SENATE FLOOR ACTION

Tuesday April 29, 2025

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

SB 31 (CS) (LC) Hughes/ et al.

Relating to exceptions to otherwise prohibited abortions based on a physician's reasonable medical judgment.

SB 467 (CS) Paxton/ Zaffirini/ et al.

Relating to a temporary exemption from ad valorem taxation of the appraised value of an improvement to a residence homestead that is completely destroyed by a fire.

SB 482 (LC) Alvarado/ Blanco/ Cook/ Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"/ et al.

Relating to increasing the criminal penalties for the offenses of assault and harassment committed against certain employees or agents of a utility and committed in a disaster area or evacuated area.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 647 (CS) West/ et al.

Relating to the filing or recording of documents or instruments conveying or purporting to convey an interest in real or personal property.

SB 732 (CS) Miles

Relating to required generators or other power sources for certain housing developments that receive an allocation of low income housing tax credits.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 816 (CS) (LC) Huffman

Relating to authorizing the disclosure of certain electronic customer data by a provider of an electronic communications service or a remote computing service in certain immediate life-threatening situations.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1055 (LC) Nichols

Relating to permit fees for groundwater wells imposed by the Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District.

SB 1137 (LC) Miles/ et al.

Relating to group home consultant referrals; creating a criminal offense.

SB 1169 (CS) (LC) Hinojosa, Adam/ et al.

Relating to the provision of water or sewer service by public entities operating jointly or concurrently.

SB 2004 (CS) (LC) King

Relating to the eligibility of the INDYCAR Grand Prix of Arlington for funding under the major events reimbursement program.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 2253 (CS) Creighton/ et al.

Relating to the certification of public school educators, including financial and other assistance provided to public schools by the Texas Education Agency.

4 Floor Amendments

SB 2268 (LC) Schwertner/ et al.

Relating to disbursement of initial funds under the Texas energy fund.

2 Floor Amendments

SB 2314 (CS) Creighton/ et al.

Relating to the creation of an electronic platform and submission portal, known as My Texas Future, to facilitate public high school students' awareness of and application to institutions of higher education using the electronic common admission application form.

SB 2351 (CS) (LC) Alvarado

Relating to the construction of certain concrete plants under a standard permit.

SB 2371 (CS) (LC) Nichols/ et al.

Relating to skimmers on electronic terminals; authorizing a civil penalty; creating criminal offenses.

SB 2623 (CS) Creighton

Relating to establishment and enforcement of school safety zones; providing a civil penalty.

4 Floor Amendments

SB 2722 (CS) Bettencourt/ et al.

Relating to the use of certain tolls and charges imposed by certain counties; authorizing a civil penalty. **3 Floor Amendments**

SB 2779 (CS) Birdwell

Relating to the allocation and use of certain hotel occupancy tax revenues.

SB 2920 Campbell/ Creighton/ et al.

Relating to the regulation of steroid use by students participating in athletic competitions sponsored or sanctioned by the University Interscholastic League.

HJR 4 Meyer/ Button/ Vasut/ Moody/ SP: Parker/ et al. Anchía/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the enactment of a law imposing an occupation tax on certain entities that enter into transactions conveying securities or imposing a tax on certain securities transactions.

The Senate suspended the regular order, read third time and finally passed:

SB 407 (CS) Middleton/ et al.

Relating to a health care facility's required policy for vaccine preventable diseases.

SB 1395 Hall/ et al.

Relating to the membership of a school district's local school health advisory council.

SB 1433 Bettencourt

Relating to the assertion of legislative privilege by the attorney general in certain legal challenges to the constitutionality of state statutes.

SB 1718 Sparks/ et al.

Relating to the eligibility of the National Rifle Association's Annual Meetings and Exhibits or another annual event of the National Rifle Association for funding under the major events reimbursement program.

SB 2322 (CS) King

Relating to the findings required to be made by the comptroller of public accounts in order to recommend for approval an application for a limitation on the taxable value of eligible property for school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax purposes under the Texas Jobs, Energy, Technology, and Innovation Act.

