

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

Wednesday
May 14, 2025

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

SJR 87

Huffman/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the denial of bail to persons accused of certain offenses punishable as a felony who have previously been convicted of or who were released on bail for certain offenses punishable as a felony at the time of the new offense.

2 Floor Amendments

SB 1285 (CS)

Eckhardt/ et al.

Relating to the protection of bats.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1359 (CS) (LC)

Parker

Relating to the creation, powers, duties, and financing of the Wise Regional Water District; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose fees; creating a criminal offense.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 2857 (CS)

Blanco/ et al.

Relating to a prescription drug purchasing pool for certain health benefit plan issuers and employers.

SB 3073

Huffman/ et al.

Relating to the duty of a magistrate to make written findings in certain criminal proceedings.

HJR 1 (CS)

**Meyer/ Bonnen/ Button/
Martinez Fischer/ Bernal/ et al.**

SP: Bettencourt/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion of the market value of tangible personal property a person owns that is held or used for the production of income.

1 Floor Amendment

HB 9 (CS)

**Meyer/ Bonnen/ Hickland/
Martinez Fischer/ Bernal/ et al.**

SP: Bettencourt/ et al.

Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of tangible personal property that is held or used for the production of income.

1 Floor Amendment

HB 21

**Gates/ Capriglione/ Martinez
Fischer/ Tepper/ Bell, Cecil/ et al.**

SP: Bettencourt/ et al.

Relating to housing finance corporations; authorizing a fee.

HB 116 (LC)

Dutton/ Jones, Jolanda

SP: Kolkhorst/ et al.

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

HB 913 (LC)

Frank

SP: Hagenbuch

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

HB 1151 (LC)

Hull/ et al.

SP: West/ et al.

Relating to neglect of a child and the grounds for termination of the parent-child relationship and possession of a child by the Department of Family and Protective Services.

HB 1899

Longoria/ Lopez, Ray/ Isaac

SP: Hinojosa, Adam

Relating to the required age for a license or permit relating to the conduct of a public fireworks display.

HB 2970 (CS) (LC) **Paul/ Martinez/ Perez, Mary** **SP: Middleton**
Ann/ Cain/ et al.

Relating to the management and operation of the Gulf Coast Protection District.

HB 3307 (CS) (LC) **Noble** **SP: Hinojosa, Adam**

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

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

SB 1073 **Hughes/ et al.**

Relating to discrimination against or burdening certain constitutional rights of an applicant for or holder of a license to practice law in this state.

SB 1310 (CS) (LC) **Cook/ Alvarado/ et al.**

Relating to senior retirement communities.

SB 2532 (CS) **Middleton/ et al.**

Relating to the calculation of the voter-approval tax rate for certain municipalities that receive municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue and other money from a local park board of trustees.

SB 2619 (CS) **Creighton/ et al.**

Relating to certain accountability-related policies and procedures related to public schools, the availability of information regarding a board of trustees of a school district or governing body of an open-enrollment charter school, and the approval by the Texas Education Agency of training provided to a member of a board of trustees of a school district.

SB 2847 **Hagenbuch**

Relating to innovations in core curriculum to accelerate the award of bachelor's degrees, including the establishment of the general education curriculum advisory committee.

SB 2972 (CS) **Creighton/ et al.**

Relating to expressive activities at public institutions of higher education.

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

SB 128 **Hall/ et al.**

Relating to hospital reporting requirements regarding suspected child abuse, exploitation, or neglect; authorizing an administrative penalty.

SB 2043 **Hughes/ et al.**

Relating to prohibited retaliation against a physician or health care provider for reporting certain violations or taking certain actions with respect to the provision of health care services; providing a civil remedy.

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 393 **Perry/ et al.**

Recognizing April 16, 2025, as Texas Juvenile Justice Professional Day.

SR 511 **Alvarado**

In memory of Marcelo Garcia III of Houston.

SR 518 **Hancock**

Recognizing May 14, 2025, as Texas Moral Injury Awareness Day.

SR 520 **Hall**

Recognizing Rosser Coke Newton Sr. for his biography of former Texas governor Richard Coke.

The Senate concurred in House amendments to the following:

SB 314 (CS) **Hughes/ et al.** **SP: Harris Davila**

Relating to prohibiting certain food additives from being included in free or reduced-price meals provided by school districts.

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| SB 455 (CS) (LC) | Middleton/ et al. | SP: Morgan/ Barry/ et al. |
| Relating to arbitration provisions in certain surplus lines insurance contracts. | | |

SB 761 (CS) (LC) **Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"** **SP: Thompson/ Hull**
 Relating to rights of crime victims, including the enforcement of certain rights of sexual assault victims;
 authorizing a civil penalty.

