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HB 4 Zerwas, John(R) Relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction, including direction regarding reimbursement, and adjustment authority regarding appropriations.

Companions: HB 1650 Zerwas, John(R) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed

Remarks: Reduction – Public Finance Authority for bond debt payments - $35m Reduction – Facilities Commission - $17.6m Reduction – TEA Foundation School Program, Equalized Operations - $643m Reduction – HHSC Facility Capital Repairs - $2m Increase – Library and Archives Commission, Promontory Point Dr - $4.4m Increase – Replaces HHSC Childrens Medicaid Transferred for Harvey Costs - $110m – ESF Increase – Medicaid Shortfall - $2.1b in GR and $2.3b in Federal Funds Increase – State MH Hospitals - $2m; $1m preplanning new construction in panhandle; $1m preplanning new construction for facilities in Dallas ESF Increase – DFPS Foster Care Payments - $83.5m Increase – DFPS Relative Caregiver Payments - $6.8m Reduced – TANF Funds to DFPS for Relative Caregiver Payments - $8.4m Increase – DFPS Day Care Payments - $23m Increase – FSP – Equalized Operations – increased student costs $271.3m; school district property values due to disaster costs $634.2m; TEA increased state costs due to Harvey $636m from ESF Increase – University of Houston/Harvey - $20.2m ESF Increase – University of Houston Downtown/Harvey - $4m ESF Increase – University of Houston Victoria/Harvey - $83k ESF Increase – University of Houston Clear Lake/Harvey - $83k ESF Increase – Lone Star College/Harvey - $13.1m ESF Increase – Texas AM Forest Service/Wildfire - $54.0m Increase – TDCJ Replacement of funds from Harvey - $38.6m ESF Increase – TDCJ Correctional Managed Care - $160m Increase – TDCJ Correctional Officer Overtime - $30m Increase – DPS/Harvey - $97m ESF Increase – DPS Crime Labs - $5.7m Increase – Parks and Wildlife Dept./Harvey - $9m ESF Increase – Texas Workforce Vocational Rehab/Harvey - $8.9m ESF

HB 10 Thompson, Senfronia(D) Relating to grants and programs for researching and treating behavioral health and psychiatric issues.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a grant program overseen by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to new or existing medical

education programs to increase mental health workforce for children and adults.

HB 1473 Middleton, Mayes (F)(R) Relating to disclosure of certain relationships with local government officers and vendors.

Remarks: MGV - For purposes of filing conflicts disclosure statements, expands definition of agent to include a subcontractor for purposes of filing conflicts disclosure statements. Repeals the following from business relationship definition a connection based on a transaction that is subject to rate/fee regulation by a fed, state, or local govt entity, a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or purchase or lease of goods, services from a person that is chartered by a state or fed agency and is subject to regular examination by that agency.

HB 1475 Anderson, Doc(R) Relating to the applicability of certain county road administration laws to McLennan County.

Remarks: WLJ - Adds Mclennan County to those counties that can employ up to four road commissioners, a road superintendent.

HB 1476 Anderson, Doc(R) Relating to the regulation of game rooms in certain counties.

Remarks: MGV - Applies to McLennan County and Smith County. Increases bracket cap from 220,000 to 250,000 to allow for regulation of game rooms.

HB 1477 Price, Four(R) Relating to the use of grants under the emergency medical services assistance program and the distribution of certain revenue received by the comptroller.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a scholarship that would benefit emergency service personnel for Eligible medical and emergency coursework.

HB 1478 Rosenthal, Jon (F)(D) Relating to a prohibition of employment discrimination on the basis of reproductive decisions and certain employment agreements limiting reproductive decisions.

Remarks: MGV - Creates an unlawful employment practice if employer discriminates due to or on basis of a reproductive decision of employee. Defines discrimination based on reproductive decisions as marital status at time of pregnancy, use of assisted reproduction to become pregnant, use of contraception, or obtainment/use of any other health care drug relating to reproductive health.

HB 1482 Lozano, Jose(R) Relating to the offense of hazing.

Companions: SB 38 Zaffirini, Judith(D) (Identical)
2- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice

Remarks: WLJ - would expand "hazing" to include coercing a student to consume alcohol or take drugs. Would make voluntary

reporters of hazing immune from prosecution unless they did the hazing.

HB 1483 Frank, James(R) Relating to a pilot program for assisting certain recipients of public benefits to gain permanent self-sufficiency.

Companions: SB 643 Perry, Charles(R) (Identical)
2- 5-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires HHSC to create a pilot program to assist up to 500 families to acquire self-sufficiency. Would continue SNAP and TANF for up to 0 months regardless of eligibility requirements slowly reducing the benefits.

HB 1484 Metcalf, Will(R) Relating to the selection of the board of directors of an appraisal district.

Remarks: WLJ - provides that appraisal district directors are to be elected in each commissioner's precinct, with one director elected at large from the county. If the county tax assessor-collector collects taxes, he or she will remain a non-voting director. The candidate must be a resident of the county precinct from which elected or from the county if at-large. The candidate must have resided in the appraisal district for at least two years prior to taking office. The director will serve a two-year term, beginning on January 1 of odd numbered ears. A vacancy is filled for the unexpired term by the commissioners court. The filing fee is $1,250 for a county with a population of 200,000 or more and $750 for a county with a population less than 200,000. Elections will begin with the primary and general elections conducted in 2020. Directors take office January 1, 2021.

HB 1485 Metcalf, Will(R) Relating to the selection of the chief appraiser of an appraisal district.

Remarks: WLJ - provide that the chief appraiser is elected at the general election for state and county officers by county voters. The chief appraiser serves a two-year term beginning January 1 of odd-numbered years. The chief appraiser must be a resident of the county and have resided in the county for at least four years preceding taking office. The requirement for a person to hold certain designation(s), such as the Registered Professional Appraiser (RPA), is removed. The filing fee is $1,250 for a county with a population of 200,000 or more and $750 for a county with a population less than 200,000. The commissioners court fills a vacancy in this position. The newlyelected chief appraiser must complete the chief appraiser training course required by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). The chief appraiser may be removed for "incompetency" for failing to complete the required training within one year of election. Election will begin with the primary and general elections conducted in 2020. Prior to the bill's effective date, the CAD board appoints the chief appraiser to serve until the elected person takes office for the term that begins January 1, 2021. The CAD board of directors may contract with another CAD to perform the duties of the appraisal office but not with a taxing unit.

HB 1486 Metcalf, Will(R) Relating to the selection and administration of an appraisal review board.

Remarks: WLJ - provides that county voters shall elect five ARB members at the general election for state and county officers. One member is elected from each of the four commissioners precincts, and one member is elected at large from the county.

HB 1487 Wilson, Terry(R) Relating to the repeal of the driver responsibility program and the amount and allocation of state traffic fine funds.

Companions: HB 1458 Anderson, Doc(R) (Identical)
2- 6-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Repeals the Drivers Responsibility Program. Increases fines for traffic violations by $20, decreases the amount the city/county may retain from 5% to 4%. Creates an additional tiered fine for DWI offenses and driving without insurance, with 50% allocated to trauma fund, 50% to state GR, allows county to retain 4%.

HB 1491 Reynolds, Ron(D) Relating to the establishment of the Texas Environmental Justice Advisory Council.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates an Environmental Justice Advisory Group to review TCEQ programs and advise other state agencies and local governments regarding fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes in the development, adoption, implementation and enforcement of environmental law and policy.

HB 1492 Wray, John(R) Relating to benefits for peace officers who suffer from certain diseases or illnesses.

Remarks: WLJ - Adds peace officers to those who qualify for benefits due to contact with a contagious disease in the line of work. Covers smallpox, tuberculosis, heart attack or stroke,

HB 1493 Krause, Matt(R) Relating to weight limitations for over-the-road buses.

Companions: SB 809 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) (Identical)
2-13-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Excludes from overweight requirements over the road busses. "The term “over-the-road bus” means a bus characterized by an elevated passenger deck located over a baggage compartment."

HB 1494 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to surety bonds for deputy clerks and other employees of county and district clerks.

Remarks: MGV - Expands requirement of a surety bond for a deputy clerk to each deputy clerk or other employee in district clerk office and county clerk office.

HB 1495 Toth, Steve(R) Relating to authorization for the creation of a county ethics commission in certain counties.

Remarks: MGV - Adds to bracket authorizing creation of a county ethics commission in counties a county that has a population of 425, 000, adjacent to a county with a population of 425,000+, and contains portion of San Jacinto River. (Montgomery County)

HB 1498 Metcalf, Will(R) Relating to the prosecution of the offense of continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children.

Remarks: MGV - Expands scope of offense of continuous sexual abuse of a young child regardless of whether the acts are committed against one or more victims

HB 1501 Nevarez, Poncho(D) Relating to the creation of the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council and to the continuation and transfer of the regulation of psychologists, marriage and family therapists.

Companions: SB 611 Nichols, Robert(R) (Identical)
2-12-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ- Creates a 9 member council to oversee the regulation of psychologists, marriage and family therapists, professional counselors and social workers. May create civil and administration penalties.

HB 1503 Patterson, Jared (F)(R) Relating to regulation of mergers and consolidations of power generation companies.

Remarks: VRS - Transfers the authority to merge with another power generation company from the owner of an electric generation facility to a power generation company. Allows this transaction to occur in a power region open to customer choice. Requires that a power generation company get the approval of the utilities commission before closing if the transaction would give the company over 10% ownership or control over the installed generation capacity of the region.

HB 1505 Martinez, Armando(D) Relating to the recording of a criminal offense of transporting household goods without registration in a driving record.

Remarks: MGV - As soon as practicable after a person is convicted of transporting household goods without registration, requires the convicting court to notify DPS of conviction and recorded in person's driving record.

HB 1507 Minjarez, Ina(D) Relating to programs that can be established and funded under the Texas emissions reduction plan.

Companions: SB 765 Menendez, Jose(D) (Identical)
2-12-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Expands as a qualifying expense for the use of TERP funds to include projects that reduce emissions through improvements in energy production efficiency using supercritical carbon dioxide. Supercritical CO2 is carbon dioxide that is above its critical temperature and pressure so that it is in a fluid state, enabling a power plant to generate the same amount of electricity from less fuel when compared to traditional steam and water (Rankine cycle) systems commonly used today.

HB 1512 Coleman, Garnet(D) Relating to the repeal of the criminal offense of homosexual conduct.

Remarks: MGV - Repeals criminal offense of homosexual conduct

HB 1513 Coleman, Garnet(D) Relating to a criminal offense committed against a person because of bias or prejudice on the basis of gender identity or expression.

Remarks: MGV - Expands current list of attributes that allow courts to impose stiffer penalties for crimes committed due to bias to include gender identity or expression.

HB 1518 Coleman, Garnet(D) Relating to the regulation of the sale of dextromethorphan to minors.

Companions: SB 349 Seliger, Kel(R) (Identical)
2- 7-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a civil penalty to a business for the sale of cough syrup to minors.

HB 1521 Burrows, Dustin(R) Relating to liability of certain political subdivisions in certain workersâ€™ compensation actions.

Companions: SB 858 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) (Identical)
2-15-19 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - creates liability for political subdivisions that self-insure for workers comp coverage for sanctions, administrative penalties for an administrative violations and claimant's attorney's fees in a claim filed by an individual elected, appointed, or employed by the political subdivision and subject to certification by the TX Commission on Fire Protection. Penalty may not be less than twice the amount of benefits payable in connection w/ employee's claim

HB 1526 Bell, Cecil(R) Relating to the treatment of a nursery stock weather protection unit as an implement of husbandry for ad valorem tax purposes.

Remarks: adds that a nursery stock protection unit, as defined by Agriculture Code Section 71.041, is considered an implement of husbandry to be exempt from property taxes. These units are currently exempt since the Section 71.041 definition states that the unit is an implement of husbandry for Tex. Const. Article 8, Section 19a. This bill provides the language to connect Section 11.161 to the Agriculture Code.

HB 1527 Neave, Victoria(D) Relating to an employee's liability for sexual harassment.

Remarks: MGV - Creates an unlawful employment practice if an employee engages in sexual harassment of another employee.

HB 1531 Neave, Victoria(D) Relating to the creation of a specialty court for sexual assault victim services.

Remarks: MGV - Gives commissioners court authority to establish a sexual assault victim services court program (integration of services provided by public agencies and community organizations, use of prosecutors with experience prosecuting sexual assault cases). Allows county to accept a grant, gift, donation or bequest from any source for the program.

HB 1533 Collier, Nicole(D) Relating to a political subdivision's adoption of zoning regulations for certain coin-operated machines.

Remarks: WLJ - Authorizes a political subdivision to adopt zoning regulations to govern the exhibition of a music or skill or pleasure coin-operated machine.

HB 1534 Munoz, Sergio(D) Relating to the selection of the board of directors of an appraisal district.

Companions: HB 483 Phelan, Dade(R) (Identical)
12- 7-18 H Filed

Remarks: aph - Establishes a system for the Comptroller to audit an Appraisal District if all taxing units within the AD request such. Also, reconfigured the makeup of the AD to make it elected from one person from each Commissioner precincts and the tax-assessor collector.

HB 1536 Miller, Rick(R) Relating to trauma-informed care for children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services, trauma-informed care training for certain department employees.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires at least 8 hours of trauma informed training be provided to CPS workers. Requires DFPS administrative staff to get training to help those who provide trauma care, create policies and guidelines to prevent children experiencing trauma.

HB 1539 Geren, Charlie(R) Relating to the punishment for the criminal offense of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Remarks: JBD - Lowers the offense level for tampering with evidence to misdemeanor if evidence pertained to misdemeanor.

HB 1543 Springer, Drew(R) Relating to methods to enhance the enforcement of the collection of the use tax due on certain off-highway vehicles purchased outside this state.

Remarks: MGV - Prohibits a county assessor-collector from issuing a title receipt for an off-highway vehicle purchased from an out of state retailer unless applicant shows evidence: of payment to the comptroller of applicable use tax or that applicant isn't required to pay any taxes due to a nonrepairable vehicle

HB 1544 Raymond, Richard(D) Relating to fantasy sports contests.

Companions: SB 731 Kolkhorst, Lois(R) (Identical)
2- 8-19 S Filed

Remarks: JBD - Legalizes fantasy sports operators.

HB 1546 Nevarez, Poncho(D) Relating to the authority of the Kickapoo Indian Tribe to commission peace officers.

Remarks: WLJ - Permits the Kickapoo Indian Tribe to commission peace officers.

HB 1551 Hefner, Cole(R) Relating to the selection of the chief appraiser of an appraisal district.

Remarks: provide that the chief appraiser is elected at the general election for state and county officers by county voters. The chief appraiser serves a two-year term beginning January 1 of odd-numbered years. The chief appraiser must be a resident of the county and have resided in the county for at least four years preceding taking office. The requirement for a person to hold certain designation(s), such as the Registered Professional Appraiser (RPA), is removed. The filing fee is $1,250 for a county with a population of 200,000 or more and $750 for a county with a population less than 200,000. The commissioners court fills a vacancy in this position. The newlyelected chief appraiser must complete the chief appraiser training course required by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). The chief appraiser may be removed for “incompetency” for failing to complete the required training within one year of election. Election will begin with the primary and general elections conducted in 2020. Prior to the bill’s effective date, the CAD board appoints the chief appraiser to serve until the elected person takes office for the term that begins January 1, 2021. The CAD board of directors may contract with another CAD to perform the duties of the appraisal office but not with a taxing unit. Adds the ballot procedures for the office of chief appriaser.

HB 1553 White, James(R) Relating to the composition of the Commission on Jail Standards.

Remarks: WLJ - Amends the composition of the Texas Jail Commission to include a Board Certified Psychiatric Dr. and someone with expertise in veterans services.

HB 1557 Springer, Drew(R) Relating to the authority of a municipality to pledge certain tax revenue for the payment of obligations related to hotel projects.

Remarks: provide that any city may pledge local hotel occupancy tax revenues from a hotel project that is owned or located on land owned by the city, by a nonprofit corporation acting on behalf of the city, or by the federal government, and that is located within 1,000 feet of a convention center facility owned by the city, for the payment of bonds or other obligations issued or incurred to acquire, lease, construct, and equip the hotel and any facilities ancillary to the hotel, including convention center entertainment-related facilities, meeting spaces, restaurants, shops, street and water and sewer infrastructure necessary for the operation of the hotel or ancillary facilities, and parking facilities within 1,000 feet of the hotel or convention center facility.

HB 1558 Paddie, Chris(R) Relating to the severance tax exemption for oil and gas produced from certain inactive wells.

Companions: SB 533 Birdwell, Brian(R) (Identical)
1-30-19 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Creates severance tax exemption for oil and gas produced for inactive wells that are part of an enhanced oil recovery project or drilled but not completed.

HB 1559 Meza, Terry (F)(D) Relating to employment leave for certain family or medical obligations.

Companions: HB 656 Minjarez, Ina(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - would entitle an employee who has been employed by an employer for at least one year to 30 days of leave to: (1) attend to the employee's own health condition; (2) care for certain family members; or (3) to spend time with a child after birth, adoption, or foster care placement.

HB 1560 Dutton, Harold(D) Relating to a tax on title insurance policies written by title insurance companies to fund housing programs and services.