SB 2877 Hughes/ et al.

Relating to the penalty for the crime of election fraud; increasing a criminal penalty.

The Senate suspended the regular order, read second time and passed to engrossment:

SB 619 Sparks/ et al.

Relating to protection of persons from participation in a health care service for reasons of conscience; providing a civil remedy; authorizing disciplinary action.

SB 646 West/ et al.

Relating to repayment of certain mental health professional education loans.

SB 1026 Hughes/ et al.

Relating to the duty of the attorney general to prosecute criminal offenses prescribed by the election laws of this state.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 2742 (CS) Hagenbuch

Relating to the enforcement of electioneering prohibitions and the unlawful use of public funds for political advertising; imposing civil penalties.

SB 2880 (CS) Hughes/ et al.

Relating to abortion, including civil liability for distribution of abortion-inducing drugs; making conforming changes and harmonizing conforming provisions; authorizing a private civil right of action.

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 443 Hagenbuch

Recognizing April 29, 2025, as Jack County Day at the State Capitol.

SR 449 Nichols

Recognizing April 29, 2025, as County Government Day.

SR 456 Hall/ Paxton

Honoring the Texas chapters of Blue Star Mothers of America.

SR 460 Gutierrez

Recognizing April 29, 2025, as Crockett County Day at the State Capitol.

SR 465 Hancock/ Birdwell/ Campbell/

Cook/ Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"/

et al.

Recognizing April 29, 2025 as Donate Life Texas Day.

SCR 46 Sparks

Expressing support for renaming the New York strip steak as the Texas strip steak and directing the Texas Department of Agriculture to promote the Texas strip steak as part of efforts to support Texas beef and agricultural products.

The Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested the appointment of a Conference Committee on the following:

SB 260 (CS) Huffman/ et al. SP: Bonnen

Relating to the school safety allotment under the Foundation School Program.

Committee referral on the following:

SB 3062 Hughes

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 315 in Panola County as the Hamby-Webb Memorial Highway.

Transportation

HJR 8 Harris

Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas nuclear development fund to support the development, construction, and operation of advanced nuclear reactor projects for dispatchable electric generation.

Business & Commerce

HJR 31 Guillen

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to define certain terms for purposes of the exemption from ad valorem taxation of farm products in the hands of the producer.

Local Government

HJR 72 Noble/ Bernal/ Meyer/ Hull/ Manuel/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the market value of a property that is the primary residence of an adult who has an intellectual or developmental disability and who must be related to the owner or trustee of the property within a certain degree by consanguinity.

Local Government

HJR 99 Harris/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property consisting of animal feed held by the owner of the property for sale at retail.

Local Government

HJR 133 Turner/ Button/ Cook/ Cortez/ Garcia, Linda/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a veteran who died as a result of a condition or disease that is presumed under federal law to have been service-connected.

Local Government

HB 29 Gerdes/ et al.

Relating to water losses reported by certain municipally owned utilities to the Texas Water Development Board; authorizing administrative penalties.

Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs

HB 33 McLaughlin/ Guillen/ Moody/ Leo

Wilson/ Louderback/ et al.

Relating to active shooter incidents at primary and secondary school facilities and other emergencies, including certain accreditations of law enforcement agencies that respond to such emergencies.

Criminal Justice

HB 50 Jones, Venton/ Oliverson/ Rose/

Campos/ Guillen/ et al.

Relating to informed consent for certain screening tests.

Health & Human Services

HB 107 Simmons/ Rose/ Collier/ Jones,

Venton/Oliverson/ et al.

Relating to the establishment of the sickle cell disease registry.

Health & Human Services

HB 116 Dutton/ Jones, Jolanda

Relating to grounds for the involuntary termination of the parent-child relationship.

Health & Human Services

HB 125 Slawson/ VanDeaver/ González,

Mary/ King/ Lambert/ et al.

Relating to the creation of the Tarleton State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Education K-16

HB 140 Noble

Relating to the creation of the child and adult protective investigations advisory committee in the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Health & Human Services

HB 141 Manuel/ Orr

Relating to the adoption of the revised Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children by the State of Texas; making conforming changes.

Health & Human Services

HB 155 Raymond

Relating to the confidentiality of certain autopsy records.

Criminal Justice

HB 171 Guillen

Relating to the certificate of medical examination for chemical dependency and the duration of courtordered treatment for a person with a chemical dependency.

Criminal Justice

HB 227 Vasut/ Barry/ Bonnen/ et al.

Relating to the designation of a portion of Farm-to-Market Road 521 in Brazoria County as the Clarence "BB" Sasser Medal of Honor Highway.

Transportation

HB 255 Guillen/ Lopez, Janie

Relating to the definitions of certain terms for purposes of the exemption from ad valorem taxation of farm products in the hands of the producer.

Local Government

HB 363 Bell, Keith/ Gates/ Noble/ Tepper/

Zwiener/ et al.

Relating to the filing with the county clerk of certain counties of a draft of a petition requesting the creation of a municipal utility district.

Local Government

HB 368 Landgraf/ Hull/ Howard/

Rodríguez Ramos

Relating to a prohibition on remotely controlling electronic devices of certain individuals and to the criminal prosecution of that conduct.

Criminal Justice

HB 491 Thompson/ Walle/ Jones, Jolanda

Relating to certain civil penalties collected for violations of laws regulating massage therapy.

Business & Commerce

HB 609 Vasut/ Leo Wilson/ et al.

Relating to the cleaning of a structure used to grow oysters for cultivated oyster mariculture.

Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs

HB 630 Vasut/ et al.

Relating to certificates of title for certain outboard motors.

Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs

HB 745 Vasut/ et al.

Relating to an exemption from jury service for certain crime victims or close relatives of deceased crime victims.

Criminal Justice

HB 767 Bell, Cecil

Relating to the designation of the portion of State Highway 249 in Montgomery County as the Paul P. Mendes Memorial Parkway.

Transportation

HB 913 Frank

Relating to certain state hospital names and the management of state hospitals.

Health & Human Services

HB 917 Spiller

Relating to a district or county attorney participating as counsel in certain proceedings.

Jurisprudence

HB 1135 Isaac/ Bowers/ Little/ Smithee/

Cook

Relating to temporary vehicle tags and the offense of tampering with a governmental record.

Administration

HB 1188 Manuel/ Bumgarner/ Hinojosa/

Frank/ Rose/ et al.

Relating to the provision of information regarding a local intellectual and developmental disability authority to the parents or guardians of certain special education students.

Education K-16

HB 1238 Guillen

Relating to the inspection of the location of a proposed Class I injection well.

Natural Resources

HB 1242 Guillen

Relating to the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 281 as the Ernesto Soliz Cantu Memorial Highway.

Transportation

HB 1261 Cunningham

Relating to the disposition of abandoned or unclaimed property seized by a peace officer.

Criminal Justice

HB 1318 Guillen

Relating to a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide water or sewer service in an area incorporated or annexed by a municipality.

Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs

HB 1404 Harris

Relating to the designation of County Road 1250 in Navarro County as part of the state highway system. **Transportation**

HB 1495 Morales, Eddie/ Morales,

Christina/ Martinez/ Kitzman/

et al.

Relating to the prohibited release of personal information collected during the jury selection process. **Jurisprudence**

HB 1507 Ashby/ Morales, Eddie/ Lujan/

Frank/ Cook/ et al.

Relating to tuition and fee exemptions for firefighters enrolled in certain courses at public institutions of higher education.

Education K-16

HB 1606 Metcalf/ Johnson/ Howard

Relating to notice provided to a retail electric customer of the procedure for requesting vegetation management near a transmission or distribution line.

Business & Commerce

HB 1708 Landgraf

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 302 in Ector County as the Trooper Kevin Ramirez Vasquez Memorial Highway.

