# **BILLS REFERRED TODAY**

# Wednesday March 4, 2015

# **Committee referral on the following:**

## Nelson/ Eltife/ Hinojosa

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

### SJR 4 Hinojosa/ Eltife/ Nelson

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

**Finance** 

#### **SJR 38** Ellis

Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the periodic review of state and local tax preferences and providing an expiration date for certain tax preferences.

**Finance** 

#### **SB 10** Huffman

Relating to the investigation and prosecution of offenses against public administration, including ethics offenses, and offenses involving insurance fraud or the imposition of the motor fuels tax.

**State Affairs** 

### **SB 15** Nelson/ Eltife/ Hinojosa

Relating to state tax reductions and the limit on appropriations from certain state tax revenue for a state fiscal biennium.

**Finance** 

#### **SB 16** Hinojosa/ Eltife/ Nelson

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

**Finance** 

### **SB 200** Nelson/ Birdwell/ Campbell/ Hinojosa/ Schwertner

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Health and Human Services Commission and the provision of health and human services in this state.

**Health & Human Services** 

### **SB 214** Campbell/ Birdwell/ Hinojosa/

**Nelson/Schwertner** 

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Education Agency and to the abolition of the State Board for Educator Certification and the transfer of its functions to the Texas Education Agency; providing for the ad valorem tax rate to be imposed after annexation of an insolvent or inoperative school district.

**Education** 

### **SB 836** Watson

Relating to management services for the physical facilities of the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Texas School for the Deaf.

# **Business & Commerce**

#### **SB 837** Watson

Relating to a common characteristic or use project in a public improvement district in certain municipalities.

# **Intergovernmental Relations**

## SB 838 Lucio

Relating to the functions of the Office of Immigration and Refugee Affairs and the Governor's Advisory Committee on Immigration and Refugees.

# Veteran Affairs & Military Installations-S/C Border Security

## SB 839 Garcia

Relating to the Generation Park Management District.

**Intergovernmental Relations** 

### SB 840 Watson

Relating to watercraft and certain trailer registration fees for veterans with disabilities.

# **Transportation**

# SB 841 Creighton

Relating to rates of and certificates of convenience and necessity for certain non-ERCOT electric utilities.

# **Natural Resources & Economic Development**

# SB 842 Uresti

Relating to the composition of the juvenile board of Atascosa County.

**State Affairs** 

# SB 843 Taylor, Larry

Relating to prompt payment of health care claims, including payment for immunizations, vaccines, and serums.

## **Business & Commerce**

# SB 844 Taylor, Van

Relating to the expiration of licenses for insurance agents and adjusters.

## **Business & Commerce**

# SB 846 Seliger

Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to abolish the permanent resident hotel occupancy tax exemption.

## **Natural Resources & Economic Development**

## SB 847 Rodríguez/ Zaffirini

Relating to prohibiting a waiting period requirement for coverage under the child health plan program.

## **Health & Human Services**

# SB 848 Estes

Relating to the regulation of medical radiologic technology; providing an administrative penalty; imposing fees; requiring an occupational license.

## **Health & Human Services**

## SB 849 Bettencourt

Relating to access to and fees associated with binding arbitration of appraisal review board orders.

# **Finance**

# SB 850 Taylor, Van

Relating to a public duty justification for conduct of a service member of the Texas military forces.

# **Veteran Affairs & Military Installations**

## SB 851 Ellis

Relating to reducing the penalty for certain offenders for possession of a small amount of certain controlled substances; creating a dedicated account.

## **Criminal Justice**

## SB 852 Kolkhorst

Relating to the disclosure of interested parties by persons contracting with governmental entities and state agencies.

## **Business & Commerce**

## SB 853 Kolkhorst

Relating to the signature requirement for a sales tax permit application filed electronically.

Finance

SB 854 Zaffirini

Relating to the renewal or amendment of certain permits issued by groundwater conservation districts.

**Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs** 

SB 856 Rodríguez/ Ellis/ Garcia/ Watson/

Whitmire

Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; providing an administrative penalty; creating an offense.

**State Affairs** 

SB 857 Taylor, Van

Relating to the maintenance of information entered into a fee record in certain counties.

**State Affairs** 

SB 858 Eltife

Relating to license holders authorized to obtain label approval for beer, ale, and malt liquor.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 859 Eltife

Relating to partnerships and limited liability companies.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 860 Eltife

Relating to corporations and fundamental business transactions.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 861 Birdwell

Relating to the installation of certain telephone or telegraph corporation facilities on or across public roads, streets, or water.

**Natural Resources & Economic Development** 

SB 862 Birdwell

Relating to voting methods in a property owners' association election or vote.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 863 Birdwell

Relating to the audit of river authorities by the state auditor's office.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 864 Birdwell

Relating to secret ballots in a property owners' association election or vote.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 865 Birdwell

Relating to immunity of a governmental entity for damage to certain utility facilities.

**State Affairs** 

SB 866 Taylor, Larry

Relating to the regulation of amusement redemption machine game rooms in certain counties.

**Intergovernmental Relations** 

SB 867 Taylor, Larry

Relating to the creation of criminal law magistrates for Galveston County.

**State Affairs** 

SB 868 Ellis

Relating to a periodic review and expiration dates of state and local tax preferences.

**Finance** 

SB 869 Ellis

Relating to the administration of the Texas B-On-time loan program and to permitting an institution of higher education to use B-On-time tuition set-asides to provide financial assistance to students of the institution.

**Higher Education** 

SB 870 Ellis

Relating to replacing "Confederate Heroes Day" with "Civil War Remembrance Day" as a state holiday.

Administration

SB 871 Zaffirini

Relating to the compensation of county auditors for certain counties.

**Intergovernmental Relations** 

SB 872 Rodríguez

Relating to the adoption of a schedule of fees for the compensation of court-appointed defense counsel in criminal cases.

**State Affairs** 

SB 873 Rodríguez

Relating to the courts authorized to hear certain matters relating to a capias pro fine.

**Criminal Justice** 

SB 874 Campbell/ Perry

Relating to a photo identification requirement to use certain state benefits.

**Health & Human Services** 

SB 875 Eltife

Relating to the regulation of state trust companies.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 876 Eltife

Relating to the licensing of insurance agents and adjusters; providing a penalty.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 878 Nelson

Relating to a limitation on the expansion of certain landfills.

**Natural Resources & Economic Development** 

SB 879 Nelson

Relating to the review by certain governmental entities of a permit application for a solid waste facility.

**Natural Resources & Economic Development** 

SB 880 Nelson

Relating to certain committees and programs to develop the wine industry in this state through the Department of Agriculture.

**Business & Commerce** 

SB 881 Nelson

Relating to the dedication of certain wine-related revenue.

Finance

SB 882 Hinojosa

Relating to municipal authority to regulate wind turbines in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality.

**Natural Resources & Economic Development** 

SB 883 Eltife

Relating to the applicability of certain unfunded mandates on political subdivisions.

**Finance** 

SB 884 Hinojosa

Relating to the deadline for certain taxing units to provide notice of the unit's proposed property tax rate.

**Finance** 

SB 885 Rodríguez

Relating to bonuses for teachers of students who perform successfully on college advanced placement tests and international baccalaureate examinations.

Education

SB 886 Garcia

Relating to training requirements for certain child-care workers.

**Health & Human Services** 

SB 887 Garcia

Relating to the powers of the Greater Greenspoint Management District of Harris County.

**Intergovernmental Relations** 

SB 888 Hinojosa

Relating to the appeal of waiver of jurisdiction and transfer to criminal court in juvenile cases.

**Criminal Justice** 

SB 889 Hinojosa/ Ellis

Relating to jury instructions regarding eyewitness identification testimony in certain criminal cases.

**Criminal Justice**