Remarks: WLJ - Provides for a $1 charge on all title insurance policies to be allocated; 1/4 to the foundation school fund; 3/4 to general fund to only be used for programs and services to reduce homelessness.

HB 1568 Hernandez, Ana(D) Relating to the authority of certain municipal employees to request the removal and storage of certain abandoned or illegally parked or operated vehicles.

Remarks: WLJ - allows a home rule city, to aid in the enforcement of an ordinance regulating the operation of vehicles for hire, to authorize an employee to initiate the removal and storage of a vehicle operated in violation of its ordinance without authorization by a peace officer; and allows a city, to aid in its enforcement of an ordinance regulating parking, to authorize an employee to initiate the removal and storage of a vehicle in an area where on-street parking is regulated and that: is parked illegally; or is parked legally, but has been unattended for more than 48 hours and is reasonably believed to be abandoned

HB 1571 Flynn, Dan(R) Relating to enhancing the criminal penalties for burglary of a place of assembly or worship.

Remarks: JBD - Enhances burglary if committed in place of assembly or worship.

HB 1572 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to persons authorized to conduct a marriage ceremony.

Remarks: JBD - Permits criminal law magistrates to perform weddings.

HB 1573 Raney, John(R) Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of capital murder.

Companions: SB 714 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) 2- 8-19 S Filed (Identical)

Remarks: JBD - Cap murder for killing EMS personnel.

HB 1575 Turner, Chris(D) Relating to sexual harassment prevention training and information for employees.

Remarks: JBD - Requires all employers (other than state agencies) to provide sex harassment prevention training to all employees

every 2 years.

HB 1578 Thierry, Shawn(D) Relating to establishing the Mental Health Crisis and Suicide Prevention Task Force.

Remarks: WLJ – Creates the Mental Health Crisis and Suicide Prevention Task Force by HHSC to study the efficacy and feasibility of creating a statewide mental health crisis line for treating mental health crises and preventing suicide.

HB 1579 Cain, Briscoe(R) Relating to the definition of first responder for immunization purposes.

Remarks: VRS - Expands the definition of a first responder to include any federally funded state military personnel on active service. Exempts first responders from liability for either administering an immunization or not administering an immunization at the request of a child's parent.

HB 1580 Phelan, Dade(R) Relating to the creation and storage of DNA records for a person arrested for a felony offense.

Companions:	HB 3513	Faircloth, Wayne(R)	(Refiled from 85R Session)
	HB 1399	Smith, Reggie (F)(R) 2- 5-19 H Filed	(Identical)

Remarks: JBD - Expands DNA testing to all persons arrested for any felony offense. Requires DPS to apply for federal grants to create, store DNA records.

HB 1583 Neave, Victoria(D) Relating to the creation of a government shutdown housing relief loan program.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs to establish and administer a loan program for federal employees who are furloughed during a federal gov. shutdown, to be used for rent, mortgage or utility payments.

HB 1585 Gonzalez, Mary(D) Relating to a study on interest or other waiting lists maintained for certain Medicaid programs providing services to persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires HHSC to conduct a study to examine the interest or other waiting lists maintained for Medicaid that provide services to persons with IDD.

HB 1591 Springer, Drew(R) Relating to the regulation of disease control by the Animal Health Commission.

Remarks: VRS - Requires the Animal Health Commission to protect native cervidae (deer) populations transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (causes tiny holes in the brain) in addition to other communicable diseases. Allows the Commission to eradicate animals for the purpose of controlling disease being spread to deer. Prohibits the Commission from regulating breeder deer within their release site.

HB 1594 Shine, Hugh(R) Relating to a study by the Texas Water Development Board of groundwater availability in certain counties.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires the Texas Water Development Board to conduct a study on the groundwater production in Williamson and Northern Travis Counties.

HB 1595 Paddie, Chris(R) Relating to the deployment of advanced metering and meter information networks in certain areas outside of ERCOT.

Companions: SB 454 Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical) 2-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Remarks: DQ - Intent is to apply the same provisions to north-east Texas (SB 454) and El Paso Electric (SB 512) which are outside ERCOT re. electric meter rollouts that already apply to the ERCOT part of the state.

Advanced meters and meter information networks have been deployed across Texas in ERCOT and Entergy service areas. Proponents (industry) supporters cite cost savings and operational benefits, including enhanced energy management tools and faster outage response times.

ERCOT and Entergy utilities have deployed advanced metering systems by filing with the PUC, and then recovered the costs associated with the deployment through a surcharge authorized by the Leg. Current law is ambiguous as to whether the statute and PUC rules relating to the surcharge and customer protections would apply to deployment of advanced meters and meter information networks in non-ERCOT area of the state – hence this bill.

The bills clarify that the surcharge and applicable customer protections adopted by PUC related to the deployment of advanced metering systems would also allow areas outside ERCOT, if TDSPs there choose to deploy advanced meters and metering information networks, to do so in the same manner as authorized for ERCOT utilities and Entergy. The bills require and ensure that a deployment plan approved contains the same customer protections, data security provisions, and opt-out provisions provided by PUC for ERCOT utilities and Entergy.

HB 1596 Lambert, Stan(R) Relating to a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation by a county, municipality, or junior college district of a portion of the appraised value of the income-producing tangible personal property.

Remarks: WLJ - A qualifying veteran-owned business is entitled to an exemption from property taxation by a county, city, or junior college district of a portion, expressed as a dollar amount, of the appraised value of the income-producing tangible personal property owned by an used in the operation of the business if the exemption is sought for a tax year beginning not later than the fifth anniversary of the date on which the qualifying veteran-owned business began operating in the state; and the exemption is adopted by: the governing body of the county, city, or junior college district in the manner provided by law for official action by the governing body; or a favorable vote of a majority of the qualified voters of the county, city, or junior college district at an election called by the governing body of the county, city, or junior college district, as applicable; require the governing body of a county,

city, or junior college district to call an election upon the receipt of a petition of at least five percent of the number of qualified voters who voted in the most recent election of the county, city, or junior college district, as applicable; the amount of the exemption is $30,000 of the appraised value, unless a smaller amount is specified by the governing body or the petition for the election, as applicable; and once authorized, an exemption may be repealed, decreased, or increased in amount by the governing body of the county, city, or junior college district, but may not be increased to more than $30,000 of the appraised value.

HB 1598 Lambert, Stan(R) Relating to an initiative to increase the capacity of local mental health authorities to provide access to mental health services in certain counties.

Companions: SB 633 Kolkhorst, Lois(R) (Identical)
2- 4-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - In counties of 250k or less HHSC will determine regional groups of 2 or more LMHA's and develop a plan to reduce the cost to local governments, transportation of persons to mh facilities, and reduce incarceration of persons with mh, reduce emergency room visits by persons with mh. HHSC will produce each development plan and post online by 12/2020. Allows HHSC and the LMHA's in the regional plan to develop a group if it identifies funding for implementation.

HB 1600 Israel, Celia(D) Relating to procedures for submitting a ballot to be voted by mail.

Remarks: WLJ - would require the secretary of state to prescribe a procedure for the delivery of a market ballot in person during the early voting period and on election day

HB 1601 Israel, Celia(D) Relating to the release on personal bond of a person who is pregnant.

Remarks: JBD - Pregnant defendant must be released on personal bond unless good cause is shown otherwise.

HB 1606 Lambert, Stan(R) Relating to a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation by a county or municipality of a portion of the appraised value of real property of a business that provides.

Remarks: MGV - Authorizes a county or municipality to enact a local option exemption of appraised value of property owned by a business that provides, or pays for, certain services for honorably discharged veterans without cost.

HB 1609 Tinderholt, Tony(R) Relating to the confidentiality of certain grand juror information.

Remarks: JBD - Makes names of grand jurors confidential. Currently, confidential info of grand jurors - address, telephone, SSN, etc - can be accessed by parties upon showing of good cause. Bill will permit access by media also.

HB 1610 Ashby, Trent(R) Relating to powdered alcohol.

Remarks: WLJ - Adds powdered alcohol to illicit beverages. Prohibits the manufacture and sale in Texas.

HB 1611 Ashby, Trent(R) Relating to regulation in the unincorporated area of a county of high-speed rail activity near schools.

Remarks: WLJ - Permits a county to regulate the operation and activities of high speed rail in the unincorporated area that occur within 5 miles of schools and universities.

HB 1617 Larson, Lyle(R) Relating to the deadline by which the Texas Water Development Board is required to identify and designate brackish groundwater production zones for certain areas of the state.

Remarks: WLJ - Extends the date the Water Development Board has to identify and designate brackish water production zones from 2022 to 2032.

HB 1623 Coleman, Garnet(D) Relating to training for public school personnel to identify and intervene if a student suffers from behavioral health issues.