Transportation

HB 1748 Darby

Relating to the appointment of spoken language interpreters for certain court proceedings. **State Affairs**

HB 1851 Morales, Eddie/ Guillen/ Holt/

González, Mary/Louderback/

et al.

Relating to the disposition of certain surplus motor vehicles and other law enforcement equipment by the Texas Facilities Commission to certain school districts.

Economic Development

HB 1922

Dean/ Leach/ Dutton/ Hayes/ Landgraf/ et al.

Relating to the accrual of a cause of action for purposes of certain laws governing certain construction liability claims.

Business & Commerce

HB 2002 Darby

Relating to the eligibility of an organization to receive surplus agricultural products under certain grants awarded by the Department of Agriculture.

Economic Development

HB 2003 Harris/ Orr/ Metcalf/ Morales, Eddie/ Harris Davila/ et al.

Relating to provision to the Texas Department of Transportation of information regarding certain high-speed rail projects.

Transportation

HB 2198 Bell, Keith

Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 34 in Kaufman County as the Officer Jacob Candanoza Memorial Highway.

Transportation

HB 2355 Fairly

Relating to the disclosure or release of certain information received by the attorney general regarding an application for compensation from the crime victims' compensation fund.

Criminal Justice

HB 2358 Noble

Relating to training required or offered by the Health and Human Services Commission for long-term care facility surveyors, personnel, and providers and ICF-IID program providers.

Health & Human Services

HB 2415 Cole/ Bucy

Relating to the designation of a portion of Farm-to-Market Road 969 in Travis County as the Senior Police Officer Lewis "Andy" Traylor Memorial Highway.

Transportation

HB 2457 Meyer/ Frank

Relating to the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 287 in Wilbarger County as the Molly Mullens Mile.

Transportation

HB 2495 Dutton/ Rodríguez Ramos

Relating to certain rights of the sole managing conservator of a child in relation to the child's enrollment in school.

Jurisprudence

HB 2546 Tepper

Relating to vehicles eligible for replacement under the clean school bus program.

Business & Commerce

HB 2637 DeAyala

Relating to the practice and procedures for summoning prospective grand jurors and petit jurors and the exemption of certain persons from grand jury and petit jury service.

Criminal Justice

HB 2763 Guillen/ et al.

Relating to the designation of a Texas Department of Transportation building in Starr County as the Eduardo "Eddie" Gracia, Jr., P.E., Area Engineer and Maintenance Facility.

Transportation

HB 2765 Guillen

Relating to the Rural Economic Development and Investment Program and the Texas economic development fund.

Economic Development

HB 2798 Plesa/ Capriglione/ Garcia, Linda/

Lambert/ et al.

Relating to disclosures and other requirements concerning virtual currency kiosk transactions; authorizing a fee.

Business & Commerce

HB 2818 Capriglione/ et al.

Relating to the artificial intelligence division within the Department of Information Resources.

Business & Commerce

HB 3228 Lambert/ Slawson/ Patterson/

Kitzman/ et al.

Relating to the inclusion of recycling or disposal provisions in certain lease agreements of wind or solar power facilities.

Business & Commerce

HB 3307 Noble

Relating to the continuing education required in order for a person to renew the person's agreement with the comptroller of public accounts to serve as an arbitrator in an appeal through binding arbitration of an appraisal review board order determining a protest.

Local Government

HB 4116 Davis, Aicha/ Swanson/ Rose/

Hull/ et al.

Relating to information made available to a relative or other designated caregiver.

Health & Human Services

HCR 29 Lopez, Janie/ Hull/ Ordaz/

Romero/ Garcia Hernandez,

Cassandra/ et al.

Designating April as Counseling Awareness Month for a 10-year period ending in 2035.

Administration

Recommitted to committee on the following:

SB 1410 Campbell/ et al.

Relating to renaming the Gulf of Mexico as the Gulf of America.

State Affairs

(CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

(LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR