives were touched by the kindness and generosity of Patricia Martin of Parker County, who passed away on December 10, 2022, at the age of 75; and

WHEREAS, Pat Martin was born to Fred and Bernice Rutledge on October 29, 1947, in Rotan and grew up with the companionship of three siblings, Karen, James, and Lynne; she moved with her family to Brock, where they lived for a few years before settling in Weatherford; a graduate of Weatherford College, she embarked on a career in land title insurance in 1974 and continued working in the industry for many years while raising her son, Brandon, as a single mother; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, she married Jimmy Martin, and together they created a blended family that included her stepchildren, Tracie, Tory, and Annabeth; a doting grandmother, Mrs. Martin treasured spending time with her 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Active in her community, Mrs. Martin held leadership roles with the Parker County Committee on Aging, the Weatherford Chamber of Commerce, and the Weatherford Independent School District Education Foundation, and she served on the Park View Terrace Housing Facility Board for a number of years; moreover, she was a founding member of the Parker County Health Foundation and was involved with the Weatherford Lions Club and Meals on Wheels; sustained by a deep and abiding faith, she was a valued congregant of Willow Park Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Known for her strength of character, her unconditional love, and her contagious laugh, Pat Martin brightened the world for all who knew her, and they will forever hold her close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Patricia Martin and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn her passing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Pat Martin.

SPRINGER
KING

