SENATE FLOOR ACTION

Wednesday March 1, 2017

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

SB 11 (CS) Schwertner/ Nelson/ Uresti/ et al.

Relating to the administration of services provided by the Department of Family and Protective Services, including foster care, child protective, relative and kinship caregiver support, and prevention and early intervention services.

9 Floor Amendments

SB 46 (LC) Zaffirini

Relating to allowing judges to use juror identification numbers when polling the jury.

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 94 Seliger

Recognizing March 1, 2017, as Andrews County Day.

SR 294 Taylor, Larry

Recognizing the 2016-2017 class of Leadership La Porte.

SR 305 Miles

Recognizing March 1, 2017, as University of Houston Day.

SR 316 Rodríguez

Recognizing March 1, 2017, as Presidio County Day.

SR 318 Perry/ Buckingham/ Campbell/

Rodríguez/ Seliger/ et al.

Recognizing March 1, 2017, as Texas Tech University System Day.

SR 320 Zaffirini

Recognizing March 1, 2017, as Childhood Cancer Awareness Day.

SR 333 Taylor, Larry/ Creighton

Recognizing March 1, 2017, as Galveston County Day.

SR 335 Hall

Honoring Bryan Shaw and Danny Shaw.

SR 340 Bettencourt/ Rodríguez

Commemorating Texas Independence Day 2017.

SCR 28 Whitmire

Granting the legislature permission to adjourn for more than three days during the period beginning on Wednesday, March 1, 2017, and ending on Monday, March 6, 2017.

Committee referral on the following:

SB 899 Huffman

Relating to increasing the punishment for an offense committed against a person because of the person's status as a peace officer, a firefighter, or emergency medical services personnel.

Criminal Justice

SB 910 Huffman/ Uresti

Relating to the distribution, possession, purchase, consumption, and receipt of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, and tobacco products; providing penalties.

State Affairs

SB 926 Rodríguez

Relating to durable powers of attorney.

State Affairs

SB 927 Rodríguez

Relating to a special education recovery program operated by the Texas Education Agency.

Education

SB 928 Rodríguez/ Estes

Relating to the designation of portions of certain highways as the Tom Lea Trail.

Transportation

SB 929 Hughes

Relating to continuing education requirements for county tax assessor-collectors.

Finance

SB 930 Taylor, Van

Relating to the nonconfidential status of certain state pension information.

Business & Commerce

SB 931 Seliger

Relating to the authority to waive certain penalties and interest in order to facilitate the settlement of an ad valorem tax appeal.

Finance

SB 932 Schwertner

Relating to the licensing of, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission's duties with respect to, and the administrative penalties for certain long-term care facilities.

Health & Human Services

SB 933 Schwertner

Relating to the licensing of, the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission's duties with respect to, and the administrative penalties for home and community support services agencies.

Health & Human Services

SB 934 Schwertner

Relating to health care liability insurance for certain long-term care facilities.

Health & Human Services

SB 935 Hughes

Relating to the composition of the board of trustees of the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

State Affairs

SB 936 Huffman/ et al.

Relating to the creation of a joint interim committee to undertake a study of the public retirement systems of this state.

State Affairs

SB 937 Zaffirini

Relating to county law libraries.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 938 Taylor, Van

Relating to certain rental-purchase agreements.

Business & Commerce

SB 939 Bettencourt

Relating to the regulatory analysis of rules proposed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 940 Campbell

Relating to the evaluation of and improvements to the quality of the Texas Workforce Commission's subsidized child care program.

Health & Human Services

SB 941 Hughes

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

Criminal Justice

SB 942 Hughes

Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue in certain municipalities.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 943 Taylor, Van/ et al.

Relating to limitations on the rate of growth of appropriations.

Finance

SB 944 Hughes

Relating to the adoption of the Uniform Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act.

State Affairs

SB 945 Bettencourt

Relating to the authority of the chief appraiser of an appraisal district to correct an ad valorem tax appraisal roll.