SB 1023 (LC) **Bettencourt** **SP: Troxclair**
 Relating to the calculation of certain ad valorem tax rates.

SB 2122 **Zaffirini** **SP: Darby/ Morales, Eddie**

Relating to imposition of application fees for certain permits and permit amendments for the disposal of oil and gas waste.

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| SB 2371 (CS) (LC) | Nichols/ et al. | SP: Perez, Mary Ann |
| Relating to skimmers on electronic terminals; authorizing a civil penalty; creating criminal offenses. | | |

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| SB 2420 (CS) (LC) | Paxton/ et al. | SP: Fairly/ Patterson/ et al. |
| Relating to the regulation of platforms for the sale and distribution of software applications for mobile devices. | | |

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

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| SB 17 (CS) | Kolkhorst/ Bettencourt/ Birdwell/ Campbell/ Creighton/ et al. | SP: Hefner/ Metcalf/ et al. |
| Relating to the purchase or acquisition of an interest in real property by certain aliens or foreign entities. | | |

SB 509 (LC) **Bettencourt/ Middleton/ Parker/ SP: Schofield**
Paxton/ Perry/ et al.
 Relating to requiring notice to the attorney general in an action under the Election Code seeking a temporary restraining order.

The following bills were passed on the Local and Uncontested Bills Calendar:

SB 644 (LC) Johnson

Relating to designating the second Saturday in October as Hospice and Palliative Care Day.

SB 1230 (LC) **Hughes**
 Relating to the designation of Farm-to-Market Road 10 in Panola County as the Deputy Sheriff Chris Dickerson Memorial Highway.

SB 1361 (CS) (LC) **Alvarado/ et al.**
 Relating to a disaster recovery loan program for small and micro-businesses.

SB 1778 (LC) **Miles/ et al.**
Relating to the use of telemedicine services in the juvenile justice system.

SB 1790 (CS) (LC) Campbell
 Relating to the composition of the Comal County Juvenile Board.

SB 2460 (CS) (LC) Creighton
 Relating to rapid DNA analysis performed by certain law enforcement agencies and the content of certain DNA databases.

SB 2515 (LC) Hughes
 Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 64 in Smith County as the Fire Marshal Jimmy W. Seaton Memorial Highway.

SB 2747 (CS) (LC) Paxton
 Relating to limitations applicable to certain agreements providing for a rebate of municipal sales and use taxes or a grant or loan based on those taxes.

SB 2751 (CS) (LC) Paxton/ et al.
 Relating to the inspection of residential and day placement facilities for special education students.

SB 2790 (LC) West/ et al.

Relating to the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway 67 in Dallas and Ellis Counties as the Eddie Bernice Johnson Memorial Highway.

SB 3048 (LC) **Birdwell**

Relating to the creation of the Bluebonnet Hills Municipal Management District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

SB 3050 (LC) **Hughes**

Relating to the creation of the Fannin County Improvement District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

SB 3051 (CS) (LC) **Paxton**

Relating to the creation of the Grassland Municipal Utility District No. 1 of Collin County; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

SB 3052 (LC) **Parker**

Relating to the powers and duties and validating certain acts and proceedings of the Cole Ranch Improvement District No. 1 of Denton County, Texas.

SB 3053 (LC) **Parker**

Relating to the powers and duties and validating certain acts and proceedings of the Hunter Ranch Improvement District No. 1 of Denton County, Texas.

SB 3056 (LC) Hagenbuch

Relating to the creation of the Alluvium Ranch Municipal Management District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

SB 3058 (CS) (LC) Kolkhorst

Relating to certain improvements made and programs developed by the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District.

SB 3061 (LC) Creighton/ et al.

Relating to the eligibility of children of certain elected officials to participate in an education savings account program.

HB 37 (LC) **Plesa/ Oliverson/ Leach/ Orr/ Campos/ et al.** **SP: Huffman/ et al.**

Relating to perinatal bereavement care provided by certain hospitals, a perinatal bereavement care initiative, and a perinatal bereavement care hospital recognition program.

HB 109 (CS) (LC) **Rose/ Thompson/ Leo Wilson** **SP: Kolkhorst**

Relating to the construction, expansion, and operation of certain inpatient mental health facilities and the designation of residential treatment facilities for certain juveniles.

HB 1130 (CS) (LC) **Isaac/ Hayes/ et al.** **SP: Campbell**

Relating to liability of a cavern entity for injuries arising from certain activities.

HB 1238 (LC) **Guillen** **SP: Parker**

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

HB 1327 (LC) Harless/ Simmons SP: Miles

Relating to the continuation of a health care provider participation program by the Harris County Hospital District.

HB 1610 (LC) **Leach/ et al.** **SP: Johnson**

Relating to the nonsubstantive revision of certain provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, including conforming amendments.

HB 1615 (LC) Leach/ et al. SP: Kolkhorst

Relating to the nonsubstantive revision of certain local laws concerning water and wastewater special districts, including a conforming amendment.

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| HB 1620 (LC) | Leach/ et al. | SP: Johnson |
| Relating to nonsubstantive additions to, revisions of, and corrections in enacted codes, to the nonsubstantive codification or disposition of various laws omitted from enacted codes, and to conforming codifications enacted by the 88th Legislature to other Acts of that legislature. | | |
| HB 1689 (LC) | Gerdes | SP: Kolkhorst |
| Relating to the use of certain groundwater export fees collected by a groundwater conservation district. | | |
| HB 2809 (LC) | Rose/ Thompson | SP: Johnson/ et al. |
| Relating to required reporting by the Department of Family and Protective Services regarding youth in the managing conservatorship of the department who attempt suicide. | | |
| HB 2884 (LC) | Landgraf | SP: Kolkhorst |
| Relating to the required disclosure of certain financial relationships in civil actions regarding the activities of United States defense contractors. | | |
| HB 2890 (LC) | Patterson/ Phelan/ Craddick/ Manuel/ Hunter/ et al. | SP: Parker/ et al. |
| Relating to an interstate compact for the liquefied natural gas industry. | | |
| HB 4215 (LC) | Hunter | SP: Schwertner |
| Relating to the regulation of delivery network companies; requiring an occupational permit; authorizing a fee. | | |
| HB 5092 (LC) | Tepper | SP: Perry |
| Relating to the operation and dissolution of the Lubbock Reese Redevelopment Authority and to agreements between Texas Tech University and the authority. | | |
| HCR 7 (LC) | Tepper | SP: Hall/ et al. |
| Designating September 29 as Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Day for a 10-year period ending in 2035. | | |
| HCR 75 (LC) | Shofner | SP: Nichols |
| Designating Hemphill as the official Bass Fishing Capital of Texas for a 10-year period ending in 2035. | | |
| HCR 86 (LC) | Hayes | SP: Parker |
| Designating Denton as the official Halloween Capital of Texas for a 10-year period ending in 2035. | | |
| HCR 92 (LC) | Collier/ Cook/ Rose/ Plesa/ Hayes | SP: West |
| Designating the fourth Thursday of March as Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day for a 10-year period ending in 2035. | | |
| HCR 93 (LC) | Shofner | SP: Nichols |
| Designating Nacogdoches as the official Garden Capital of Texas for a 10-year period ending in 2035. | | |
| HCR 126 (LC) | Ashby | SP: Nichols |
| Designating Corrigan as the official Timber Products Capital of Texas for a 10-year period ending in 2035. | | |
| The following bills were removed from the Local and Uncontested Bills Calendar: | | |
| SB 1086 (LC) | Perry | |
| Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax. | | |
| SB 1553 (LC) | Flores | |
| Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax. | | |
| Committee referral on the following: | | |
| HJR 182 | Patterson | |
| Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount that is greater than amounts previously authorized. | | |
| Veteran Affairs | | |

HB 4**Buckley/ Bernal/ Ashby/ Frank/
Cook/ et al.**

Relating to public school accountability, including the implementation of an instructionally supportive assessment program and the adoption and administration of assessment instruments in public schools, indicators of achievement and public school performance ratings under the public school accountability system, a grant program for school district local accountability plans, and actions challenging Texas Education Agency decisions related to public school accountability.

Education K-16**HB 24****Orr/ Hickland/ Vasut/ Lopez, SP: Hughes
Ray/ Lalani/ et al.**

Relating to procedures for changes to a zoning regulation or district boundary.

Local Government**HB 46****King/ Moody/ Oliverson/ Plesa/
et al.**

Relating to the medical use of low-THC cannabis under and the administration of the Texas Compassionate-Use Program; requiring registration.

State Affairs**HB 101****Guillen**

Relating to creating the Texas State Guard Professionalization Task Force.

Veteran Affairs**HB 146****Geren/ Troxclair**

Relating to the required approval by the State Preservation Board of certain traffic changes near the State Capitol.

Business & Commerce**HB 170****Guillen/ Bumgarner/ Gerdes/
Virdell/ et al.**

Relating to civil liability arising out of justified uses of or threats to use force or deadly force.

State Affairs**HB 214****Guillen/ et al.**

Relating to the prosecution of certain criminal offenses regarding the acquisition of firearms, firearm and ammunition smuggling, and terrorism.

Border Security**HB 305****Hayes**

Relating to the time period for conducting pretrial hearings after a criminal defendant has been restored to competency.

Criminal Justice**HB 426****Bernal/ Dorazio/ Swanson/
Bonnen**

Relating to Medicaid and child health plan program coverage and reimbursement for childhood cranial remolding orthosis.