Remarks: WLJ - Adds trauma informed training for school personnel.

HB 1625 Bell, Keith (F)(R) Relating to the creation of the criminal offense of false report of misconduct by emergency responders.

Remarks: WLJ - would create a criminal offense if a person, with the intent to deceive: knowingly makes a false report that a peace officer or emergency services personnel, while performing official duties, engaged in conduct that violates a law or policy; and makes the report to a law enforcement agency to initiate a criminal investigation or a law enforcement agency or emergency services provider to initiate an administrative or disciplinary action.

HB 1626 Hernandez, Ana(D) Relating to an emergency services coordinator for the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires DFPS to designate an employee as the emergency services coordinator to react to disaster events

HB 1627 Morrison, Geanie(R) Relating to the removal of certain counties from the Texas emissions reduction plan.

Remarks: WLJ - Removes Victoria County as an affected county for the TERP program.

HB 1628 Morrison, Geanie(R) Relating to the authority of coastal counties to adopt certain rules for island parks, beach parks, and public beaches.

Companions: SB 665 Kolkhorst, Lois(R) (Identical)
2- 6-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Permits Coastal County Commissioners Court with a beach wholly or partly operated by the county as a park to adopt rules on camping, access, litter and waste disposal on parks and beaches. Creates a Class C Misdemeanor for violating an ordinance.

HB 1633 Kuempel, John(R) Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows Wilson County to impose a hotel occupancy tax.

HB 1634 Kuempel, John(R) Relating to the authority of certain counties to impose a hotel occupancy tax.

Remarks: WLJ - Permits Guadalupe county comm. court to impose a hotel occupancy tax.

HB 1637 Miller, Rick(R) Relating to required training regarding trauma-informed care for certain judges and attorneys.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires attorneys and judges involved in a parent child termination suit, or appointment of a conservator for the child, to receive trauma informed care.

HB 1643 Martinez Fischer, Trey(D) Relating to Texas Department of Transportation and regional mobility authority comprehensive development agreements for projects in Cameron and Hidalgo Counties.

Remarks: MGV - Authorizes specific projects for comprehensive development agreements between TXDOT and regional mobility authorities in Cameron and Hidalgo Counties.

HB 1644 Martinez Fischer, Trey(D) Relating to Texas Department of Transportation and regional mobility authority comprehensive development agreements.

Remarks: MGV - Authorizes TXDOT to enter into a comprehensive development agreement with regional mobility authorities in for projects in Tarrant, Travis, Williamson, Harris, Dallas, Denton, Bexar, Cameron, Hidalgo, and Smith Counties

HB 1647 Deshotel, Joe(D) Relating to Medicaid reimbursement for dental services provided to adults with disabilities.

Companions: SB 556 Kolkhorst, Lois(R) (Identical)
1-31-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires HHSC include preventative dental for disabled adults under Medicaid.

HB 1649 Kuempel, John(R) Relating to vehicle eligibility for the light-duty motor vehicle purchase or lease incentive program.

Companions: SB 486 Watson, Kirk(D) (Identical)
2-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop

Remarks: WLJ - allows a motorcycle to be funded under light-duty program

HB 1650 Zerwas, John(R) Relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction, including direction regarding reimbursement, and adjustment authority regarding appropriations.

Companions: HB 4 Zerwas, John(R) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed

Remarks: Reduction – Public Finance Authority for bond debt payments - $35m Reduction – Facilities Commission - $17.6m Reduction – TEA Foundation School Program, Equalized Operations - $643m Reduction – HHSC Facility Capital Repairs - $2m Increase – Library and Archives Commission, Promontory Point Dr - $4.4m Increase – Replaces HHSC Childrens Medicaid Transferred for Harvey Costs - $110m – ESF Increase – Medicaid Shortfall - $2.1b in GR and $2.3b in Federal Funds Increase – State MH Hospitals - $2m; $1m preplanning new construction in panhandle; $1m preplanning new construction for facilities in Dallas ESF Increase – DFPS Foster Care Payments - $83.5m Increase – DFPS Relative Caregiver Payments - $6.8m Reduced – TANF Funds to DFPS for Relative Caregiver Payments - $8.4m Increase – DFPS Day Care Payments - $23m Increase – FSP – Equalized Operations – increased student costs $271.3m; school district property values due to disaster costs $634.2m; TEA increased state costs due to Harvey $636m from ESF Increase – University of Houston/Harvey - $20.2m ESF Increase – University of Houston Downtown/Harvey - $4m ESF Increase – University of Houston Victoria/Harvey - $83k ESF Increase – University of Houston Clear Lake/Harvey - $83k ESF Increase – Lone Star College/Harvey - $13.1m ESF Increase – Texas AM Forest Service/Wildfire - $54.0m Increase – TDCJ Replacement of funds from Harvey - $38.6m ESF Increase – TDCJ Correctional Managed Care - $160m Increase – TDCJ Correctional Officer Overtime - $30m Increase – DPS/Harvey - $97m ESF Increase – DPS Crime Labs - $5.7m Increase – Parks and Wildlife Dept./Harvey - $9m ESF Increase – Texas Workforce Vocational Rehab/Harvey - $8.9m ESF

HB 1651 Gonzalez, Mary(D) Relating to the care of pregnant women confined in county jail.

Remarks: WLJ - Clarifies the care a pregnant women is required to receive when in jail. Adds a need to identify when a pregnant prisoner is in labor, that she receives appropriate care and promptly receives transportation to a local hospital. Requires the Jail Commission to adopt rules regarding restraining a pregnant prisoner, unless necessary to prevent escape, or a threat to their own health, the staffs health or other prisoners. Requires a report on use of restraints on pregnant women by February 1 each year.

HB 1652 Huberty, Dan(R) Relating to the public resale by means of a public auction using online bidding and sale of property purchased by a taxing unit at an ad valorem tax sale.

Remarks: WLJ - if directed by the commissioners court of the county, a public resale of property by a taxing unit must be conducted using online bidding and sale.

HB 1653 White, James(R) Relating to certain criminal justice reforms, including measures related to reentry and reintegration of state jail felony defendants and pretrial intervention programs that provide an alternative to incarceration.

Remarks: MGV - Authorizes the community justice assistance division

to provide to a department, municipality, or county operating a pretrial intervention program per capita funding that is a per diem amount for each participating felony defendant. For grants awarded for providing pretrial intervention programs, stipulates the division prioritize departments that serve counties that establish pretrial intervention programs for state jail felony defendants; place eligible defendants into pretrial intervention programs as soon as practicable after each defendant's arrest; or reduce and minimize the avg amount of time defendants spend confined pending trial or placement into a pretrial program. Establishes reporting requirements for grant recipients and the division.

HB 1654 Goldman, Craig(R) Relating to the regulation by a municipality or county of certain employment benefits and policies.

Companions: SB 15 Creighton, Brandon(R) (Identical)
2-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop

Remarks: WLJ - prohibits a city or county from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, order, rule, regulation, or policy requiring any terms of employment that exceed or conflict with federal or state law relating to any form of employment leave, hiring practices, employment benefits, scheduling practices, or other terms of employment; provides that such ordinance, order, rule, regulation or policy is void and unenforceable; excludes from the prohibition described in any ordinance, rule, order, rule, regulation or policy related to: minimum wage; discrimination; or a contract or agreement relating to terms of employment voluntarily entered into between a private employer or entity and a governmental entity; and provides that the prohibition would apply retroactively to any ordinance, order, rule, regulation or policy adopted prior to the effective date of the bill

HB 1655 Hunter, Todd(R) Relating to the availability of dates of birth under the public information law.

Remarks: WLJ - Prohibits a governmental body from withholding a date of birth in a public information request unless it is otherwise excepted by law.

HB 1660 Herrero, Abel(D) Relating to peace officer training on recognizing and recording circumstances that indicate strangulation in certain cases.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires law enforcement training to include recognizing and recording strangulation indications.

HB 1661 Herrero, Abel(D) Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of continuous violence against the family.

Companions: SB 840 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) (Identical)
2-14-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Stipulates that continuous violence against a family can be prosecuted in any county in which the defendant engaged in the conduct and is not defense to prosecution that the offense occurred in more than one county.

HB 1662 Herrero, Abel(D) Relating to grants awarded to reimburse counties for the cost of monitoring defendants and victims in criminal cases involving family violence.

Remarks: WLJ - Establishes a grant program to reimburse counties for the costs of monitoring family violence defendants with a GPS system.

HB 1666 Martinez, Armando(D) Relating to the authorization by referendum on an optional county fee on vehicle registration in certain counties.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows a border county to impose an additional $2 fee on a vehicle registration if approved by voters in the county. The fee must be used for transportation purposes. 50% of the fee to the city/50% to the regional planning commission.