Finance

SB 946 Bettencourt

Relating to deadlines for performing various functions in connection with the ad valorem tax system.

Finance

SB 947 Kolkhorst

Relating to liability of certain electric utilities that allow certain uses of land that the electric utility owns, occupies, or leases.

Business & Commerce

SB 948 Kolkhorst

Relating to certain information provided to prospective adoptive parents by the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Health & Human Services

SB 949 Kolkhorst

Relating to a limitation on the amount of attorney's fees awarded in a case assigned to a special three-judge district court.

State Affairs

SB 950 Seliger

Relating to tuition and fee exemptions or waivers at public institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 951 Hancock

Relating to the regulation of the manufacture and sale of wine and certain related activities; authorizing a fee.

Business & Commerce

SB 952 Hancock

Relating to enforcement of a lien on property in a self-service storage facility by a sale conducted through an Internet website.

Business & Commerce

SB 953 Hancock

Relating to warning signs applicable to the carrying of weapons on the premises of certain holders of alcoholic beverage licenses and permits.

Business & Commerce

SB 954 Hancock

Relating to the authority of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission to offer a civil penalty in lieu of suspending a permit or license.

Business & Commerce

SB 955 Hancock

Relating to the rates of the taxes imposed on the first sale of ale, malt liquor, and beer; reducing a tax rate.

Business & Commerce

SB 956 Hancock

Relating to taxes imposed on vinous liquor.

Business & Commerce

SB 957 Campbell/ Hinojosa

Relating to the numbering of propositions on the ballot.

State Affairs

SB 958 Rodríguez

Relating to the deadline for filing an application for a writ of habeas corpus in a death penalty case.

Criminal Justice

SB 959 Hughes

Relating to the adoption of the Compact for a Balanced Budget.

State Affairs

SB 960 Nichols

Relating to the regulation of prescribed burning by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

SB 961 Garcia

Relating to the licensing and regulation of a journeyman lineman.

Business & Commerce

SB 962 Garcia

Relating to requiring public institutions of higher education to develop and establish an online reporting system for sex offenses.

State Affairs

SB 963 Zaffirini

Relating to the establishment of a guardianship court pilot program.

State Affairs

SB 964 Rodríguez

Relating to the Jeff Davis County Underground Water Conservation District; authorizing a fee.

Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

SB 965 Zaffirini

Relating to the creation and operation of a park and recreation district in counties that share a border on the San Marcos River and to the authority of the district to collect fees and issue bonds; creating a criminal offense.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 966 Watson

Relating to criminal offenses regarding the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages by a minor.

Criminal Justice

SB 967 Watson

Relating to the prosecution of the offenses of sexual assault and aggravated sexual assault.

Criminal Justice

SB 968 Watson

Relating to requiring certain public and private institutions of higher education to provide students and employees an option to electronically report certain offenses to the institution.

State Affairs

SB 969 Watson

Relating to requiring certain public and private institutions of higher education to provide amnesty to students who report incidents of sexual assault.

State Affairs

SB 970 Watson

Relating to a sexual assault policy at public and private institutions of higher education.

State Affairs

SB 971 Zaffirini

Relating to eligibility to serve on the appraisal review board of certain appraisal districts.

Finance

SB 972 Zaffirini

Relating to the reappraisal for ad valorem taxation purposes of real property on which a building completely destroyed by a casualty is located.

Finance

SB 973 Creighton

Relating to authorization to enter onto property to survey for a proposed high-speed rail facility.

Transportation

SB 974 Creighton

Relating to option contracts to acquire real property for high-speed rail projects.

Transportation

SB 975 Birdwell

Relating to the security of high-speed rail operated by a private entity.

Transportation

SB 1107 Schwertner/ Perry/ et al.

Relating to telemedicine and telehealth services.

Health & Human Services

- (CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
- (LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR