BILLS REFERRED TODAY

Tuesday January 27, 2015

Committee referral on the following:

SJR 6 Huffines

Proposing a constitutional amendment to provide qualifications for and limit the time that a person may serve in certain offices.

State Affairs

SJR 7 Hinojosa/ Eltife

Proposing a constitutional amendment excepting certain appropriations for reducing state debt from the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations.

Finance

SJR 8 Zaffirini

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional.

State Affairs

SCR 1 Creighton

Claiming sovereignty under the Tenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution over all powers not otherwise enumerated and granted to the federal government by the U.S. Constitution, serving notice to the federal government to halt and reverse certain mandates, and providing that certain federal legislation be prohibited or repealed.

State Affairs

SCR 2 Ellis

Urging Congress to propose and submit to the states an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that overturns Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission, establishing that the spending of money to influence elections shall not be construed as speech under the First Amendment, and clarifying that only natural persons are protected by constitutional rights.

State Affairs

SB 2 Nelson

General Appropriations Bill.

Finance

SB 101 Hinojosa/ Eltife

Relating to excepting certain appropriations from computations regarding the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations.

Finance

SB 102 Hinojosa/ et al.

Relating to ballot propositions authorizing political subdivisions to issue bonds.

State Affairs

SB 103 Hinojosa

Relating to a prohibition on the issuance of certain capital appreciation bonds by local governments. **Intergovernmental Relations**

SB 104 Hinojosa

Relating to the age of criminal responsibility and to certain substantive and procedural matters related to that age.

SB 105 Estes

Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.

Finance

SB 106 Whitmire

Relating to the prevention of truancy and the offense of failure to attend school; providing a penalty.

Criminal Justice

SB 107 Whitmire

Relating to the removal, discipline, or transfer of a public school student.

Education

SB 108 Whitmire

Relating to criminal procedures for certain misdemeanor offenses committed by children.

Criminal Justice

SB 109 Taylor, Van

Relating to the procedure for action by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on an application for a water right.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 110 Taylor, Van

Relating to the eligibility for service retirement annuities from a public retirement system of public officers or employees convicted of certain offenses.

State Affairs

SB 111 Taylor, Van

Relating to the criminal penalties for insider trading and other misuse of official information by public servants.

State Affairs

SB 112 Taylor, Van

Relating to the authority of a magistrate to prohibit certain communications in an order for emergency protection.

Criminal Justice

SB 113 Taylor, Van

Relating to the statute of limitations for a suit for personal injury arising from certain offenses constituting sexual abuse of a child.

State Affairs

SB 114 Taylor, Van

Relating to the applicability of adverse licensing, listing, or registration decisions by certain health and human services agencies.

Health & Human Services

SB 115 Taylor, Van

Relating to the nonconfidential status of certain state pension information.

Business & Commerce

SB 116 Taylor, Van

Relating to the investment of a portion of the economic stabilization fund balance.

Finance

SB 117 Taylor, Van

Relating to eligibility for a TEXAS grant.

Higher Education

SB 118 Taylor, Van

Relating to unit operations for oil, gas, or oil and gas production from depleting reservoirs or carbon dioxide storage; authorizing a fee.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 119 Campbell

Relating to requiring that members of the governing board of certain metropolitan rapid transit authorities be elected.

Transportation

SB 120 Campbell

Relating to the penalty for theft of an official ballot or official carrier envelope for an election.

State Affairs

SB 121 West

Relating to credit services organizations and extensions of consumer credit facilitated by credit services organizations; providing civil and administrative penalties.

Business & Commerce

SB 122 West

Relating to eligibility for compensation of persons wrongfully imprisoned.

State Affairs

SB 123 West

Relating to the minimum wage, including authorizing a county or municipality to establish a minimum wage.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 124 West

Relating to certain criminal offenses concerning the unlawful transfer or purchase of certain weapons.

Criminal Justice

SB 125 West

Relating to certain assessments for children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Health & Human Services

SB 126 West

Relating to the release of certain inmates on medically recommended intensive supervision.

Criminal Justice

SB 127 West

Relating to the reapportionment of congressional districts and the creation, function, and duties of the Texas Congressional Redistricting Commission.

State Affairs

SB 128 West

Relating to criminal history record information obtained or disseminated by certain private entities; providing a civil penalty.

Criminal Justice

SB 129 West

Relating to achievement benchmarks in fiscal notes and to legislative review of those benchmarks.

Administration

SB 130 West

Relating to the eligibility of criminal defendants for an order of nondisclosure; authorizing a fee.

Criminal Justice

SB 131 West

Relating to evidence technician training and the disposition of certain evidence in a criminal case.

Criminal Justice

SB 132 Hinojosa/ Garcia/ Rodríguez

Relating to the creation of a Texas resident driver's permit, provisional Texas resident driver's permit, and Texas resident driver's instruction permit; creating an offense.

Transportation

SB 133 Schwertner

Relating to mental health first aid training for school district employees and school resource officers.

Health & Human Services

SB 134 Schwertner

Relating to the total revenue exemption for the franchise tax.

Finance

SB 135 Whitmire

Relating to the organization of a grand jury.

Criminal Justice

SB 136 Perry

Relating to zero-based budgeting for state agencies as part of the sunset review process.

Finance

SB 137 Perry

Relating to the maximum rate of growth of appropriations.

Finance

SB 138 Perry

Relating to the phaseout and repeal of the franchise tax; lowering the rates of the tax.

Finance

SB 139 Perry

Relating to use of money in the state highway fund.

Finance

SB 140 Perry

Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for telecommunications services used for the navigation of certain farm and ranch machinery and equipment.

Finance

SB 141 Garcia

Relating to a voter educator program for high school seniors.

State Affairs

SB 142 Garcia

Relating to the appointment and training of volunteer deputy registrars; creating an offense.

State Affairs

SB 143 Garcia

Relating to the provision of the reason for rejecting a voter registration application.

State Affairs

SB 144 Rodríguez

Relating to the statute of limitations for a suit for personal injury arising from certain offenses constituting sexual abuse of a child.

State Affairs

SB 145 Rodríguez

Relating to reimbursement for certain medical costs for survivors of sexual assault.

Criminal Justice

SB 146 Rodríguez

Relating to compensation to victims of stalking for relocation and housing rental expenses.

Criminal Justice

SB 147 Rodríguez

Relating to the violation of certain court orders or conditions of bond in a family violence, sexual assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking case.

SB 148 Rodríguez

Relating to the repeal of the offense of homosexual conduct.

Criminal Justice

SB 149 Seliger

Relating to the creation of individual graduation committees for certain high school students.

Education

SB 150 Seliger

Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to fund capital projects at public institutions of higher education; making an appropriation.

Higher Education

SB 151 Rodríguez/ Zaffirini

Relating to employer retaliation against employees who seek recovery of unpaid wages and procedures in wage claim hearings conducted by the Texas Workforce Commission; providing administrative penalties.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 152 Rodríguez

Relating to administrative penalties assessed by the Texas Workforce Commission against certain employers for failure to pay wages.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 153 Rodríguez

Relating to the period during which an employee may file a claim for unpaid wages with the Texas Workforce Commission.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 154 Rodríguez

Relating to rest breaks for employees of certain contractors with a governmental entity; providing an administrative penalty.

Business & Commerce

SB 155 Rodríguez

Relating to required workers' compensation insurance coverage for building and construction contractors.

Business & Commerce

SB 156 Nichols

Relating to the limitation on increases in the appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.

Finance

SB 157 Zaffirini

Relating to exempting books purchased, used, or consumed by certain university and college students from the sales and use tax for limited periods.

Finance

SB 158 West

Relating to a body worn camera program for certain law enforcement agencies in this state.

Criminal Justice

SB 159 Rodríguez

Relating to certification requirements for teachers in bilingual education.

Education

SB 160 Rodríguez

Relating to a prohibition on certain law enforcement inquiries regarding the nationality or immigration status of a victim of or witness to a criminal offense.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations-S/C Border Security

SB 161 Rodríguez

Relating to the bilingual education allotment provided under the public school finance system.

Education

SB 162 Rodríguez

Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to fund capital projects at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso.

Higher Education

SB 163 Rodríguez

Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to fund an interdisciplinary research facility at The University of Texas at El Paso.

Higher Education

SB 164 Lucio

Relating to a notification requirement if a school counselor is not assigned to a public school campus.

Education

SB 165 Lucio

Relating to the use of public school counselors' work time.

Education

SB 166 Lucio

Relating to the jurisdiction and powers of and the referral of certain proceedings to a criminal law hearing officer in Cameron County.

Criminal Justice

SB 167 Lucio

Relating to the employment of certified school counselors by school districts.

Education

SB 168 Uresti

Relating to temporary waiver of superintendent certification for employment of public school district superintendents.

Education

SB 169 Uresti

Relating to ensuring that certain military members who reside out of state and their dependents maintain their positions on waiting lists for certain assistance programs provided by health and human services agencies.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 170 Uresti

Relating to acceptable forms of identification for voting.

State Affairs

SB 171 Huffman

Relating to the addition of an offense for the continuous smuggling of persons.

Criminal Justice

SB 172 Huffman

Relating to the addition of certain substances to Penalty Groups 1-A and 2 of the Texas Controlled Substances Act for criminal prosecution and other purposes.

Criminal Justice

SB 173 Huffman

Relating to the designation for criminal prosecution and other purposes of certain chemicals commonly referred to as synthetic cannabinoids as controlled substances and controlled substance analogues under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

SB 174 Huffman

Relating to the eligibility of certain persons to receive a sentence of community supervision, including deferred adjudication community supervision.

Criminal Justice

SB 175 Huffines

Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.

Finance

SB 176 Seliger

Relating to the Texas School Accountability Dashboard.

Education

SB 177 Seliger

Relating to the governance of public institutions of higher education in this state.

Higher Education

SB 178 Nichols

Relating to prohibiting the use of eminent domain to take private property for recreational purposes.

State Affairs

SB 179 Perry

Relating to the handgun proficiency required to obtain or renew a concealed handgun license.

State Affairs

SB 180 Ellis

Relating to the authority of the governor to grant one or more reprieves in a capital case.

Criminal Justice

SB 181 Ellis

Relating to the electronic recording and admissibility of certain custodial interrogations.

Criminal Justice

SB 182 Bettencourt

Relating to the calculation of the ad valorem rollback tax rates of certain taxing units.

Finance

SB 183 Huffman

Relating to the offenses of the violation of civil rights of and improper sexual activity with individuals in custody; imposing a criminal penalty.

Criminal Justice

SB 184 Schwertner

Relating to the state highway fund.

Finance

SB 185 Perry

Relating to the enforcement of state and federal laws governing immigration by certain governmental entities.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations-S/C Border Security

SB 186 Creighton

Relating to the franchise tax and alternative revenue sources and spending priorities for this state; repealing the franchise tax.

Finance

SB 187 Creighton

Relating to a defense to prosecution of the offense of Medicaid fraud.

Criminal Justice

SB 188 Watson

Relating to certain insurers' insurance rating and underwriting practices based on certain consumer inquiries.

Business & Commerce

SB 189 Watson

Relating to certain practices in the business of personal automobile insurance based on certain customer inquiries.

Business & Commerce

SB 190 Schwertner

Relating to the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; authorizing fees.

Health & Human Services

SB 191 Campbell

Relating to a prohibition on ownership, control, or management of the Alamo complex by a foreign entity.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 192 Creighton

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 73 as the Texas Game Warden Michael C. Pauling Memorial Highway.

Transportation

SB 193 Creighton

Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates to honor recipients of certain military medals.

Transportation

SB 194 Ellis

Relating to HIV and AIDS tests and to health benefit plan coverage of HIV and AIDS tests.

Health & Human Services

SB 195 Schwertner

Relating to information relating to prescriptions for certain controlled substances.

Health & Human Services

SB 196 Schwertner

Relating to controlled substance registration by physician assistants and advanced practice registered nurses; imposing penalties; imposing fees.

Health & Human Services

SB 197 Schwertner

Relating to the financial self-sufficiency of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.

Health & Human Services

SB 198 Watson

Relating to the use of statutorily dedicated revenues for budget certification.

Finance

SB 199 Perry

Relating to the designation of certain synthetic compounds to Penalty Group 2 or 2-A of the Texas Controlled Substances Act.