HB 1669 Lucio III, Eddie(D) Relating to a comprehensive plan for increasing and improving the workforce in this state that serves persons with mental health and substance use issues.

Companions: SB 1861 Lucio, Eddie(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Requires HHSC to develop and implement a comprehensive plan to increase mental health and substance abuse workforce.

HB 1686 Smith, Reggie (F)(R) Relating to the application for and duration of a protective order for victims of certain offenses.

Remarks: MGV - If an application has not yet been filed, requires prosecutor to promptly file an application for a protective order for each victim of sexual assault or abuse, stalking, or trafficking following the offender's conviction or placement on deferred adjudication

HB 1688 Blanco, Cesar(D) Relating to the expedited processing of certain applications for permits under the Texas Clean Air Act.

Companions: HB 1708 Lozano, Jose(R) 2-13-19 H Filed (Identical)
SB 698 Birdwell, Brian(R) 2- 7-19 S Filed (Identical)

Remarks: WLJ - Permits TCEQ to charge an applicant, for an expedited air quality application, the costs of expediting the application.

HB 1691 Rosenthal, Jon (F)(D) Relating to compensation for election personnel for a primary election.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires the amount of funds paid to election judges and clerks in a joint primary election be in amount 25% greater than the amount paid in a separate primary election.

HB 1694 Lambert, Stan(R) Relating to limitations on food regulations at farms, farmers' markets, and cottage food production operations.

Companions: SB 789 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) 2-12-19 S Filed (Identical)

Remarks: VRS - Prohibits DSHS or local government authorities (including local health departments) from requiring producers of cottage food to get a permit to provide samples of their food at a farm or farmers market or regulate sampling at farms/farmers markets. Prohibits local government authorities from charging cottage food producers a fee for providing samples of their food.

HB 1696 Rodriguez, Eddie(D) Relating to the preference given by state and local governmental entities to agricultural products produced or grown in this state.

Companions: SB 788 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) (Identical)
2-12-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires School districts, state agencies and local governments to give preference to local agricultural products when purchasing - provided it does not exceed 107% of the cost.

HB 1700 Hunter, Todd(R) Relating to public information in the possession, custody, or control of a current or former officer or employee of a governmental body.

Companions: HB 2670 Hunter, Todd(R) (Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Agreed version of 2015 bill addressing public info on personal devices. Provides that a current or former officer or employee of a governmental body who maintains public information on a privately owned device shall forward or transfer the public information to the governmental body to be preserved or preserve the public information in its original form on the privately-owned device. A current or former officer or employee does not have a personal or property right to public information created or received while acting in an official capacity. A temporary custodian shall surrender within 10 days of a request for the return of the information. The governing body may request the Attorney General to sue to compel the return.

HB 1701 Ortega, Lina(D) Relating to a written assessment regarding a defendant suspected of having a mental illness or an intellectual disability.

Companions: SB 803 Rodriguez, Jose(D) (Identical)
2-12-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a magistrate provide the inmate mental health assessment also to the Sheriff or other person in charge of inmate medical records while confined in jail; a PR bond office if applicable; and to the pretrial office if applicable.

HB 1703 Shaheen, Matt(R) Relating to the eligibility of a person to serve on the appraisal review board of an appraisal district.

Remarks: WLJ - a person who has served for all or part of three consecutive terms as a board member on the appraisal review board of an appraisal district established in a county with a population of 550,000 or more is ineligible to serve on the appraisal review board during the two-year period that

begins on the next January 1 following the third of those consecutive terms.

HB 1704 Shaheen, Matt(R) Relating to the eligibility of a person for appointment as an arbitrator in a binding arbitration of an appraisal review board order.

Remarks: WLJ - a person is not eligible for appointment as an arbitrator if at any time during the preceding two years, the person has represented a person for compensation in a proceeding in the appraisal district in which the property that is the subject of the appeal is located; served as an officer or employee of that appraisal district; or served as a member of the appraisal review board for that appraisal district.

HB 1707 Dominguez, Alex (F)(D) Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for certain feminine hygiene products.

Companions:	HB 410	Springer, Drew(R)	(Refiled from 85R Session)
	HB 716	Wu, Gene(D)	(Refiled from 85R Session)
	HB 755	Wu, Gene(D) 1-11-19 H Filed	(Identical)

Remarks: WLJ - Sales tax exemption for feminine products.

HB 1708 Lozano, Jose(R) Relating to the expedited processing of certain applications for permits under the Texas Clean Air Act.

Companions:	HB 1688	Blanco, Cesar(D) 2-12-19 H Filed	(Identical)
	SB 698	Birdwell, Brian(R) 2- 7-19 S Filed	(Identical)

Remarks: WLJ - Permits TCEQ to charge an applicant, for an expedited air quality application, the costs of expediting the application.

HB 1713 Ramos, Ana-Maria (F)(D) Relating to requiring a person convicted of an offense involving family violence or a felony or a person who is the subject of a protective order to surrender firearms owned by the person.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a court to order the surrender firearm upon a conviction of a felony, an offense involving family violence, if the person is the subject of a protective order for a family code violation, or a magistrates emergency order.

HB 1714 Blanco, Cesar(D) Relating to the designation of certain federal funds for border infrastructure projects.

Companions:	HB 2374	Blanco, Cesar(D)	(Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: MGV - Requires the Governor to allocate 5% of any federal funds designated for border infrastructure or similar funds to border infrastructure projects

HB 1715 Davis, Yvonne(D) Relating to registration of certain establishments providing assisted living services.

Remarks: WLJ - Expands licensing and regulations to group assisted living homes that provide services to 3 or less persons.

HB 1719 Thompson, Senfronia(D) Relating to the penalties for the possession of small amounts of Penalty Group 1 controlled substances and marihuana.

Remarks: MGV - Reduces penalty for possession of penalty group 1 controlled substances less than one gram from a state jail felony to a Class A misdemeanor. Reduces penalty for possession of 2oz or less of marihuana from a class B misdemeanor to Class C

HB 1720 Blanco, Cesar(D) Relating to a study on the benefits of using certain motor vehicle technologies to alleviate traffic congestion at certain ports of entry in this state.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires TxDot to conduct a study on technologies that will alleviate congestion at ports of entry at Mexico/Texas border.

HB 1721 Israel, Celia(D) Relating to a violation regarding the purchase, possession, or consumption of alcoholic beverages by a minor or the misrepresentation of age by a minor.

Remarks: MGV - Clarifies a minor may not consume or possess an alcoholic beverage. Repeals criminal penalties and replaces with civil penalties for alcohol-related violations by a minor in an amount not to exceed $500.

HB 1722 Coleman, Garnet(D) Relating to the establishment by counties and municipalities of disease control programs to reduce the risk of certain infectious and communicable diseases.

Remarks: VRS - Allows the HHSC commissioner to allow a commissioners court to declare a public health emergency for the purpose of starting a needle exchange program if proof is given of the incidence/spread of drug-use related intravenous disease in the county. Prohibits state funds from being used for the program.

HB 1724 Ramos, Ana-Maria (F)(D) Relating to an exemption for teachers from the payment of a fee for the issuance of a driver's license or personal identification certificate.

Remarks: VRS - Exempts teachers from paying a drivers license or state ID fee.

HB 1726 Meza, Terry (F)(D) Relating to an exemption from the motor vehicle sales and use tax for certain military service members serving on active duty.

Remarks: WLJ - Exempts form the motor vehicle sales and use tax for active duty military members who are residents of Texas and deployed outside of the country.

HB 1728 Meza, Terry (F)(D) Relating to rest breaks for employees of certain contractors with a governmental entity.

Companions: HB 3899 Neave, Victoria (F)(D) (Refiled from 85R

Session)

HB 1729 Murphy, Jim(R) Relating to the amount of the discount allowed for prepayment of sales and use taxes.

Remarks: MGV - Currently, a taxpayer who prepays sales and use tax may discount 1.25% of the amount of the prepayment. Would allow the taxpayer to discount the lesser of 1.25% of the amount of prepayment or an annually adjusted percentage of the prepayment that yields an annualized rate of return equal to the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on first business day of each calendar year, plus 4%.

HB 1733 Zedler, Bill(R) Relating to advertising or other information regarding licensed bail bond sureties posted in secure correctional facilities.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows for advertisement or other information regarding a bail bond surety or an agent of a bail bondsman licensed in the county, in a secure correctional facility (includes jail).

HB 1736 Rosenthal, Jon (F)(D) Relating to annual applications for ballots to be voted by mail.

Remarks: WLJ - Stipulates and application to vote by mail must be submitted annually.

HB 1738 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to telehealth and home telemonitoring services, including the provision of those services under Medicaid.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows the use of telehealth and home telemonitoring services for a child with chronic and complex medical needs. Provides for a Medicaid reimbursement rate be included.

HB 1741 Holland, Justin(R) Relating to the creation of an additional county court at law in Rockwall County.

Companions: SB 844 Hall, Bob(R) (Identical)
2-14-19 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a statutory county court at law in Rockwall County.

HB 1743 King, Tracy(D) Relating to the additional ad valorem tax and interest imposed as a result of a change of use of certain land.

Remarks: WLJ - Reduces the rate of ad valorem charged on the change of land to 5 percent and decreased the change of time from 5 years to 3 years preceding the change.

HB 1744 Smithee, John(R) Relating to limitations periods in arbitration proceedings.

Remarks: WLJ - Prohibits bring a claim of arbitration de to expiration of applicable limitations period.

HB 1745 Geren, Charlie(R) Relating to the authority of a property owner or owner's agent to bring suit to compel an appraisal district, chief appraiser, or appraisal review board to

comply with a procedural requirement applicable to an ad valorem tax p

Remarks: MGV - Authorizes a property owner or owner's agent to bring a limited suit to compel a CAD or ARB to comply with a procedural requirement related to a tax protest. Allows property owner or agent to bring suit by filing a petition or application in district court.

HB 1746 Lozano, Jose(R) Relating to sources of funding and administration of the Texas emissions reduction plan.

Remarks: WLJ - Extends fee revenue for the TERP program through the last day of the fiscal year which TCEQ publishes in the Register of nonattainment. Prohibits TCEQ from being used for contract labor to administer grant funding. Increases the amount TCEQ may use to conduct research from $2.5m to $5m.

HB 1747 Lozano, Jose(R) Relating to the expedited processing of certain applications for permits under the Clean Air Act.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows TCEQ to be appropriated any revenue collected from fees for expedited air quality applications.

HB 1751 Collier, Nicole(D) Relating to a prohibition on sex discrimination in employment compensation.

Companions: SB 160 Rodriguez, Jose(D) (Identical)
2- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop

Remarks: MGV - Prohibits sex discrimination in employment compensation by prohibiting an employer from inquiring into and consideration of wage history information.

Creates an unlawful employment practice if the employer discriminates on basis of sex by paying wages to an employee at a rate less than the rate at which the employer pays wages to another employee of the same sex for same or substantially similar work with following exception: sen iority, merit, system that measures earnings by quantity or quality of production, or a bona fide differential.

HB 1752 Clardy, Travis(R) Relating to the construction manager-at-risk method of contracting for governmental construction projects.

Companions: SB 808 Nichols, Robert(R) (Identical)
2-13-19 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Requires a construction manager-at-risk to use competitive bidding method or competitive sealed proposal method to consider a contract with a trade contractor or subcontractor for a governmental entity to consider a contract with a contractor.

HB 1753 Allen, Alma(D) Relating to the early release from supervision of certain persons released on parole or to mandatory supervision.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a parole board to consider parole for a person that has served up to 10 years of a sentence.

HB 1755 Thompson, Ed(R) Relating to the titling, registration, and inspection of assembled vehicles.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires DMV create a procedure for the issuance of a title and registration for an assembled vehicle. Requires an owner present Id and apply for the title in the county where the car is domiciled. Allows the Dept to refuse to issue a registration for an unsafe vehicle.

HB 1760 White, James(R) Relating to the confidentiality, sharing, sealing, and destruction of juvenile records and certain records of at-risk youth.

Remarks: WLJ - prohibits disclosure of confidential information of juvenile information. Allows copying and inspection of juvenile records to include a child's parent, the attorney representing the child, the prosecuting attorney and an individual who the child is referred for treatment, including assistance in transitioning to the community after discharge.

Requires a juvenile court to immediately seal all records related to the alleged conduct if the court finds allegations are not true.

HB 1761 Coleman, Garnet(D) Relating to credit toward a defendant's sentence for time confined in jail or prison before sentencing.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires the judge to give a defendant credit for any time the defendant was confined in jail/prison for another case if the confinement occurred after the commission of the crime for which the defendant was convicted and prior to sentencing.

HB 1762 Cole, Sheryl (F)(D) Relating to the facilitation of voting by persons confined in certain jails.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows a secure voting box, for early voting ballots, in a jail if approved by a sheriff or jail administrator. Allows an inmate to vote if they are a qualified voter and in possession of an early voting mail in ballot.

HJR 5 Thompson, Senfronia(D) Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Public Finance Authority to fund research, treatment, and access to services in this state for behavioral health, mental

Remarks: WLJ - Allows the Texas Finance Authority to issue GO bonds for the research of behavioral health issues, substance abuse use and addiction issues for adults and children. Address mental health professional in the state, increase access to programs and increase the use of telemedicine. Proceeds from the sale of the bonds shall be deposited in the treasury to be used by HHSC to be used for grants to Universities, state agencies or other governmental entities.

HJR 67 Pacheco, Leo (F)(D) Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the operation of five casinos in this state by licensed persons in certain municipalities that have approved casino gaming.

Remarks: WLJ - would amend the Texas Constitution to provide that the legislature shall authorize casino gaming in a limited number of cities if approved at a local option election in the city

HJR 68 Nevarez, Poncho(D) Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to conduct gaming by executing a gaming agreement with this state.

Remarks: would amend the Texas Constitution to allow the Kickapoo tribe to execute a gaming agreement.

HJR 69 Lambert, Stan(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation by a county, municipality, or junior college district of a portion of the market value.

Remarks: WLJ - amend the Texas Constitution to authorize a local option property tax exemption for a portion of the market value of income-producing tangible personal property owned by a veteran-owned business during the business's initial period of operation in the state.

HJR 70 Lambert, Stan(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the governing body of a county or municipality to adopt a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion, expressed as a dollar amount, of the market value.

Remarks: WLJ - would amend the Texas Constitution to authorize the governing body of a county or city to adopt a local option property tax exemption of a portion, expressed as a dollar amount, of the market value of real property of a business that provides, or pays for the provision of, certain services for honorably discharged veterans without cost

HJR 71 Canales, Terry(D) Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing certain judges to become a candidate for another office without automatically resigning from the office already held.

Remarks: WLJ - Constitutional Amendment that Removes from the resign to run provisions -Judges of the County Courts at Law, County Criminal Courts, County Probate Courts and County Domestic Relations Courts

HJR 72 White, James(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment permitting a person to hold more than one office as an unpaid municipal judge.

Remarks: WLj - Constitutional Amendment to allow a person to hold more than one office as an elected or appointed municipal judge in more than one city if they receive no salary for any office of municipal judge held by the person.

HJR 73 Meza, Terry (F)(D) Proposing a constitutional amendment to reserve to the people the powers of initiative and referendum.

Remarks: WLJ - Constitutional Amendment to allow Texas citizens to amend the constitution and statutory law by way of petition.

SB 15 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the regulation by a municipality or county

of certain employment benefits and policies.

Companions: HB 1654 Goldman, Craig(R) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed

Remarks: prohibits a city or county from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, order, rule, regulation, or policy requiring any terms of employment that exceed or conflict with federal or state law relating to any form of employment leave, hiring practices, employment benefits, scheduling practices, or other terms of employment; provides that such ordinance, order, rule, regulation or policy is void and unenforceable; excludes from the prohibition described in any ordinance, rule, order, rule, regulation or policy related to: minimum wage; discrimination; or a contract or agreement relating to terms of employment voluntarily entered into between a private employer or entity and a governmental entity; and provides that the prohibition would apply retroactively to any ordinance, order, rule, regulation or policy adopted prior to the effective date of the bill

SB 601 Hall, Bob(R) Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Veterans Commission.

Companions: HB 1327 Flynn, Dan(R) (Identical)
2- 4-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Veterans Commission sunset bill. Watch for amendments.

SB 605 Buckingham, Dawn(R) Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Historical Commission.

Companions: HB 1422 Paddie, Chris(R) (Identical)
2- 6-19 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Extends Texas Historical Commission from September 1, 2019 to September 1, 2031. Repeals the Texas Courthouse Preservation Program Advisory Committee.

SB 611 Nichols, Robert(R) Relating to the creation of the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council and to the continuation and transfer of the regulation of psychologists, marriage and family therapists, professional counselors, and social workers.

Companions: HB 1501 Nevarez, Poncho(D) (Identical)
2- 7-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ- Creates a 9 member council to oversee the regulation of psychologists, marriage and family therapists, professional counselors and social workers. May create civil and administration penalties.

SB 688 Perry, Charles(R) Relating to height limitations for certain vehicles transporting seed cotton or cotton.

Remarks: WLJ - Prohibits a semi truck and trailer from hauling cotton or seed cotton on a highway or road if it is higher than 14 feet 6 inches.

SB 691 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) Relating to repealing automatic driver's license suspensions for certain drug offenses.

Companions: HB 1013 White, James(R) (Identical)
1-23-19 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Repeals automatic driver's license suspensions on final conviction of an offense under the Controlled Substances Act; a drug offense; or a felony possession or delivery of drug paraphernelia, illegal barter, expenditure, or investment, unauthorized disclosure of information, prints, official RX form without approval, fraud involving RX w/ forged signature, uses a RX issued to another person; unlawful transfer, receipt of chemical lab apparatus; use of child in commission of offense;

SB 693 West, Royce(D) Relating to the reporting of certain information involving family violence offenses.

Companions: HB 1528 Rose, Toni(D) (Identical)
2- 7-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires the computerized criminal history system to include judgment's regarding family violence.

SB 694 Campbell, Donna(R) Relating to the regulation of aggregate production operations by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows TCEQ to do surprise inspections at aggregate production operations if the facility has been issued a violation in the last two years.

SB 695 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to state policies and programs that affect the funding of flood planning, mitigation, and infrastructure projects.

Remarks: MGV - Creates TX Infrastructure Resiliency Fund to be used and administered by TX Water Development Board (TWDB) to make grants, low-interest loans, or zero interest loans to eligible subdivisions for a flood project. Appropriates $3b out of the ESF. Consists of legislative appropriations, GO bond proceeds, fees other sources of revenue, others. Charges TWDB with establishing a point system for prioritizing flood projects from the fund.

SB 696 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to peace officer instruction on the trafficking of persons and compelling prostitution.

Remarks: MGV - Require a peace officer to complete basic education on the trafficking of persons

SB 698 Birdwell, Brian(R) Relating to the expedited processing of certain applications for permits under the Texas Clean Air Act.

Companions: HB 1688 Blanco, Cesar(D) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed
HB 1708 Lozano, Jose(R) (Identical)
2-13-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Permits TCEQ to charge an applicant, for an expedited air quality application, the costs of expediting the application.

SB 699 Hall, Bob(R) Relating to the certification of an areas's wet or dry status for the purpose of an alcoholic beverage permit or license.

Companions: HB 1443 Thompson, Senfronia(D) (Identical)
2- 6-19 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Sets 30-day deadline for county clerk to certify that a liquor permit applicant's business location is in a "wet" part of the county. Currently there is no deadline.

SB 701 Nichols, Robert(R) Relating to the qualification of land for appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes as timber land or restricted-use timber land.

Companions: HB 1409 Ashby, Trent(R) (Identical)
2- 5-19 H Filed

Remarks: aph - companion for HB 1409, prevents a chief appraiser from considering portions of a tract of land with a restricted-use timber designation from an increased valuation if that land is used for other purposes as long as the whole tract qualifies for timber production.

SB 702 Bettencourt, Paul(R) Relating to the authorization and reporting of expenditures for lobbying activities by certain political subdivisions and other public entities.

Remarks: MGV - Permits a political subdivision or entity to spend money to directly or indirectly influence or attempt to influence the out come of any legislation pending before the legislature only if expenditure is authorized by a majority of the governing body in an open meeting of governing body. Requires the political subdivision or entity to report to TX Ethics Commission and publish on the subdivision's website amount of money authorized, name of any person required to register, and copy of contract for services, amount of public money spent for membership fees and dues of any nonprofit state association or organization. Requires Ethics Commission to create a public database concerning such reports. If political subdivision does not comply, entitles an interest part to appropriate injunctive relief to prevent further activity in violation. Applicable to political subdivisions, regional mobility authority, transit authority, regional tollway authority, special purpose district, public institution of higher ed, community college district, publicly owned utility, and river authority.

SB 703 Bettencourt, Paul(R) Relating to the reporting by local governmental entities of expenditures for lobbying.

Remarks: MGV - Requires governing body of a local entity(county, city, school district, or hospital district) to file with Texas Ethics Commission a statement of expenditures for lobbying activities each odd-numbered year. Requires posting each statement on entity's website. Creates $500 civil penalty for late filing of statement based on any available evidence. If statement is more than 30 days late, requires Commission to issue a warning of liability and if penalty is not paid before the 10th day after date warning is received, creates liability for entity for a civil penalty to be determined by commission, but not exceed $10,000.

SB 710 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to authorization for the creation of a county ethics commission in any county.

Remarks: JBD - Repeals the El Paso-only bracket on the provisions permitting counties to create ethics commission. So all counties will be permitted to create county ethics commissions.

SB 714 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of capital murder.

Companions: HB 1573 Raney, John(R) (Identical)
2-11-19 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Cap murder for killing EMS personnel.

SB 715 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) Relating to an exemption from sales and use taxes for firearms and hunting supplies for a limited period.

Companions: SB 457 Creighton, Brandon(R) (Identical)
2-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Remarks: aph - creates a sales tax holiday for the last weekend in August for hunting supplies, firearms, and ammunition.

SB 717 Lucio, Eddie(D) Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of property owned by a charitable organization that provides a meeting place and support services for organizations that provide assistance to alcoholics or their families.

Companions: HB 1414 Craddick, Tom(R) (Identical)
2- 6-19 H Filed

Remarks: aph - adds an exemption for entities providing meeting places and support services to alcoholics and their families.

SB 719 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) Relating to the prosecution of the offense of capital murder.

Companions: HB 3894 Frank, James(R) (Refiled from 85R Session)
HB 261 Frank, James(R) (Identical)
11-12-18 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - would allow capital murder charges if the victim is under age 15. Current law is under age 10.

SB 731 Kolkhorst, Lois(R) Relating to fantasy sports contests.

Companions: HB 1544 Raymond, Richard(D) (Identical)
2- 8-19 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Legalizes fantasy sports operators.

SB 734 Watson, Kirk(D) Relating to electronic voter registration.

Companions: HB 361 Israel, Celia(D) (Identical)
11-15-18 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ-Requires the secretary of state to permit a voter to fill out a voter registration online, print it out, and mail it to the county registrar.

SB 735 Watson, Kirk(D) Relating to the statute of limitations for certain sexual assault offenses.

Remarks: JBD - Tolls the statute of limitations for sex assault where DNA evidence is collected until all DNA profiles are obtained and matched to persons.

SB 736 Watson, Kirk(D) Relating to the admissibility of evidence of other similar offenses in the prosecution of certain sexual offenses.

Remarks: JBD - Expands the use of "other crimes" evidence in sex assault prosecutions.

SB 737 Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to adjudication of claims arising from certain written contracts with state agencies.

Companions: HB 1185 Cyrier, John(R) (Identical)
1-29-19 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Covers state agencies only. The current waiver of immunity for breach "of an express provision" of a contract is amended to drop that limitation. So state can be sued for breach of contract even if breach not related to express provision. State also subject to delay damages and attorney fees even if not provided in the contract.

SB 738 Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to the rate at which interest accrues in connection with the deferral or abatement of the collection of ad valorem taxes on certain residence homesteads.

Companions: HB 1148 Murphy, Jim(R) (Identical)
1-28-19 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Shifts from 5% to the five-year constant maturity treasury rate at which interest accrues during a deferral or abatement period.

SB 739 Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to the creation and operation of the Northeast Texas Trail State Park.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows the Parks Dept to create the Northeast Texas Trail State Park, allows the Dept to enter into an ILA with a city or county that owns or controls the land. Also allows the Dept. to enter into operational partnerships with political subdivisions for operation of portions of the park.

SB 745 Schwertner, Charles(R) Relating to eliminating distinctions in the application of consent annexation requirements.

Companions: HB 347 King, Phil(R) (Identical)
11-14-18 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Would essentially eliminate most unilateral annexations by any city. Repeals distinction between Tier 1 and Tier 2 cities and counties for application of consent annexation requirements. For an area that contains less than 100 separate tracts of land on which there is at least 1

residential dwelling on each tract, explicitly requires the municipality to give written notice of its intent to annex to municipality, county, fire protection service provider, EMS provider, and special districts that provide services in the proposed area.

SB 746 Campbell, Donna(R) Relating to certain procedures associated with voter approval of municipal annexation.

Remarks: WLJ - would modify the provisions that authorize a countywide election to adopt Tier 2 status to: lower the petition threshold from 10 percent to seven percent of the registered voters in the county; and (2) provide that, in relation to Tier 2 cities; if a city does not obtain the number of signatures on a petition required to annex an area, it may not annex any part of the area and may not adopt another resolution to annex any part of the area until the fifth anniversary of the date the petition period ended; and if a majority of qualified voters do not approve a proposed annexation at an election called for that purpose, it may not annex any part of the area and may not adopt another resolution to annex any part of the area until the fifth anniversary of the date of the adoption of the resolution

SB 751 Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to the creation of a criminal offense for fabricating a deceptive video with intent to influence the outcome of an election.

Remarks: JBD - New offense for creating and publishing "deep fake video" with intent to influence an election. Video created using artificial intelligence purporting to show a person performing an action that did not occur in reality.

SB 752 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to liability of volunteer health care providers and health care institutions for care, assistance, or advice provided in relation to a disaster.

Remarks: WLJ - Provides for a volunteer health care provider during the time of disaster they are not liable for an act or omission that occurs in the providing of care.

SB 757 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) Relating to electronic voter registration.

Companions: HB 80 Alvarado, Carol(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: MJV-Requires the secretary of state to allow a voter to complete a registration application on their website. The SOS will forward the application to the appropriate county registrar.

SB 760 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) Relating to the prosecution of and criminal penalties for the possession of marihuana concentrate.

Remarks: JBD - Creates new offenses for possession and distribution of marijuana concentrate.

SB 761 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to the regulation of oyster harvesting; increasing a criminal penalty.

Remarks: MGV - Increases penalty from a Class C Parks and Wildlife misdemeanor to a Class B Parks and Wildlife misdemeanor for possession of oysters in which 30%+ of oysters measured

less than 3" or an offense related to the harvest of oysters from a closed area

SB 762 Campbell, Donna(R) Relating to wages and employment benefits.

Remarks: MGV - Prohibits municipalities or counties from requiring an employer in the municipality or county to provide employment benefits.

SB 765 Menendez, Jose(D) Relating to programs that can be established and funded under the Texas emissions reduction program.

Companions: HB 1507 Minjarez, Ina(D) (Identical)
2- 7-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Expands as a qualifying expense for the use of TERP funds to include projects that reduce emissions through improvements in energy production efficiency using supercritical carbon dioxide. Supercritical CO2 is carbon dioxide that is above its critical temperature and pressure so that it is in a fluid state, enabling a power plant to generate the same amount of electricity from less fuel when compared to traditional steam and water (Rankine cycle) systems commonly used today.

SB 775 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the purchase of necessary real property for the construction of a high-speed rail project.

Companions: HB 1369 Harris, Cody (F)(R) (Identical)
2- 5-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Prohibits construction on a high speed rail project prior to purchase of all real property for the property.

SB 777 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to local government prohibitions or restrictions on the sale or use of a container or package.

Companions: HB 856 Hinojosa, Gina(D) (Identical)
1-16-19 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Repeals prohibition on local governments, political subdivisions from adopting ordinances banning plastic bag bans.

SB 779 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the prima facie speed limit in certain urban districts.

Remarks: WLJ- Creates in cities greater than 790k population that the default speed limit is 25 miles in the urban district and 15 miles in an alley.

SB 780 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to the offense of passing certain vehicles on a highway.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates an offense for not slowing while passing, or not moving to the farthest lane - a garbage truck in operation of garbage collection.

SB 782 West, Royce(D) Relating to a law enforcement policy regarding a peace officer accessing a recording from the officer's body worn camera.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a policy related to entitling an officer to access before making a statement about an incident the body camera recording.

SB 787 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to a reduced licensing fee for certain former license holders.

Remarks: WLJ - Provides for a discounted occupational license for a new parent.

SB 788 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) Relating to the preference given by state and local governmental entities to agricultural products produced or grown in this state.

Companions: HB 1696 Rodriguez, Eddie(D) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires School districts, state agencies and local governments to give preference to local agricultural products when purchasing - provided it does not exceed 107% of the cost.

SB 789 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) Relating to limitations on food regulations at farms, farmers' markets, and cottage food production operations.

Companions: HB 1694 Lambert, Stan(R) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed

Remarks: VRS - Prohibits DSHS or local government authorities (including local health departments) from requiring producers of cottage food to get a permit to provide samples of their food at a farm or farmers market or regulate sampling at farms/farmers markets. Prohibits local government authorities from charging cottage food producers a fee for providing samples of their food.

SB 790 Buckingham, Dawn(R) Relating to certain audit and reporting requirements of regional planning commissions.

Remarks: MGV - Removes Comptroller as a recipient of regional planning commissions audits and annual receipt/expenditure of funds report.

SB 791 Buckingham, Dawn(R) Relating to the accreditation of and a recipient's enrollment in a Medicaid managed care plan.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a MCO to be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting entity to receive a contract from HHSC.

SB 793 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) Relating to the jurisdiction of county and justice courts in civil matters.

Companions: HB 1033 Murr, Andrew(R) (Identical)
1-23-19 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Increases civil jurisdiction of JP courts from $10k to $20k.

SB 795 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) Relating to health benefit plan coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs.

Companions: HB 937 Davis, Sarah(R) (Identical)
1-18-19 H Filed

Remarks: Wlj - requires a health benefit plan to cover a 12 month contraceptive prescription (1 time RX)

SB 799 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) Relating to the creation of a business advisory council to provide advice on economic recovery following a disaster.

Remarks: MGV - Creates a business advisory council to provide advice to state, local governments on economic recovery following a disaster

SB 801 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to protective orders.

Remarks: MGV - To facilitate settlement, allows the parties to a family violence proceeding to agree to a protective order applying to the person who committed family violence.

SB 803 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to a written assessment regarding a defendant suspected of having a mental illness or an intellectual disability.

Companions: HB 1701 Ortega, Lina(D) (Identical)
2-12-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a magistrate provide the inmate mental health assessment also to the Sheriff or other person in charge of inmate medical records while confined in jail; a PR bond office if applicable; and to the pretrial office if applicable.

SB 804 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to conditions of community supervision for defendants convicted of certain criminal offenses involving animals.

Remarks: WLJ -Expands animal abuse offenses in which a judge can mandate relinquishing custody of an animal.

SB 806 Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) Relating to eligibility to serve as an interpreter in an election.

Companions: HB 1887 Romero, Ramon(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)
HB 1888 Romero, Ramon(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)
SB 148 Garcia, Sylvia(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Allows a voter to select an interpreter of their choice as long as the interpreter is not their employer, or an officer of a labor union the voter is a member of. If the voter does not have a self-selected interpreter, the election officer must appoint an interpreter as long as that interpreter is registered to vote in the county or an adjacent county.

SB 808 Nichols, Robert(R) Relating to the construction manager-at-risk method of contracting for governmental construction projects.

Companions: HB 1752 Clardy, Travis(R) (Identical)
2-13-19 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Requires a construction manager-at-risk to use competitive bidding method or competitive sealed proposal method to consider a contract with a trade contractor or subcontractor for a governmental entity to consider a contract with a contractor.

SB 809 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to weight limitations for over-the-road buses.

Companions: HB 1493 Krause, Matt(R) (Identical)
2- 7-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Excludes from overweight requirements over the road busses. "The term “over-the-road bus” means a bus characterized by an elevated passenger deck located over a baggage compartment."

SB 812 Lucio, Eddie(D) Relating to the application of the limit on appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes to an improvement that is a replacement structure.

Companions: HB 1842 Thompson, Senfronia(D) (Identical)
2-14-19 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Clarifies the definition "disaster recovery program" for the replacement value of a homestead for property tax purposes to be money authorized by the federal government.

SB 815 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to the creation and preservation of certain records of criminal proceedings.

Remarks: WLJ - Amends the records retention requirement for communication between the arrested person and the magistrate to be in compliance with the applicable records retention schedule set by the Texas State Library Archives Commission. Defines videoconference for magistration purposes.

SB 822 Nelson, Jane(R) Relating to the administration of a grant program to support community mental health programs for veterans and their families.

Remarks: WLJ - Currently the veterans grant program is administered by the Meadows Institute, this legislation transfers it to HHSC. Requires 50% matching funds for services provided in a singe county over 250k, 100% matching funds in a county of 250k or more. For a community collaborative it is 50% if the largest county has 250k/ 100% if over 250k

SB 823 Nelson, Jane(R) Relating to the sale by certain municipalities of leased land located near the shoreline of a lake.

Companions: HB 837 Geren, Charlie(R) (Identical)
1-16-19 H Filed

Remarks: aph - authorizes Fort Worth to sell land near the shoreline of a lake to sell land leased to a person at a fair market value of the land. Targets land around Eagle Mountain Lake.

SB 824 Nelson, Jane(R) Relating to the local regulation of the sale of lemonade or other beverages by children.

Companions: HB 234 Krause, Matt(R) (Identical)
11-12-18 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - would prohibit local governments and other authorities from adopting or enforcing any regulation prohibiting a child from selling lemonade or other non-alcoholic beverages from a stand on private property.

SJR 38 Creighton, Brandon(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to set a lower limit and provide for more than one limit on the maximum appraisal value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.

Companions: SJR 28 Creighton, Brandon(R) (Refiled from 85R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Constitutional Amendment changes the 10% cap to 3% if the home's appraised value is $1 million or less and 5% if the home's value is more than $1 million.

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