

## **SENATE FLOOR ACTION**

**Wednesday  
March 20, 2013**

**The Senate suspended the necessary rules to consider and finally pass:**

**SB 1 (CS) Williams**  
General Appropriations Bill.

**The Senate adopted the following resolutions:**

**SR 379 West**  
Welcoming members of the Leadership Southwest Class of 2013 to the State Capitol.

**SR 461 Duncan**  
Recognizing March 18 through 22, 2013, as Texas Retired Teachers Week at the State Capitol.

**SR 462 Watson**  
Congratulating Ken Kramer on the occasion of his retirement as executive director of the Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club.

**SR 492 Ellis**  
Declaring March 20, 2013, Texas Tobacco-Free Kids Day.

**SR 513 Fraser**  
Recognizing March 20, 2013, as Rural Water Day at the State Capitol.

**The Senate confirmed all nominees as reported by the Committee on Nominations.**

**Committee referral on the following:**

**SJR 63 Davis/ Ellis/ Garcia/ Lucio/  
Rodríguez/ et al.**  
Proposing a constitutional amendment appropriating money from the economic stabilization fund for purposes of public education.  
**Finance**

**SJR 64 Carona**  
Proposing a constitutional amendment providing immediate additional revenue for the state budget by creating the Texas Gaming Commission, and authorizing and regulating the operation of casino games and slot machines by a limited number of licensed operators and certain Indian tribes.  
**Business & Commerce**

**SCR 30 Uresti**  
Granting permission to the State of Texas to sue The University of Texas System.  
**Jurisprudence**

**SB 1543 Van de Putte**  
Relating to the administration of the Texas B-On-time loan program to permit a portion of tuition set-asides to be used to fund tuition exemptions for veterans and other student financial assistance.  
**Higher Education**

**SB 1601 Zaffirini**  
Relating to the creation of the Central Laredo Municipal Management District; providing authority to impose a tax, levy an assessment, impose a fee, and issue bonds.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1602 Zaffirini**  
Relating to reports and other information required of or held by institutions of higher education.  
**Government Organization**

- SB 1603** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to risk management at institutions of higher education.  
**Higher Education**
- SB 1604** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to asset management and acquisition by institutions of higher education.  
**Higher Education**
- SB 1605** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to an optional county fee for transportation projects.  
**Transportation**
- SB 1606** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to ad valorem tax liens on personal property.  
**Finance**
- SB 1607** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to funding for emergency medical air transportation provided to patients enrolled in the state Medicaid program; imposing a surcharge.  
**Health & Human Services**
- SB 1608** **Van de Putte**  
Relating to restricting certain state and school district assessments of public school students in prekindergarten and kindergarten.  
**Education**
- SB 1609** **Schwertner**  
Relating to the training of employees of certain covered entities.  
**Health & Human Services**
- SB 1610** **Schwertner**  
Relating to the notification of individuals following a breach of security of computerized data.  
**Business & Commerce**
- SB 1611** **Ellis/ Duncan/ et al.**  
Relating to discovery in a criminal case.  
**Criminal Justice**
- SB 1612** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to provide water and sewer service to areas within the municipal boundaries without obtaining a certificate of public convenience and necessity.  
**Natural Resources**
- SB 1613** **Zaffirini**  
Relating to the abolition of the Office of State-Federal Relations.  
**Government Organization**
- SB 1614** **Duncan**  
Relating to employer participation in the Healthy Texas Program.  
**State Affairs**
- SB 1615** **West**  
Relating to the administration of accelerated instruction programs.  
**Education**
- SB 1616** **West**  
Relating to authorizing a school district to establish a higher education scholarship endowment; authorizing a tax.  
**Education**
- SB 1617** **West**  
Relating to providing loan repayment assistance for physicians providing services to certain patients.  
**Higher Education**

**SB 1618** **West**  
Relating to public school accountability, including assessment, and curriculum requirements.  
**Education**

**SB 1620** **Paxton**  
Relating to certified Communication Access Realtime Translation providers.  
**Jurisprudence**

**SB 1621** **Whitmire**  
Relating to the dissemination of Criminal History Record Information.  
**Open Government**

**SB 1622** **Duncan**  
Relating to credit to certain ceding insurers for reinsurance ceded to certain certified assuming insurers.  
**Business & Commerce**

**SB 1623** **Hinojosa**  
Relating to districts in certain counties located on the Texas-Mexico border and amending Chapter 288 of the Health and Safety Code.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1624** **Davis**  
Relating to the establishment of regional water banks by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the Texas Water Development Board.  
**Natural Resources**

**SB 1625** **Davis**  
Relating to standards and procedures for determining whether a person who owns, operates, or manages a pipeline is a common carrier.  
**State Affairs**

**SB 1626** **Davis**  
Relating to the contents of and public access to personal financial statements filed by public officials and candidates.  
**State Affairs**

**SB 1627** **Lucio**  
Relating to the regulation of big cats and nonhuman primates; providing penalties.  
**Criminal Justice**

**SB 1628** **Van de Putte**  
Relating to unemployment compensation chargebacks regarding certain persons who are involuntarily separated from employment.  
**Economic Development**

**SB 1629** **West**  
Relating to the operation and administration of, and practice and procedures in courts in, the judicial branch of state government.  
**Jurisprudence**

**SB 1630** **West**  
Relating to the protection of defendants against vexatious litigants.  
**State Affairs**

**SB 1631** **Fraser/ et al.**  
Relating to water management planning by the Lower Colorado River Authority.  
**Natural Resources**

**SB 1632** **Hinojosa**  
Relating to the financing of transportation projects; authorizing fees.  
**Transportation**

**SB 1633** **Deuell**  
Relating to the sales tax treatment of a fundraising sale by a qualified organization.  
**Finance**

**SB 1634** **Deuell**  
Relating to the administration, collection, and enforcement of sales and use taxes.  
**Finance**

**SB 1635** **Deuell**  
Relating to the transfer of the assets of and the dissolution of the Dallas County Water Control and Improvement District No. 6.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1636** **Deuell**  
Relating to the facilitation and operation of space flight activities in this state.  
**Economic Development**

**SB 1637** **Duncan**  
Relating to the authority of the Railroad Commission of Texas to determine whether a person who owns, operates, or manages a pipeline is a common carrier.  
**State Affairs**

**SB 1638** **Deuell**  
Relating to information included in the report of the Texas Economic Development Bank regarding the enterprise zone program.  
**Economic Development**

**SB 1639** **Carona/ et al.**  
Relating to the application of foreign law and foreign forum selection in certain family law proceedings.  
**Jurisprudence**

**SB 1640** **Deuell**  
Relating to the allocation of enterprise project designations during a biennium.  
**Economic Development**

**SB 1641** **Williams**  
Relating to regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and disposition of controlled substances, precursors, and chemical laboratory apparatus; providing penalties; providing for a change in fees.  
**Health & Human Services**

**SB 1642** **Deuell**  
Relating to the number of enterprise projects the Texas Economic Development Bank may designate under the enterprise zone program.  
**Economic Development**

**SB 1643** **Williams**  
Relating to the monitoring of prescriptions for certain controlled substances.  
**Health & Human Services**

**SB 1644** **Williams**  
Relating to continuing medical education for physicians prescribing controlled substances.  
**Health & Human Services**

**SB 1645** **Williams**  
Relating to the addition of certain substances to Penalty Group 3 of the Texas Controlled Substances Act; providing penalties.  
**Criminal Justice**

**SB 1646** **Williams**  
Relating to the regulation of pain management services.  
**Health & Human Services**

**SB 1647** **Deuell**  
Relating to the Texas Economic Development Act.  
**Economic Development**

**SB 1648** **Williams**



Relating to the creation of Mesquite Medical Center Management District; providing authority to levy an assessment, impose a tax, and issue bonds.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1829 Williams**

Relating to the powers and duties of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 105; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose fees and taxes.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1830 Hegar**

Relating to the powers and duties of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 194.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1831 Hegar**

Relating to the power and duties of the Fulshear Municipal Utility District No. 1 of Fort Bend County.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1832 Uresti**

Relating to the operation of the juvenile board of Edwards County.

**Jurisprudence**

**SB 1833 Uresti**

Relating to the rate of the hotel occupancy tax in certain counties.

**Economic Development**

**SB 1834 Ellis**

Relating to the powers and duties of the Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1835 Hegar**

Relating to the Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District; providing authority to impose a voter-approved tax.

**Natural Resources**

**SB 1836 Deuell**

Relating to funding of the Texas Home Visiting Program.

**Health & Human Services**

**SB 1837 Hancock**

Relating to the appointment of directors for the Viridian Municipal Management District.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1838 Zaffirini**

Relating to the creation of the Cotton Center Municipal Utility District No. 2 of Caldwell County; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1839 Whitmire**

Relating to the detention of certain juvenile offenders.

**Criminal Justice**

**SB 1840 Nichols**

Relating to the creation of the Deep East Texas Groundwater Conservation District; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**Natural Resources**

**SB 1841 Taylor**

Relating to the creation of the Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No. 161; granting the power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or taxes.

**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 1842 Deuell**

Relating to rules for restraint and seclusion procedures at certain facilities.

**Health & Human Services**

## Hegar

## Intergovernmental Relations

**SB 997**

## Deuell

## Re-referred from Finance to Economic Development

## Paxton

### Re-referred from Finance to State Affairs

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