Health & Human Services**HB 549****Vasut/ et al.**

Relating to the availability and use of airway clearance devices at public school campuses.

Education K-16**HB 551****Swanson/ et al.**

Relating to address information contained on reports of political contributions and expenditures made available on the Internet by the Texas Ethics Commission.

State Affairs**HB 594****Cortez**

Relating to the positions designated as exempt from sheriff's department civil service systems in certain counties.

Local Government

- HB 722** **Bucy/ Morgan**
 Relating to the disclosure of total loss evaluation materials by automobile insurers.
Business & Commerce
- HB 824** **Jones, Jolanda/ Leo Wilson/ Allen/ Cunningham/ LaHood/ et al.**
 Relating to the inclusion of civics instruction in public school government curriculum requirements for high school students.
Education K-16
- HB 1119** **Gámez/ Campos/ Plesa**
 Relating to a biennial report on the regional allocation of mental health beds.
Health & Human Services
- HB 1579** **Guerra/ Talarico/ Plesa/ Dutton/ et al.**
 Relating to establishing the Texas Seal of Biliteracy for public high school students.
Education K-16
- HB 2215** **LaHood/ Lujan/ Johnson/ Pierson/ Louderback/ et al.**
 Relating to the carrying or possession of a handgun by certain retired attorneys representing the state.
State Affairs
- HB 2458** **Virdell/ Guillen/ Isaac/ et al.**
 Relating to a defense to prosecution for the offense of aggravated assault.
Criminal Justice
- HB 2530** **Cook**
 Relating to special appointments in suits affecting the parent-child relationship.
Jurisprudence
- HB 2674** **Cook/ Luther/ Leo Wilson/ Buckley/ Kerwin/ et al.**
 Relating to prohibiting the regulation of home school programs.
Education K-16
- HB 2713** **Darby/ Metcalf/ Spiller**
 Relating to the repeal of a municipal civil service system for firefighters and police officers in certain municipalities.
Local Government
- HB 2974** **Craddick**
 Relating to municipal and county hotel occupancy taxes and the authority of certain municipalities to receive certain tax revenue derived from a hotel and convention center project and to pledge certain tax revenue for the payment of obligations related to the project; authorizing the imposition of taxes.
Economic Development
- HB 3015** **Alders/ et al.**
 Relating to the application of direct primary care fees to insurance deductibles in certain state health benefit plans.
Finance
- HB 3151** **Hull/ et al.**
 Relating to expedited credentialing of certain federally qualified health center providers by Medicaid managed care organizations.
Health & Human Services
- HB 3180** **Dutton**
 Relating to the contents of a request for disclosure in a civil action brought under the Family Code.
Jurisprudence

- HB 3221

Tepper/ Leo Wilson/ Gervin-
Hawkins

Relating to certain employer contributions to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

Finance
- HB 3359

Garcia, Josey

Relating to identifying an individual with veteran's status and providing notice to the Texas Veterans Commission.

Veteran Affairs
- HB 3556

Vasut/ Metcalf/ Leo Wilson/ et al.

Relating to measures to minimize the impact on migratory birds of structures exceeding a certain height in certain counties containing National Wildlife Refuges and in adjacent counties.

Natural Resources
- HB 4088

Bonnen

Relating to the qualifications for jury service.

State Affairs
- HB 4211

Noble/ Leach/ Hunter/ Metcalf/
et al.

Relating to certain residential property interests controlled by certain entities.

Business & Commerce
- HB 4396

King

Relating to the eligibility of the American Performance Horseman and the American Rodeo for funding under the major events reimbursement program.

Economic Development
- HB 4413

Paul

Relating to mass balance attribution of renewable biomass feedstocks used to produce renewable chemicals.

Natural Resources
- HB 4580

Harless

Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of property owned by certain nonprofit corporations and used to promote agriculture, support youth, and provide educational support in the community.

Local Government
- HB 4609

Dean

Relating to participation in, administration of, contributions to, and benefits under the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

Finance
- HB 4864

Metcalf

Relating to the eligibility of a person to serve as an arbitrator in a binding arbitration of an appeal of an appraisal review board order.

Local Government
- HB 5088

Spiller

Relating to the major events reimbursement program and the events trust fund.

Economic Development
- HB 5154

Wilson

Relating to the Joint Admission Medical Program Council.

Education K-16
- HB 5263

Geren/ Leo Wilson

Relating to the accessibility of results from the state assessment.

Education K-16

Committee re-referral on the following:

HB 2294

Relating to reimbursement rates for child-care providers participating in the Texas Rising Star Program.

Re-referred from Economic Development to State Affairs

Thompson/ Bell, Keith/ et al.

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR