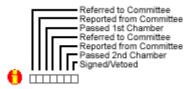
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🕕 🔲 HB 11

Thompson, Ed(R)

Relating to transfer of the driver licensing program from the Department of Public Safety of the State of

Texas to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles .

Remarks: WLJ - CS aph - transfers the responsibilities for issuing

driver's licenses from DPS to DMV.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Transportation

🕕 🔲 HB 13

Phelan, Dade(R)

Relating to flood planning, mitigation, and

infrastructure projects.

Remarks: MGV - ENG Adds construction and implementation of nonstructural projects as eligible flood projects.

> CS Charges State Soil and Water Conservation Board with the 10-vr dam repair and maintenance plan. Requires application to include whether project could use be used for water supply purposes.

Appropriates \$3.26B from ESF and creates the flood infrastructure fund as a special fund outside of the general fund to be administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) to award or loan state dollars to political subdivisions in cooperation with others in a region to encourage development of nonstructural and structural flood mitigation.

Authorizes the following for use of fund: to make a loan to an eligible political subdivision at or below market interest rates for a flood project; to make a grant, low interest loan, or zero interest loan to an eligible political subdivision for a flood project to serve an outside area of a MSA or an economically distressed area (median household income that isn't greater than 85% of median state income); to make a loan at or below market interest rates for planning and design costs, permitting costs, or costs associated with sate or fed regulatory activities; to make a grant to an eligible political

subdivision to provide matching funds to enable participation in a federal program for a flood project; source of revenue or security for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the board; and pay expenses of board in administering of fund.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

1 □ HB 14 Stucky, Lynn(R) Relating to higher education student loan repayment

assistance for peace officers.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - the person must agree to continued employment

as full-time peace officers in Texas for a specified period

WLJ - Requires creation of a state loan repayment fund for a person that becomes a state/local government peace officer

who has served at least 1 year.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

Thompson, Senfronia(D) Relating to the prosecution of, penalties for, and other

consequences of prostitution, trafficking of persons, and related criminal offenses, the admissibility of

evidence.

Companions: SB 20 Huffman, Joan(R) (Identical)

4- 2-19 H Referred to House Committee on

House Criminal Jurisprudence

Remarks: WLJ - CS- JBD - Mandates participation in prostitution

prevention programs for certain defendants if the county has a program. If the county does have a program, must provide participants with notice of new right to obtain an order of

nondisclosure.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Criminal Jurisprudence

 10° \square HB 16 Leach, Jeff(R) Relating to enforcement of the rights of a living child

born after an abortion.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - creating a third degree felony offense for a

physician who fails to provide the appropriate medical treatment as required to a child born alive after the abortion

JBD - If child born alive after attempted abortion, physicianpatient relationship created. Dr must attempt to save child.

Creates civil cause of action and state civil penalty.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

 \bigcirc HB 48 Gonzalez, Mary(D) Relating to a database of employers penalized for

failure to pay wages or convicted of certain offenses

involving wage theft.

Companions: HB 202 Gonzalez, Mary(D) (Refiled from 85R

Session)

SB 462 Rodriguez, Jose(D) (Refiled from 85R

Session)

D 🔲 HB 15

Remarks: WLJ - CS- they stay in the database for 3 years. WLJ -

Creates State database of employers who are allegedly

committing wage theft.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

D 🔲 HB 71

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■ HB 162

Relating to the use of certain lighting equipment on

escort flag vehicles.

Companions: SB 169 Nichols, Robert(R) (Identical)

2- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

Remarks: WLJ -CS- permits the use of flashing blue and amber lights

on escort flag vehicles

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Martinez, Armando(D) Relating to the creation of regional transit authorities.

Companions: SB 1721 Lucio, Eddie(D) (Identical)

4-10-19 S Committee action pending Senate

Transportation

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Provides for procurement rules and requires city

approval. aph - Allows for the creation of a Regional Transit Authority for Cameron, Willacy, and Hildalgo counties. Authority would have jurisdiction over buses, light rail,

commuter rail, and HOV lanes.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

White, James(R) Relating to the continuation of Medicaid benefits

provided to certain children adopted from the conservatorship of the Department of Family and

Protective Services.

Remarks: WLJ - Rewrite - require HHSC to ensure that each child who

resides in Texas and is eligible for certain assistance or services for children formerly in foster care remains or is enrolled in the STAR Health program unless or until the child is enrolled in another Medicaid managed care program

WLJ - Provides that continuation of Medicaid continues after

a child with a chronic health condition is adopted.

Last Action: 4-8-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Human Services

White, James(R) Relating to suspending the driver's licenses of certain

persons convicted of driving while intoxicated offenses.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - WLJ - Specifies that DMV can only suspend a

persons license for driving on suspended/denied license if the

revocation is due to a DWI conviction.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Passed (Vote: Y:144/N: 0)

■ HB 226 Krause, Matt(R)

Relating to the creation of a commission to review certain penal laws of this state and to make certain recommendations regarding those laws, to criminal offenses previously compiled in statutes.

Remarks: JBD - CS - drops Finance Code offenses from inclusion in this effort. JBD - Establishes a commission for review the Penal Code and other criminal statutes for necessary revision. Moves some non-Penal Code offenses to the Penal Code. Revises (including lowering offense levels) for some non-Penal Code offenses.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

🕕 🗌 HB 347 King, Phil(R) Relating to eliminating distinctions in the application of

consent annexation requirements.

Companions: SB 408 Birdwell, Brian(R) (Identical)

2-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Intergovernmental

Relations

SB 745 Schwertner, Charles(R) (Identical)

3- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Intergovernmental

Relations

SB 1432 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) (Identical)

3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Intergovernmental

Relations

Remarks: WLJ - CS 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.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

1 □ HB 359 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to the employment of certain peace officers, detention officers, county jailers, or firefighters who

are injured in the course and scope of duty.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Exempts county civil service WLJ - CLEAT Bill -

Prohibits discharging, suspending or firing a peace officer, detention officer, county jailer, or firefighter due to their inability to perform duties if the person was injured in the course and scope of duty before the person is certified as having reached maximum medical improvement. Waives sovereign immunity for a lawsuit for damages and

reinstatement under this provision. "unless the report of the designated doctor indicates the person is unable to return to

work." Caps the damages payable by an employer at

\$100,000.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

Shaheen, Matt(R) Relating to the maintenance of information entered into **I** B 435 a fee record. Remarks: JBD - HCS - Original required debt be 20 years old. Sub reduces to 15 years. JBD - Would permit courts to make findings that fees and costs in civil cases are uncollectible. Removes current population bracket to permit criminal courts in all counties to find fees and costs are uncollectible. The result would be that counties could remove this uncollectible debt from their financial statements. **Last Action:** 4-12-19 H Passed (Vote: Y:144/N: 0) **Ū** □ HB 446 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to the criminal consequences of engaging in certain conduct with respect to certain instruments designed, made, or adapted for use in striking a person with a fist. **Remarks:** WLJ - Cs - Includes a club. JBD - Drops "knuckles" from list of prohibited weapons. **Last Action:** 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate 🕕 🔲 HB 452 Shine, Hugh(R) Relating to the creation of truancy masters for Bell County. Companions: SB 2012 Buckingham, Dawn(R) (Identical) 3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice Remarks: CS - n/a JBD - Permits Bell County Commissioners Court to appoint truancy magistrates. Last Action: 4- 9-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar 🕕 🔲 HB 481 Kuempel, John(R) Relating to the storage and recovery of water in a portion of the Edwards Aquifer. Companions: SB 520 Campbell, Donna(R) (Identical) 4- 4-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar **Remarks:** WLJ - Allows a political subdivision that artificially recharges a portion of the Edwards aquifer to withdraw the same amount of water. Last Action: 4-12-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Natural Resources 🕕 🗌 HB 492 Shine, Hugh(R) Relating to a temporary local option exemption from ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of certain property damaged by a disaster. Companions: SB 1322 Taylor, Larry(R) (Identical) 3-19-19 S Committee action pending Senate

Property Tax

Remarks: WLJ - CS - includes a mobile home in the definition of real property. MGV - Creates option for taxing units to adopt a temporary exemption for a portion of appraised value of tangible personal property used for production of income or improvements to real property damaged by a disaster if the property is at least 15% damaged by the disaster, as determined by the chief appraiser. Establishes four level of damages correlating to an exemption between 15% for a slightly damaged property to 100% for a total loss.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

■ HB 510 Wilson, Terry(R)

Relating to enforcement of rules for certain county and municipal parks, playgrounds, historical museums, or historic or prehistoric sites.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows Williamson County or a city in Williamson County to adopt rules for parks, playgrounds, museums or historic sites. Creates a misdemeanor C for violating said rules. Allows a fee to be deposited in the GR account.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

🕕 🔲 HB 601 Price, Four(R)

Relating to procedures and reporting requirements regarding criminal defendants who are or may be persons with a mental illness or an intellectual disability.

Remarks: WLJ - FA - Requires the commissioners court pay for the interview if a magistrate orders the interview.

> WLJ - Cs - creates a trigger for a mh evaluation for one who refuses an interview. No interview required if the defendant had a mental health diagnosis within the last year.

WLJ - Combines HB 599 (86th) and HB 600 (86th).

Requires county judicial systems, when transferring individuals and their records to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, to include the written assessment the sheriff or municipal jailer conducted on the defendent's mental health or intellectual disability status. Modifies requirements around assessing defendants in county jail systems believed to have a mental illness to include interviewing the defendant and collecting additional information, producing a written report, Authorizes Texas Judicial Council to regulate written reports created by magistrate.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

🕕 🔲 HB 625 Neave, Victoria(D)

Relating to notice and request for a hearing regarding a vehicle that has been towed or booted.

Remarks: MGV - CS Removes deadline for a person to submit request

Increases from 14 days to 60 days a persons's right to submit a request for a court hearing regarding a vehicle that has

been towed or booted.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

4/12/2019

TELICON Relating to establishing a protective order registry and **I** B 629 Landgraf, Brooks(R) the duties of courts in regard to the registry. Companions: SB 325 Huffman, Joan(R) (Identical) 4-11-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Homeland Security and Public Safety Remarks: CS - technical changes and OCA's obligation subject to legislative appropriation. JBD - The Office of Court Administration is to create a protective order registry. Courts to provide copies of applications and protective orders no later than 12 hours after filing or issuance. **Last Action:** 4-15-19 H Set on the House Calendar **1** □ HB 639 Springer, Drew(R) Relating to the eligibility of land used as an ecological laboratory for appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes as qualified open-space land. Companions: SB 135 Nichols, Robert(R) (Identical) 2-26-19 S Committee action pending Senate Property Tax **Remarks:** aph - CS Applies beginning with tax year that begins January 2, 2021, adds land used as an ecological laboratory at a college or university to the definition of 'open space' to qualify for an ad valorem tax exemption. **Last Action:** 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Ways and Means 🚺 🗌 HB 720 Relating to appropriations of water for use in aguifer Larson, Lyle(R) storage and recovery projects. **Remarks:** WLJ - creates rules for reuse of the aquifer. aph - creates a water right permit amendment for aquifer storage recovery projects. Allows a permit holder to divert unused or excess flows into an ASR project. Allows TCEQ to adopt special conditions on a permit to account for the ASR project, but exempts the amendment from notice and hearing processes. **Last Action:** 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Natural Resources **I** □ HB 722 Relating to the development of brackish groundwater. Larson, Lyle(R)

Remarks: WLJ - CS aph - establishes a 'brackish groundwater

production zone' located along the aguifers adjacent to the Texas Gulf Coast. Establishes streamlined permits, notice, and hearings for districts located in the zone for permit applicants looking to develop water from the zone.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Natural Resources

Geren, Charlie(R) Relating to the sale by certain municipalities of leased

■ HB 837

land located near the shoreline of a lake.

Companions: SB 823 Nelson, Jane(R) (Identical)

3- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Intergovernmental

Relations

Remarks: WLJ - CS - 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.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

 \bigcirc HB 1030 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to certain sentencing procedures in a capital

case.

Remarks: CS - n/a JBD - Changes jury instructions in capital cases

making it easier to arrive at life instead of death.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc HB 1052 Larson, Lyle(R) Relating to the authority of the Texas Water

Development Board to use the state participation account of the water development fund to provide financial assistance for the development of certain

facilities.

Remarks: MGV - CS Expands use of account to include inter-regional

water projects.

Authorizes TX Water Development Board to use state participation account for the development of a desalination or

aquifer storage and recovery facility

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Natural Resources

 \bigcirc HB 1078 Oliverson, Tom(R) Relating to waiving certain driver's license and handgun

license fees for applicants who hold a certification in

cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Remarks: CS - waiver for CPR only if not required for job JBD - Waives

driver license and handgun license fees for persons certified

in CPR.

Last Action: 4-8-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Homeland Security and Public Safety

 \bigcirc HB $_{1168}$ Anchia, Rafael(D) Relating to the offense of possessing a weapon in a

secured area of an airport.

Companions: SB 123 West, Royce(D) (Identical)

2- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Remarks: CS - n/a JBD - Expands definition of the secured area of an

airport to include aircraft parking area.

Last Action: 4-8-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Homeland Security and Public Safety

 \bigcirc HB 1215 Collier, Nicole(D) Relating to the allocation of low income housing tax

credits.

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Makes permanent a sunset change to

LIHTC program scoring criteria that prohibits the agency from

using school quality as a scoring criterion

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Urban Affairs

HB 1232 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to the establishment and duties of the human

trafficking prevention coordinating council.

Companions: SB 72 Nelson, Jane(R) (Identical)

4- 1-19 H Referred to House Committee on

House State Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - CS - WLJ - creates the Statewide Human Trafficking

Coordinating Council whose members include all state agencies that receive an appropriation to address human trafficking. Directs the Council to develop a strategic plan and ensure cross-agency coordination in the effort to combat

human trafficking.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

 \bigcirc HB 1256 Phelan, Dade(R) Relating to access by certain persons to a first

responder's immunization history during a disaster.

Remarks: MGV - ENG Requires DSHS to establish a process to provide

employer with direct access.

Authorizes a first responder; during prep or response to disaster and w/ first responder's consent, the first responder's

employer or person acting as supervisor, access to

immunization history during disaster.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc HB 1273 Zedler, Bill(R) Relating to denial of payment for preauthorized health

care services.

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Prohibits denial of service from a health plan

if they provided prior authorization unless the physician

misrepresented the service.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Insurance

 \bigcirc HB 1399 Smith, Reggie (F)(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 1580 Phelan, Dade(R) (Identical)

3- 4-19 H Introduced and referred to

committee on House Homeland Security and

Public Safety

Remarks: CS - No longer all felonies, but list testable offenses if

significantly expanded.

JBD - Expands DNA testing to all persons arrested for any felony offense. Requires DPS to apply for federal grants to

create, store DNA records.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Homeland Security and Public Safety

■ HB 1465 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to a study on expanding recovery housing in

this state.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - WLJ - Requires HHSC to conduct a study on

recovery housing in the state and provide a report on policy changes and implementation of best practices by 12/1/2020

to the legislature.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Passed (Vote: Y:111/N: 31)

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)

3- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to

committee on Senate Finance

Remarks: WLJ - CS 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.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc 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)

2-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human

Services

Remarks: WLJ - CS 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.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc HB 1525 Burrows, Dustin(R) Relating to the administration and collection of sales

and use taxes applicable to sales involving marketplace

providers.

Companions: SB 890 Nelson, Jane(R) (Identical)

3-18-19 S Committee action pending Senate

Finance

Remarks: ENG Requires Comptroller, in coordination with affected

industry leaders, to study fiscal, other impacts of providing an exception for marketplace providers . aph - CS lege council version. - Wayfare bill to create a 'Marketplace Provider' definition in the Tax Code to create a nexus for internet sales. Treats Marketplace providers like retailers for the purpose of

collecting and remitting taxes.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc HB 1540 Thompson, Senfronia(D) Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas

Funeral Service Commission.

Companions: SB 620 Hall, Bob(R) (Identical)

3- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and

Commerce

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Funeral Commission Sunset

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

HB 1586 Goodwin, Vikki (F)(D) Relating to the administration of federal funds under

the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act.

Companions: SB 544 Watson, Kirk(D) (Identical)

4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Remarks: CS require the Texas Department of Housing and Community

Affairs to allocate up to 15 percent of set-aside for small cities and rural areas that do not qualify for funds under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Act) to participating jurisdictions

Cranston-Gonzalez National Act) to participating jurisdictions as necessary to meet the requirements of federal law; and provide to apply for set-aside funds is determined by federal law, and must be allocated by the department any applicable

spending plan required under federal law.

Companion to SB 544

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Urban Affairs

 \bigcirc HB $_{1651}$ Gonzalez, Mary(D) Relating to the care of pregnant women confined in

county jail.

Remarks: WLJ - Eng 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.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

→ □ HB 1711 Paddie, Chris(R)

Relating to the issuance of digital license plates.

Companions: SB 2076

Paxton, Angela (F)(R) (Identical)

4- 3-19 S Committee action pending Senate

Transportation

Remarks: WLJ CS- Authorizes a fee, stipulates placement of the plates.

WLJ - Allows the use of digital license plates on vehicles in lieu of physical license plates. Authorizes the company issuing the digital license plates to register vehicles and remit registration fees directly to the Texas Department of Motor

Vehicles.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Transportation

 \bigcirc HB 1755 Thompson, Ed(R) Relating to the titling, registration, and inspection of

assembled vehicles.

Companions: SB 1462 Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical)

3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

Remarks: WLJ - CS - changes the definition of "assembled vehicle."

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.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc HB 1842 Thompson, Senfronia(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: SB 812 Lucio, Eddie(D) (Identical)

4- 8-19 H Referred to House Committee on

House Ways and Means

Remarks: WLJ - substitute removes the requirement for a qualifying

disaster recovery program to be administered by the General

Land Office.

aph - companion for SB 812 provides a limit on the assessed value of a structure built to replace a structure that was damaged by wind or water in a declared disaster area. Structure has to be same size but can have upgraded exterior material to improve the construction standards.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Postponed on second reading until 10:00 a.m.,

Thursday,

April 18, 2019

🕕 🗌 HB 1848 Klick, Stephanie(R)

Relating to prevention of communicable diseases in

certain long-term care facilities.

Companions: HB 1360 Wu, Gene(D) (Identical)

2-27-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Human Services

Remarks: WLJ - Removes reporting requirement. WLJ - Requires long-

term care facilities to monitor for antibiotic resistant infections and report to the public health department any cases within 72 hours. Requires HHSC to establish a regional advisory committee comprised of physicians, director of nursing and

public health officials.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Human Services

 \bigcirc HB 1854 Dutton, Harold(D) Relating to loss of continuing, exclusive jurisdiction of a

court in certain suits affecting the parent-child

relationship.

Companions: SB 1373 Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical)

3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Remarks: CS - change only to savings provisions. JBD - Court that

issued order regarding parent-child relationship loses jurisdiction to modify the order once another court signs an

adoption order for the child.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

 $\mathbb{D} = \mathbb{D} = \mathbb{D} = \mathbb{D} = \mathbb{D}$ Relating to the creation of the governor's broadband

council.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Expands board composition to 17 members. VRS

- Creates a Broadband Council with members appointed by

the Governor to produce a report and make

recommendations for the feasibility and potential benefits of expanding broadband internet access to rural areas. Appoints 1 county official from a county with a population of 35,000 or

less.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

 \bigcirc Button, Angie Chen(R) Relating to the system by which an application for a

low income housing tax credit is scored.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - WLJ - Makes state representative letters of

support scoring criteria in the LIHTC program only for sites

located in unincorporated urban areas.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Urban Affairs

 \square HB 2027 Bowers, Rhetta (F)(D) Relating to information given to a child and the child's

parent, guardian, or custodian regarding the sealing of

juvenile records.

Remarks: MGV - CS Requires the state bar to create an online director

of attorneys for sealing juvenile records

Adds a list of local resources that may assist in sealing a child's record to the required information given to a child and

child's parent regarding sealing of juvenile records

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

Thompson, Senfronia(D) Relating to the amount credited in a state fiscal year to

the judicial fund to provide basic civil legal services.

Companions: SB 1674 Perry, Charles(R) (Identical)

4-11-19 S Committee action pending Senate

Finance

Remarks: CS - immediate effect if it gets enough votes JBD - Doubles

the amount for basic civil legal services from \$50 million /

biennium to \$50 million annually.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Appropriations

 \bigcirc HB 2287 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to the operations of certain housing

authorities.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Amends bracket to apply only to El Paso WLJ -

Border county housing authority.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Urban Affairs

 \bigcirc HB 2319 Parker, Tan(R) Relating to certain coordinated county transportation

authorities.

Companions: SB 1066 Nelson, Jane(R) (Identical)

4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on

House Transportation

Remarks: WLJ - CS aph - creates a coordinated county transportation

authority for Parker County.

Last Action: 4-8-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

 \bigcirc HB 2340 Dominguez, Alex (F)(D) Relating to emergency and disaster management,

response, and recovery.

Remarks: MGV - CS Replaces TX A&M with institutions of higher ed.

Establishes an unmanned aircraft study group under TDEM to study issues related to use of drones in responding to and recovering from disaster. Establishes information sharing working group to develop recommendations for improving how electronic information is stored by and shared among

state agencies including TX A&M

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

🕕 🗌 HB 2452 Goldman, Craig(R)

🕕 🗌 HB 2474 Guillen, Ryan(D)

Relating to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation complaint review process.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - grants an individual with whom TDLR so contracts immunity from liability and prohibits such an individual from being subject to a suit for damages for any act arising from the performance of the individual's duties in specified circumstances, except for an act of the individual involving fraud, conspiracy, or malice.

> provides that the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) may contract with a gualified individual to assist with the complaint review process.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted

Licensing and Administrative Procedures

Relating to the continuation of medical assistance for certain individuals.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - require the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to continue Medicaid eligibility for individuals enrolled in the Home and Community-based Services or Texas Home Living waiver programs or residing in an intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability or related condition, if a loss of Medicaid eligibility was due to a minor error that would otherwise result in Medicaid eligibility being denied. Also require HHSC to prepare and submit a report that provides certain data regarding the suspension or termination of medical assistance benefits that occurred during the preceding state fiscal year.

> VRS - Allows Medicaid recipients who make a minor technical or clerical error on their renewal application that would normally term their benefits to continue their benefits if they have an intellectual disability, reside in an ICF-IID facility and still meet the diagnostic criteria for coverage.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

🕕 🗌 HB 2504 Springer, Drew(R)

Relating to requiring candidates to pay a filing fee or submit a petition in lieu of a filing fee to appear on the ballot for the general election for state and county officers.

Remarks: CS - Leg Council draft. No change JBD - Currently candidates for office pay fees to appear on the primary ballot. Bill requires same fees be paid to appear on the general election ballot. Like primary, fee can be avoided by submitting petition signed by sufficient voters.

Last Action: 4-8-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Elections

Relating to civil works projects and other construction

projects of governmental entities.

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🕕 🗌 HB 2585 Leach, Jeff(R)

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Companions: SB 1503 Zaffirini, Judith(D) (Identical)

3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and

Commerce

Remarks: MGV - CS Implementation of prequalification process doesn't

affect the authority of govt entity to determine responsiveness of any subsequent bid or to reject any and all bids. Requires the govt entity to establish minimum qualification

requirements and a scoring process.

Authorizes a governmental entity to implement a prequalification process for a civil works projects under a competitive bidding method. Requires entity to advertise or publish notice of prequalification process along w/ request for qualifications 30 days before issuing an invitation for bids. Allows entity to directly solicit qualifications from potential offerors.

If entity considers a contract for a civil works project using competitive bidding, in implementing a prequalification process, prohibits ranking of potential offerors and requires determination if potential offerers meet minimum qualifications. Establishes allowable factors during the pregualification process.

Expands to all governmental entities, a requirement to publish a detailed methodology for scoring in an RFP for a civil works project.

Allows an offeror to request an explanation of evaluation and ranking, after the contract is awarded. By 30 days after the request is made, requires entity to deliver the offeror a written explanation.

Requires the entity to publicizes the basis of its selection, by the seventh business day after the contract is awarded.

Expands from 10 to 15 days in which an action for declaratory or injunctive relief can be filed

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

State Affairs

 \bigcirc HB 2771 Lozano, Jose(R) Relating to the authority of the Texas Commission on

Environmental Quality to issue permits for the discharge into water of this state of produced water,

hydrostatic test water.

Companions: SB 1585 Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical)

4-11-19 S Committee action pending Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Requires NPDES authority to discharge water.

aph - companion for SB 1585 provides the TCEQ with authority to permit water used in testing, gas plants, and energy production rather than leaving this authority in the

RRC.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

HB 2806 Morrison, Geanie(R) Relating to the creation of the Texas music incubator rebate program to provide for rebates of a portion of

the mixed beverage gross receipts taxes collected from certain music venues.

Companions: SB 1832 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) (Identical)

3-18-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and

Commerce

Remarks: MGV - CS Expands eligibility to qualified music festival

promoters. Funds program with 4% of mixed beverage gross

receipts tax that is unobligated and unexpended.

Creates TX Music Incubator Program, a mixed beverage tax rebate program, within TX Music Office, for qualifying music venues. Funds program with 4% of mixed beverage gross receipts tax collected by venues and paid into a rebate fund.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Culture, Recreation and Tourism

 \bigcirc HB 2837 Canales, Terry(D) Relating to the operation of and equipment for vehicles.

Remarks: WLJ - Exempts intrastate vehicles or those driven for a non

commercial purpose.

WLJ - provide that the Texas Commercial Driver's License Act does not apply to a covered farm vehicle, or a vehicle used for the purpose of participating in equine activities or attending livestock shows. Require drivers to yield the right of way or pull over when approached by a police vehicle using its lights (not just siren). Allow the operator of an emergency vehicle to park or stand the vehicle even when not responding to an emergency, pursuing a violator, directing traffic, or conducting an escort. Repeal the criminal penalty

for having a license plate flipper.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Transportation

☐ HB 2855 Landgraf, Brooks(R) Relating to a study by the Texas A&M Transportation

Institute on the impacts to state and local roads and bridges from increasing maximum weight limits for

certain vehicles transporting sand.

Remarks: aph - mandates a study by TAMU Transportation Institute on

the impacts to roads and bridges from the increased volume

of over weight trucks.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Transportation

 \blacksquare HB 2872 Burrows, Dustin(R) Relating to the collection, remittance, and

administration of certain taxes on motor vehicles rented through a marketplace rental provider.

rented through a marketplace rental provider.

Companions: SB 1578 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) (Identical)

3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to

committee on Senate Finance

Remarks: aph - CS aph - establishes taxing procedures for marketplace

rental providers of motor vehicles and allows providers to add

sales taxes, rental taxes, and pay gross receipts taxes for the

owner of the vehicle through the rental agreements.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Ways and Means

→ HB 2952 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to the establishment of an emergency radio

infrastructure revolving loan program.

Remarks: MGV - ENG Replaces loans with grants CS Replaces DPS

with Office of Gov.

Establishes loan program, administered by DPS, for

statewide emergency radio infrastructure.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

The HB 2955 Price, Four(R) Relating to oversight of specialty court programs.

Remarks: CS - OCA to notify CJD is a specialty court does not comply

with best practices as recommended by Specialty Court

Advisory Council.

MGV - Transfers oversight of specialty court programs to

OCA.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 \bigcirc HB 3022 Miller, Rick(R) Relating to emergency warning systems operated by

municipalities and counties.

Remarks: MGV - ENG non-substantive changes CS non-substantive

changes

Allows a person to participate in local emergency warning system when applying for a driver's license by consenting to disclosure of contact info to municipality or county, or both, in

which person resides

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Received in the Senate

 \bigcirc HB 3063 Smithee, John(R) Relating to the transfer of a retired county or municipal

law enforcement animal.

Companions: SB 2100 Birdwell, Brian(R) (Identical)

4- 8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Remarks: VRS - CS VRS - allows a county or municipality to enter into

a contract for transferring ownership of a law enforcement animal to a former law enforcement animal handler, their family or other suitable person. Requires that the head of the law enforcement agency to determine whether the candidate is able to humanely care for the animal. The contract must stipulate that the new owner must humanely care for the

animal and advise the commissioners court if they are no

longer able to care for the animal.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

 \bigcirc HB 3143 Murphy, Jim(R) Relating to the Property Redevelopment and Tax

Abatement Act.

Companions: SB 1838 West, Royce(D) (Identical)

3-18-19 S Introduced and referred to

committee on Senate Natural Resources and

Economic Develop

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Requires comm. court agreement. aph -

companion for SB 1838 Extension of Chapter 312 for economic development agreements. Adds reporting requirements and notice disclosures and extend the Act to

2029.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

Ways and Means

1 □ HB 3402 Phelan, Dade(R) Relating to changing the criminal offense of conspiracy

to circumvent the open meetings law.

Companions: SB 1640 Watson, Kirk(D) (Identical)

4-11-19 H Referred to House Committee on

House State Affairs

Remarks: CS - technical changes only JBD - Creates new "walking

quorum" offense. Requires member of government body knew that one or series of meetings with less than quorum would involve a quorum and constitute a deliberation if the communications had occurred at one time with all participants

in the individual meetings.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

State Affairs

 \bigcirc 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 - CS - Regardless of salary. 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.

Last Action: 4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

 \blacksquare HIR 83 Martinez, Armando(D) Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the

state or a municipality or county to donate certain property to the United States to promote border

crossing security.

Companions: SJR 66 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) (Identical)

3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Veteran Affairs and

Border Security

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1 □ SB 46

TELICON Remarks: WLJ - Clarifies an election is not required. WLJ -Constitutional amendment that permits a city/state/county to donate to the US government property and technology. Allows the governme ntal entity to finance the property or the construction of improvements via public securities, refund or refinance existing debt. Allows the gov entity to use public money to pay lease payments, service payments, user fees, deb services or other costs associated with a P3.. **Last Action:** 4-11-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House International Relations/Economic Dev Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to recovery of damages, attorney's fees, and costs related to frivolous claims and regulatory actions by state agencies. Companions: HB 3936 Hefner, Cole(R) (Identical) 3-21-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Remarks: JBD - SCS - still not applicable to counties. JBD - As filed applies only to state. Makes it easier to get award of attorney fees when challenging state agency action. Last Action: 4-10-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Relating to the offense of hazing. Zaffirini, Judith(D) Companions: HB 1482 Lozano, Jose(R) (Identical) 4- 2-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Higher Education JBD - SCS - no impact to counties WLJ - would expand Remarks: "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. **Last Action:** 4-12-19 H Received in the House Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the prohibition against sexual harassment in the workplace. Zaffirini, Judith(D) (Refiled from 85R Companions: SB 1140 Session) (Identical) HB 2279 Zwiener, Erin (F)(D) 3-18-19 H Committee action pending House International Relations/Economic Dev **Remarks:** MGV - CS No amendments of interest Expands unlawful employment practice to include sexual harassment of employees

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Relating to the authority of the comptroller regarding 🕕 🔲 SB 69. Nelson, Jane(R)

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the management of the general revenue fund and the economic stabilization fund.

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Remarks: WLJ - CS - threshold would be determined by the Comptroller as an amount equal to seven percent of the certified general revenue-related appropriations made for that biennium transfers to the SHF would be limited, and transfers to the ESF increased, as necessary to maintain the threshold amount in the ESF.

> WLJ - Abolishes the select ESF committee and sets 7% of available revenue as the sufficient balance. De-couples the sufficient balance with investment practices and allows 75% of the ESF balance to be invested. Directs revenue generated by ESF investments into a newly established Legacy Fund to address long-term needs as authorized by the Legislature. Reduces the maximum amount of revenue that can be held in the ESF by removing federal funds from the ESF calculation.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

🕕 🔲 SB 170 Perry, Charles(R)

Relating to reimbursement of rural hospitals participating in the Medicaid managed care program.

Remarks: WLJ - require the commission to update the costs every other vear. The substitute will also allow for three scenarios for reimbursements:1) HHSC directly reimburses; 2) MCOs reimburse; or 3) a combination of HHSC and MCOs.

> WLJ - Requires HHSC to adopt rules for the reimbursement methodology for rural hospitals that ensures individual hospitals can fully recover allowable uncompensated care costs.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

□ SB 205 Perry, Charles(R)

Relating to the use of information from the lists of noncitizens excused or disqualified from jury service.

Remarks: MGV - CS Adds nonresidents Adds the attorney general as a recipient of lists of noncitizens excused or disqualified from jury service from the SOS. Currently, the voter registrar of the counties considered appropriate by the SOS is a recipient.

> Adds the AG as an eligible recipient of lists of persons excused or disqualified b/c of citizenship sent by the clerk of the court.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

Lucio, Eddie(D) Relating to natural disaster housing recovery.

> Companions: SB 1673 Lucio, Eddie(D) (Refiled from 85R

Session)

Remarks: MGV - ENG No amendments of interest CS Limits eligible

entities authorized for developing a plan to county, city, or COG that has jurisdiction in a first tier coastal county.

1 □ SB 289

Removes "natural" from bill to expand coordination for longterm disaster recovery. To be certified, require local housing recovery plans to maintain a number of standards.

Designates the General Land Office (GLO) (or a Governordesignated state agency)to coordinate long-term natural disaster recovery and be the recipient of any federal, state funds appropriated for this purpose.

Authorizes local governments (county, city, or COG) to develop a local housing recovery plan for certification by Texas A&M, review by GLO, and approval by the Governor. Once approved, GLO would assist with pre-procurement - seeking prior approval from FEMA and HUD for immediate post-disaster implementation of local housing recovery plans. Validates the approved plan for four years.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Referred to House Committee on House County

Affairs

Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to the evaluation and reporting of investment

practices and performance of certain public retirement

systems.

Companions: HB 1887 Murphy, Jim(R) (Identical)

3-26-19 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

Remarks: CS - n/a JBD - requires statewide retirement systems to have

investment policy review.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

State Affairs

Telephone SB 346 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the consolidation and allocation of state

criminal court costs.

Remarks: CS - changes due to financial analysis. Clerks have

approved. JBD - OCA's court cost consolidation bill.

Last Action: 4-10-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

State Affairs

Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to court-ordered mental health services.

Companions: HB 3892 Price, Four(R) (Identical)

3-19-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil

Jurisprudence

Remarks: WLJ - ENG - Allow a court to release a defendant on bail

while charges are pending and enter an order transferring the defendant to the appropriate court for court-ordered outpatient mental health services. Require the Court of Criminal Appeals to ensure judicial training related to the problems of court-ordered mental health services is provided at least once a year. Specify conditions under which a judge may order temporary or extended outpatient mental health. Require facility administrators of a facility to which a patient is

🕕 🗆 SB 322

1 SB 362

committed for inpatient mental health services to assess the appropriateness of transferring the patient to outpatient mental health services no later than the 30th day after the patient is committed to the facility and make a recommendation to the court to modify the court order. Allow for a court to set a status conference with the patient, the patient's attorney, and the designated individual responsible for the patient's court-ordered outpatient mental health services. Require a private mental health facility that is contracting with a local mental health authority to provide or pay for psychoactive medication for a patient on furlough or discharge that is sufficient to last until the patient can see a physician, and requires the executive commissioner of HHSC to adopt rules regarding the quantity and manner of providing psychoactive medication.

WLJ - In Class B misdemeanors, an incompetent defendant that the court determines is not a threat may be released and transferred to civil mental health court for court-ordered outpatient mental health services. On motion of state, the court may dismiss the charges if defendant completes treatment. If they fail to comply the court may proceed to trial.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

Tonna(R)

Relating to the authority of a municipality to impose a fine or fee in certain areas in the municipality's

extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Remarks: ENG - still n/a JBD - Prohibits municipalities from imposing

fees or fines based on activity occurring on property in the ETJ that was disannexed from the municipality or on property that the municipality attempted, but failed, to annex through

landowner consent.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

 \bigcirc SB 446 West, Royce(D) Relating to requiring a public employer to give notice to

new employees of the ability of certain employees to participate in the Public Service Loan Forgiveness

Program.

Companions: HB 74 Hinojosa, Gina(D) (Identical)

4- 4-19 H Reported favorably from committee on House State Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Requires all public employers (including

counties) to provide to a new employee, within 30 days of employment, written notice of the ability to participate in the

Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Fallon, Pat (F)(R) Relating to the authority of general-law municipalities

to impose term limits on the members of their

governing bodies.

Remarks: Eng - no changes JBD - Permits general-law municipalities to

adopt term limits.

Last Action: 4-10-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Urban

Affairs

Ū □ SB 452

I SB 493 Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) Relating to the allocation of housing tax credits to developments within proximate geographical areas. Remarks: MGV - CS adds criteria allowing for more than one development in a single community Applies to counties w/ population of 1m+. Allows the board of Dept of Housing and Community Affairs to allocate housing tax credits to more than one development if developments are located in a disaster-declared area. Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar **D** □ SB 494 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to certain procedures applicable to meetings under the open meetings law and the disclosure of public information under the public information law in the event of an emergency, urgent public necessity, or catastrophic eve Companions: HB 3752 Walle, Armando(D) (Identical) 4- 1-19 H Committee action pending House State Affairs **Remarks:** CS - New provisions permit gov body to suspend compliance with Public Information Act for up to 7 days during catastrophe. Must notify AG. JBD - Shortens posting period for emergency meeting of governmental body from 2 hours to 1 hour, and gov body may deliberate and take action only on a matter directly related to responding to emergency or urgent public necessity. List of qualifying situations is expanded. New affirmative defense of meeting in members less than quorum if purpose was to respond to emergency. Permits a governmental body to suspend compliance with Public Information Act during a catastrophe. Notice to AG and public posting is required. Max time is 7 consecutive days, but may be extended. Last Action: 4- 9-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar **1** SB 511 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to the installation of unsafe motor vehicle tires; creating a criminal offense. **Remarks:** CS - Offense changed to civil penalty. JBD - Criminalizes installation of unsafe tires. Last Action: 4-11-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate Transportation D SB 531 Birdwell, Brian(R) Relating to sources of funding for the Texas emissions reduction plan. Companions: HB 1043 Blanco, Cesar(D) (Identical) 2-26-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Environmental Regulation Thompson, Ed(R)HB 1345 (Identical)

2-27-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Environmental

Regulation

Remarks: WLJ - CS - extends only 2 years. WLJ extends TERP fees

until the last day of the fiscal biennium which TCEQ publishes

in the register that the state is in attainment.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House

Environmental Regulation

 \bigcirc SB 542 Watson, Kirk(D) Relating to the allocation of housing tax credits to

developments within proximate geographical areas.

Companions: HB 2186 Rodriguez, Eddie(D) (Identical)

3- 6-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Urban Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Amends the housing de-concentration factor

to allow housing tax credits to allow an application that obtains prior approval from the governing body by the city or

the county if located in the ETJ.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

Kolkhorst, Lois(R) Relating to foods produced by a cottage food

production operation and a cottage food industry study.

Remarks: VRS - CS - Requires that preserved foods sold over the

internet use recipes and guidelines approved by the dept. Allows time and temperature controlled foods to be sold over the internet only if they are delivered directly by the distributor. Allows the sale of frozen/pickled fruits and

vegetables with safety statement.

VRS - Adds pickled vegetables, fermented foods, and canned goods that are acidified or low acid to the list of cottage food items (produced in the home for sale at a farmer's market, county fair, etc). If a cottage food production makes

fermented food or acidified/low acid canned food, then it must submit its recipe to the Health and Safety Department.

Creates a study of Texas's cottage food production industry and asks for a comparison of our regulations/competitiveness

to other states.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

Health and Human Services

 \bigcirc SB 604 Buckingham, Dawn(R) Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas

Department of Motor Vehicles and to the operations of certain other entities performing functions associated

with the department.

Companions: HB 1541 Paddie, Chris(R) (Identical)

3- 4-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

Remarks: MGV - ENG No amendments of interest. Continuing

legislation for the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) for an additional 12 years. Requires mandatory rebidding

1 SB 572

process for counties that contract for title and registration services by December 1, 2019; mandatory access to Webdealer for all dealers; and a requirement to adopt rules in conjunction with DMV for the suspension or denial of access to the registration and titling system (RTS) for county employees.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

 \bigcirc SB 616 Birdwell, Brian(R) Relating to the continuation and functions of the

Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas, the conditional transfer of the driver licensing program to

the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles.

Companions: HB 1530 Paddie, Chris(R) (Identical)

3- 4-19 H Introduced and referred to

committee on House Homeland Security and

Public Safety

Remarks: MGV - CS No amendments of interest. aph - DPS sunset bill

and transfers of driver's licensing to DMV.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 633 Kolkhorst, Lois(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: HB 1598 Lambert, Stan(R) (Identical)

3- 4-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Requires the use of existing funds. 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.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Public

Health

 \bigcirc SB 787 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to a reduced licensing fee for certain former

license holders.

Companions: HB 3624 Thompson, Senfronia(D) (Identical)

4-11-19 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted Licensing and Administrative

Procedures

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Provides for a discounted occupational

license for a new parent.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 891 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to the operation and administration of and

practice in courts in the judicial branch of state

government.

1 □ SB 904

Companions: HB 2120 Leach, Jeff(R) (Identical)

4-8-19 H Committee action pending House

Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

Remarks: MGV - New court bill

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 902 Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to public availability of election records.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - WLJ - Requires election records be available

within 15 days after an election at a fee of up to \$50. Election records include the total number of votes cast in each

precinct in person to be maintained in a downloadable format

on the SOS website.

Each roster is to be updated daily noting the number of voters in person and the number received by mail. Information must be provided for public inspection in person and on the website of the SOS.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to the use of governmental communications

systems to distribute political advertising.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Requires notice be sent by the AG, DA or county

attorney first.

WLJ - Clarifies that the prohibition on the use of government communications systems for political advertising covers government email. A person, political campaign, or advocacy group is prohibited from misusing government resources by causing political advertising to be delivered to an e-mail address issued by the state or a political subdivision. Each email sent in violation may result in a civil penalty of \$100.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

State Affairs

 \bigcirc SB 932 Hughes, Bryan(R) Relating to the regulation of certain direct sales of food

to consumers and a limitation on the fee amount for

certain permits.

Remarks: VRS - CS - Increases fine from \$50 to \$100. VRS - amends

current law relating to the regulation of certain direct sales of food to consumers and a limitation on the fee amount at \$50

per year.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

SB 943 Watson, Kirk(D) Relating to the disclosure of certain contracting

information under the public information law.

Companions: HB 2189 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) (Identical)

4- 4-19 H Voted favorably from committee as

Watson, Kirk(D)

substituted House State Affairs

Remarks: ENG - Vendors over \$1M not subject to act, but are required to provide contract information to governmental body when requested.

> JBD - Seeks to undo the Boeing v. Paxton decision that permits vendors to claim confidentiality in pricing and other business information. Limits the ability of vendors to protect information related to bids, offers and contracts.

Will make private entities that receive more than \$1 million from public sources subject to the Public Information Act with regard to contracts with governmental entities. Requires contract provisions setting out obligations of the private entity to keep and provide records.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House State

Affairs

Companions: HB 2191 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) (Identical)

Relating to the public information law.

4- 4-19 H Voted favorably from committee as

substituted House State Affairs

Remarks: ENG - HIPAA provision added. Revisions expand upon ways

PIA requests may be properly submitted.

JBD - Requires all officials and employees to forward public information on private devices to the PIA officer for the governmental body. Requires governmental bodies to make reasonable efforts to obtain such information if there is a request covering the information. Governments can designate specific mailing and email addresses for PIA requests.

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Received in the House

Nichols, Robert(R) Relating to the determination of the sufficient balance

> of the economic stabilization fund for purposes of allocating general revenue to that fund and the state

highway fund.

Remarks: aph - eliminates the sunset date for the Rainy Day Fund

Select Committee so it continues to provide information related to the minimum balance required in the fund.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

🕕 🗌 SB 970 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the review and approval of contingent fee

contracts for certain public agencies.

(Identical) Companions: HB 2003 Leach, Jeff(R)

4- 3-19 H Voted favorably from committee as

substituted House Judiciary and Civil

Jurisprudence

Remarks: CS - contingency contracts for debt collection are excluded,

as are contracts excluded by rule adopted by AG.

🕕 🗌 SB 944

1 SB 962

> JBD - Says any "public agency" - entity with authority to operate waste facilities - may not enter into a contingent fee contract with a lawyer unless the attorney general reviews

and approves the contract.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

Water and Rural Affairs

1 □ SB 991 Menendez, Jose(D) Relating to the establishment of a pilot program for the

issuance of digital identification.

Companions: HB 181 Canales, Terry(D) (Identical)

3-13-19 H Recommended for Local and

Consent Calendar

Remarks: VRS - Changes the pilot program to a study. VRS - Creates a

pilot program that would require DPS to develop/commission an app for both law enforcement and a pilot group to field test digital driver's licenses and personal IDs at no cost to the pilot group. These licenses can't be used as proof of identification. Requires DPS to submit a report to the Public Safety Commission and the Legislature with their results and

recommendations.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 1048 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) Relating to an independent school district holding

elections on the November uniform election date.

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Amends ISD elections to the November

uniform election date.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

■ SB 1190 Bettencourt, Paul(R) Relating to the residence address of a person for

purposes of a response to a confirmation notice sent by

the voter registrar.

Companions: HB 389 Murphy, Jim(R) (Refiled from 85R

Session)

(Identical) **HB 424** Murphy, Jim(R)

2-20-19 H Introduced and referred to

committee on House Elections

Remarks: MGV - CS Replaces person with voter. Allows voter enrolled

as full-time student at higher ed institution may use address

of PO Box on campus or in a dorm.

Allows the following standards to establish address for purposes of a response to a confirmation notice sent by voter registrar.: driver's license but not a commercial driver's license, personal ID card, license to carry a concealed handgun, an address corresponding to a residence at which person receives mail but not a commercial PO box, address person claims as a homestead, or vehicle registration. Authorizes a person whose residence has no address to establish residence by executing an affidavit stating the person's residence has no address. Exempts a member, spouse, or dependent of the armed forces; a full-time student; a person whose address is confidential; a federal or state

judge or spouse of a federal or state judge whose driver's license includes the street address of a courthouse; and a peace officer whose driver's license omits the officer's actual

residence address.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

1 ■ SB 1196 Miles, Borris(D) F

Relating to automatic employee participation in and administration of a deferred compensation plan provided by certain hospital districts.

Companions: HB 2477 Coleman, Garnet(D) (Identical)

4-12-19 H Passed on local calendar (Vote:

Y:143/N: 0)

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Adds in UHS WLJ - Hospital district 401k auto

enrollment 3% for hd that only have a 401k in place.

Permissive.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1209 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to

regulate certain activities.

Companions: HB 2014 Goldman, Craig(R) (Identical)

3- 5-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on Licensing and Administrative

Procedures

Remarks: MGV - CS Does not limit authority of a political subdivision to

adopt and enforce a zoning regulation, a restriction on the location where an occupation may be engaged in, or an ordinance that regulates a credit access business

Preempts local occupational licensing requirements. If an individual is required to possess an occupational licenses, prohibits a political subdivision from adopting any ordinance, order requiring an occupational license or meeting any other

requirement to engage in that occupation.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1210 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to the removal of certain alcoholic beverages

that become unfit for consumption after a natural

disaster.

Companions: HB 3271 Harless, Sam (F)(R) (Identical)

4- 2-19 H Committee action pending Licensing and Administrative Procedures

Remarks: WLJ CS- requires governmental disaster declaration. WLJ -

Permits the removal of beer that becomes unfit for

consumption after a disaster if agreed by the holder of the

brewers permit and the distributor.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1214 Schwertner, Charles(R) Relating to the sales and use tax exemption for certain

aircraft.

Companions: HB 2666 Wilson, Terry(R) (Identical)

3-11-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

Remarks: MGV - ENG strikes all eligible aircraft and limits to instrastate

travel

Authorizes sales tax exemption for an aircraft for use exclusively in connection with ag use and any use necessary to operate a business that performs predator control; wildlife or livestock capture, surveys; census counts of wildlife or livestock; animal/plant health inspection, crop dusting,

pollination, or seeding.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Ways

and Means

 \bigcirc SB 1229 Bettencourt, Paul(R) Relating to a county, city, or independent school district

posting election results on an Internet website.

Companions: HB 4545 Swanson, Valoree(R) (Identical)

4-8-19 H Committee action pending House

Elections

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Requires a governmental entity that holds or

provides elections services and maintains a website to post the results of each election, total number of votes cast and the total number of votes cast for each candidate or measure as soon as practicable. Must be within two clicks on the

website.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1257 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to the authority of the attorney general to

investigate and prosecute criminal offenses involving

the trafficking of persons.

Companions: HB 3979 Leach, Jeff(R) (Identical)

4- 8-19 H Committee action pending House

Criminal Jurisprudence

Remarks: CS - technical changes JBD - Without consent of local

prosecutors, AG may prosecute trafficking cases that occur in more than one county and any other offense committed in same criminal episode. Prosecutors to notify AG of all single-county trafficking cases and AG may prosecute if local

prosecutor decides to not bring a case.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1259 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to the prosecution of the offense of sexual

assault.

Companions: HB 3705 Klick, Stephanie(R) (Identical)

3-19-19 H Introduced and referred to

committee on House Criminal Jurisprudence

Remarks: JBD - State jail felony to use "human reproductive material"

from a donor not approved by the recipient.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

 \bigcirc SB 1281 Birdwell, Brian(R) Relating to assessments for water and energy

improvements in certain municipalities and counties.

Remarks: CS - Provision added at request of CUC to permit counties

with existing programs to opt in to state program. Filed bill

pulled them in automatically.

JBD - PACE bill.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

Natural Resources and Economic Develop

Felating to the availability under Medicaid of certain

drugs used to treat human immunodeficiency virus and

prevent acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Companions: HB 4055 Wu, Gene(D) (Identical)

4-8-19 H Voted favorably from committee as

substituted House Public Health

Remarks: WLJ - prohibits prior authorization under Medicaid for the

prescribing of an HIV drug.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1393 Seliger, Kel(R) Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax

revenue in certain municipalities.

Remarks: aph - allows Odessa to use hotel taxes to build a sports

facility on land owned by UTPB for use in the community.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 1414 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to fees regarding a residential tenant's failure

to timely pay rent.

Remarks: Relates to the calculation and reasonableness of late fees

that can be charged by a landlord to a tenant for the late

payment of rent

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

guardians for certain incapacitated persons, funding for guardianships by public guardians and related services,

and compensation deductions in certain guardianships.

Relating to the establishment by a county of public

Remarks: MGV - CS No amendments of interest. Allows a

commissioners court to establish an office of public guardian to provide guardianship services to incapacitated persons. Alternately, permits commissioners court to enter into an agreement with a person to act as a public guardian to provide guardianship services. Permits two or more counties to collectively enter into an agreement to create and fund an office. Expands supplemental guardianship fees to include

🕕 🗌 SB 1426 Zaffirini, Judith(D)

public guardianship and related services fee and these fees

go towards funding the office.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1568 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) Relating to organized election fraud activity.

Remarks: WLJ CS - AG can bring injunction relief must have

preponderance of evidence.

- Creates a civil penalty for engaging in organized election

fraud.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 1638 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to early voting procedures.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Permits signature verification to the envelope.

WLJ- Requires the reporting of the total number of early voting votes past in person and by mail to be included in

mandated reporting.

Last Action: 4- 9-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1719 Lucio, Eddie(D) Relating to the allocation of certain state hotel

occupancy tax revenue.

Companions: HB 2647 Morrison, Geanie(R) (Identical)

4-10-19 H Committee action pending House

Ways and Means

Remarks: MGV - CS Creates an expiration date of September 1, 2031.

Requires 2% state hotel occupancy tax received from hotels located in coastal counties to be allocated to the coastal erosion response account. Applies to any adjacent to the Gulf

of Mexico or Corpus Christi Bay

Last Action: 4-11-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 1751 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to the creation and operations of a health care

provider participation program by the El Paso County

Hospital District.

Companions: HB 3640 Moody, Joe(D) (Identical)

3-21-19 H Committee action pending House

County Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Governors language added. WLJ - Creates the El

Paso County LPPF

Last Action: 4-11-19 H Referred to House Committee on House County

Affairs

 \bigcirc SB 1774 Bettencourt, Paul(R) Relating to the maintenance of information entered into

a fee record.

Remarks: CS - Sub does same thing but written in simpler bill form.

JBD - Removes the Collin County-only bracket so that all counties can declare old court costs in criminal matters uncollectable and pull them from financial statements.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 1792 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the maintenance of information entered into

a fee record.

Remarks: CS - No changes JBD - Permits all counties to write off

uncollectable court costs in both civil and criminal cases.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB $_{1801}$ Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to orders of nondisclosure for certain victims

of trafficking of persons or compelling prostitution.

Remarks: JBD - SCS - changes provide further process for

consolidating petitions for orders of nondisclosure when offenses occurred in multiple counties. No issues.

JBD - watch

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 1827 Menendez, Jose(D) Relating to the emergency administration of an

epinephrine auto-injector by peace officers.

Companions: HB 2413 Lambert, Stan(R) (Identical)

3- 6-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health

Remarks: MGV - ENG - Allows a physician to prescribe epinephrine in

the name of a law enforcement agency. Immunity still intact.

Authorizes a peace officer to possess, administer an epinephrine auto-injector to a person in an emergency

situation. Does not waive govt immunity

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Public

Health

 \bigcirc SB 1850 Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to the storage, transportation, processing, and

disposal of scrap tires.

Companions: HB 3854 Walle, Armando(D) (Identical)

4- 4-19 H Voted favorably from committee on

House Environmental Regulation

Remarks: WLJ - CS- Allows for financial assurance. WLJ - TCEQ shall

require financial assurance for issuing a registration for

transporting, storage, or processing scrap tires.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

West, Royce(D) Relating to abolishing a dissolution committee

SB 2018

1 SB 2100

established to abolish certain county boards of education or boards of county school trustees and appointing commissioners courts to assume the duties of the dissolution committee.

or the dissolution commit

Companions: HB 3387 Anchia, Rafael(D) (Identical)

4-16-19 H Meeting set for 8:00 A.M., E2.036,

House Public Education

Remarks: MGV - Requires county to collect, use any delinquent taxes

for payment of debt. aph - abolishes the Dallas Co board of

county schools and transfers debts to the Dallas Co

Commissioners Court.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 2022 Miles, Borris(D) Relating to the creation and operations of health care

provider participation programs in Harris County

Hospital District.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Governors language added. WLJ - Creates the

Harris County LPPF.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 2047 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to pro bono legal services for veterans and

service members and an exemption from the state bar membership fee for attorneys providing those services.

Companions: HB 3359 Miller, Rick(R) (Identical)

4- 1-19 H Committee action pending House

Defense and Veteran's Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - Allows the Veterans commission to set up a grant

program to help veterans with legal bills. Creates a workgroup to look at pro bono legal services for veterans.

WLJ - Provides a member of the state bar is not required to pay annual dues if they provide a set number of pro bono legal services to veterans, as adopted by the Supreme Court.

Last Action: 4- 9-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Birdwell, Brian(R) Relating to the transfer of a retired county or municipal

law enforcement animal.

Companions: HB 3063 Smithee, John(R) (Identical)

4-16-19 H Set on the House Calendar

Remarks: VRS - adds state agencies into the entities that can enter into

a contract for transferring the ownership of a law enforcement animal. Defines what is meant by law enforcement agency.

VRS - allows a county or municipality to enter into a contract for transferring ownership of a law enforcement animal to a former law enforcement animal handler, their family or other

suitable person. Requires that the head of the law

enforcement agency to determine whether the candidate is able to humanely care for the animal. The contract must stipulate that the new owner must humanely care for the

> animal and advise the commissioners court if they are no longer able to care for the animal.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

🕕 🔲 SB 2104 Zaffirini, Judith(D)

Relating to the creation of the Texas Veterans County Service Officer Task Force.

Companions: HB 3412 Miller, Rick(R) (Identical)

4- 1-19 H Committee action pending House

Defense and Veteran's Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - Adds county officials to the task force. WLJ - Creates a

Texas Veterans County Service Officer task force that consists of House Defense chair, Senate Veterans affair chair, Texas Veterans Commission, Officers from various regions, Texas Coalition of Veterans Organizations to review the role and duties of officers in each county, identify areas in need of officers, determine state assistance needed and

submit a report by 2020.

Last Action: 4- 9-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

🕕 🗌 SB 2127 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to a border volunteer training program for

peace officers employed by local law enforcement

agencies.

Remarks: CS - Adds provision to give officers education credit for

participating in the training program.

JBD - DPS and local law enforcement can create voluntary training program regarding work in border region. An officer that completes training may go to work with DPS in securing

the border. Doesn't say what local law enforcement responsibilities are with regard to officer's position.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 \square SB 2128 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the recording by a county clerk of certain

documents concerning real or personal property.

Companions: HB 3060 Parker, Tan(R) (Identical)

> 3-13-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House County Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - CS - NS WLJ - Requires the county clerk record index

paper documents entry include names of grantors and grantees and provides that the paper document is a copy of an electronic record. A county clerk must record all record copies of an electronic record otherwise eligible under law to be recorded in real property records if it contains an electronic signature, or sigatures that are acknowledged or

otherwise proved by law.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

🕕 🗌 SB 2137 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue by certain municipalities.

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Companions: HB 4203 Canales, Terry(D) (Identical)

4-10-19 H Committee action pending House

Ways and Means

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Ways

and Means

 \bigcirc SB 2232 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to a study of the elimination of the effects of

renewable energy subsidies.

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - PUC must identify and study the effects

renewable energy subsidies has on pricing.

Last Action: 4-9-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate

Business and Commerce

 \bigcirc SB 2342 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the jurisdiction of, and practices and

procedures in civil cases before, justice courts, county

courts, statutory county courts, and district courts.

Companions: HB 3336 Leach, Jeff(R) (Identical)

4- 3-19 H Voted favorably from committee as

substituted House Judiciary and Civil

Jurisprudence

Remarks: CS - Drops pilot program. JBD - Increases civil jurisdiction of

statutory county courts to \$250,000. Supreme Court may establish pilot programs in up to 10 counties, subject to state funding, to allow trial courts to experiment with procedures to

reduce time to disposition and reduce costs.

Last Action: 4-8-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 2353 Hall, Bob(R) Relating to the creation of a fund to assist local

governments with the acquisition of voting system

equipment.

Companions: HB 362 Israel, Celia(D) (Identical)

4-8-19 H Voted favorably from committee as

substituted House Elections

Remarks: WLJ - Only if funded by appropriations. WLJ - Creates a GR

funded grant for counties/cities to apply to replace voting system equipment for up to 50% of the actual cost. Eligibility criteria shall include number of voters, the age and condition of current equipment, need in both rural and urban areas and whether the governing body has adopted a long term plan to

address needs.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 \bigcirc SB 2390 Powell, Beverly (F)(D) Relating to the confidentiality of certain personal

information of a person protected by a magistrate's

order for emergency protection.

Companions: HB 3637 Guillen, Ryan(D) (Identical)

4- 8-19 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

Remarks: CS - provision regarding general geographic area has been

> dropped. WLJ - allows a court issuing emergency protection orders to keep the address of the person protected by the order confidential. A magistrate issuing orders to a defendant who is charged with an offense involving family violence may prohibit the defendant from going in a general geographic area that is of a sufficient size that it would be difficult for the defendant to locate the victim.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

Taylor, Larry(R)

Relating to the mandatory removal of a public school student from the classroom following certain conduct.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - NS WLJ - adds harassment to the list of offenses that would permit a school or teacher to remove a student from a classroom and placed into disciplinary alternative education programs.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

 \bigcirc SB 2448 Perry, Charles(R) Relating to the creation and operations of a health care

provider participation program by the Lubbock County

Hospital District.

Companions: HB 4648 Burrows, Dustin(R) (Identical)

4- 4-19 H Committee action pending House

County Affairs

Remarks: WLJ - CS - Lubbock County LPPF

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Tolkhorst, Lois(R) Relating to the establishment of the Medicaid Waiver

Renewal Legislative Oversight Committee.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - NS WLJ - Creates a 1115 Medicaid waiver

renewal legislative oversight committee to advise HHSC on

negotiations with CMS.

Last Action: 4-11-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 \bigcirc SB 2485 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the regulation by a political subdivision of

certain employment benefits.

Remarks: WLJ - CS - WLJ - Prohibits local rules of employment leave

and health, disability, retirement, profit-sharing, death, group, accidental death, and dismemberment benefits take place at

the state level.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

Teighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the regulation by a political subdivision of

terms of employment relating to scheduling practices.

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Prohibits a political subdivision of this state

from adopting or enforcing any ordinance, order, rule,

> regulation, or policy regulating a private employer's terms of employment relating to scheduling practices.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

🕕 🗌 SB 2487 Creighton, Brandon(R)

Relating to the regulation by a political subdivision of

employment leave policies.

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Prohibits a political subdivision of this state from adopting or enforcing any ordinance, order, rule, regulation, or policy regulating a private employer's terms of employment relating to any form of employment leave, including paid days off from work for holidays, sick leave,

vacation, and personal necessity.

Last Action: 4-12-19 H Received in the House

 \blacksquare SB 2488 Creighton, Brandon(R)

Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to adopt or enforce certain regulations regarding whether a private employer may obtain or consider an employment applicant's or employee's criminal history

record informati

Remarks: WLJ - CS WLJ - Prohibits a political subdivision from

adopting or enforcing any ordinance, order, rule, regulation, or policy that prohibits, limits, or otherwise regulates a private employer's ability to request, consider, or take employment action on the criminal history record information of an

applicant or employee.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

🕡 🗌 SJR 32 Birdwell, Brian(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment to allow the transfer of a dog used for county law enforcement purposes to the dog's handler on the dog's retirement.

Remarks: JBD - Permits counties to give retired law enforcement dogs

to their handlers at no cost to handlers.

Last Action: 4-15-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

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