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**HB 24**    **Romero, Ramon(D)**    Relating to increasing criminal penalties for certain family violence offenses committed in the presence of a child.

**Remarks:** CS - nonsubstantive changes JBD - state jail felony if offense committed in front of minor witness.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

**HB 147**    **Moody, Joe(D)**    Relating to access to certain law enforcement, corrections, and prosecutorial records under the public information law.

**Companions:** **HB 3234**    Moody, Joe(D)    (Refiled from 85R Session)

**Remarks:** CS - clarifies that allegations of misconduct against peace officers are handled differently

WLJ - Provides that a governmental body cannot use the law enforcement/prosecutorial information exception of the Public Information Act on information, internal records, or notations that deal with the detection, investigation, or prosecution of crime only in relation to an investigation that did not result in conviction or deferred adjudication if each person who is subject of the information, record, or notation is deceased or consents to the release of the information, record, or notation; or the information, record, or notation relates to a peace officer who is the subject of a criminal or internal investigation arising out of the peace officer's involvement in the detection, investigation, or prosecution of a crime.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House State Affairs

**HB 300**    **Murr, Andrew(R)**    Relating to inquest summary reports certified by justices of the peace.

**Remarks:** CS - Repeals requirement that evidence gathered during inquest be delivered to district clerk.

WLJ - Repeals the requirement that the justice of the peace shall certify a copy of the inquest summary report and deliver the certified copy in a sealed envelope to the clerk of the district court. Also repeals the requirement that the clerk of

the district court shall retain the summary report subject to an order by the district court.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  HB 335 Dutton, Harold(D) Relating to the penalties for possession of one ounce or less of marihuana and eligibility for placement on community supervision or on deferred adjudication community supervision for that offense.

**Companions:** HB 82 Dutton, Harold(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

**Remarks:** CS - provision regarding probation eligibility has been dropped WLJ-Makes possession of an ounce or less of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoid a class C misdemeanor (unless the person has three recent previous convictions). - Requires judge in deferring a drug case for these substances to require successful completion of a drug abuse awareness and education program.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

  HB 363 Johnson, Jarvis(D) Relating to the creation of the office of independent oversight ombudsman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

**Companions:** SB 188 Miles, Borris(D) (Identical)  
2- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice

**Remarks:** CS - still no impact on counties GV - Creates a state agency, Office of Independent Oversight Ombudsman for Tx Dept of Criminal Justice for monitoring the conditions of confinement and treatment of offenders in state prisons and investigating, evaluating, and securing the rights of offenders. Authorizes the Governor to appoint with consent of the Senate.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Corrections

  HB 374 Allen, Alma(D)  
Miles, Borris(D) Relating to a community supervision and corrections department policy regarding supervision officer meetings and visits.

**Companions:** SB 1248 Miles, Borris(D) (Identical)  
4- 8-19 S Reported favorably from committee on Senate Criminal Justice

**Remarks:** SCS - no changes JBD - CS - Adds new provision permitting probation departments to meet with probationers by videoconference.

WLJ - Requires probation departments to adopt policies which take into consideration a defendants work, treatment and community service schedule while scheduling meetings.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

  HB 390 Blanco, Cesar(D) Relating to defense economic readjustment zones.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG MGV - CS Establishes that city or county encompassing any part of federally owned or operated military installation that is functioning on May 19, 1997.

Allows governing body of a county to apply to TX Economic Development Bank for designation as a defense readjustment project any qualified project located within a municipality. An interlocal agreement between county and municipality must be entered before application is made. Agreement must state which governing body will have administration authority.

Changes criteria for readjustment zone designation to automatically designating a municipality or county as a readjustment zone if it is a defense-dependent community. Allows a municipality or county with a designated readjustment zone to also be included in an enterprise zone. Redefines defense-dependent community to municipality or county containing or has the power of a defense based development authority.

Changes period of designation as indefinite as long as qualifications are met. Limits number of defense readjustment projects in each zone. Changes job allocation numbers and amount of capital investment made to determine business eligibility for tax refunds.

Removes ability of governing body of a municipality or county with a readjustment zone from prioritizing the area for local incentives (community development block grant money, industrial revenue bonds, job training funds) and adopting a plan for police protection in the zone.

Changes tax refund eligibility to all taxable items purchased for use by qualified business site.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 465 White, James(R)

Relating to the administrative, civil, and criminal consequences, including fines, fees, and costs, imposed on persons arrested for, charged with, or convicted of certain criminal offenses.

**Remarks:** CS - minor cleanup only JBD - New provision requires court to make determination of ability to pay fines and fees in criminal case based only on the defendant's present ability to pay unless otherwise expressly stated in another provision. Will permit defendant's to notify court of "difficulty paying" fines and fees, and that triggers an obligation for the court to hold a hearing to determine if requiring payment imposes an "undue hardship" on the defendant. Courts may require alternatives to payments (such as community service), or may waive fines and fees.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

  HB 516 Springer, Drew(R)

Relating to the liability of a person who allows handguns to be carried on property owned, leased, or managed by the person.

**Remarks:** CS - Leg council draft WLJ - Limits liability of property owners who allow firearms on the property.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

  **HB 625** Neave, Victoria(D) Relating to notice and request for a hearing regarding a vehicle that has been towed or booted.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Non-substantive amendment 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:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  **HB 634** Buckley, Brad (F)(R) Relating to the applicability of the law governing the provision of state aid to certain local governments disproportionately affected by the granting of ad valorem tax relief to disabled veterans.

**Companions:** [SB 283](#) Buckingham, Dawn(R) (Identical) 2- 7-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

**Remarks:** MGV - CS No amendments of interest. WLJ - revise which local governments may apply for state aid for being disproportionately affected by disabled veterans' exemptions and the resulting revenue loss. Added to the local governments are the cities in a county in which a U.S. military installation is wholly or partly located and not just those that are adjacent to it and to a county that is adjacent to a county with a military base.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Appropriations

  **HB 701** Lucio III, Eddie(D) Relating to the regulation of call centers.

**Companions:** [SB 1881](#) Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) (Identical) 3-18-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Requires that all call centers receiving a public subsidy that have not terminated/relocated any customer service positions be added to a separate list, and that they be removed from that list if they terminate/relocate an employee. This list will be available to the public and distributed to the BBB and state agencies biannually. Requires all state agency call centers to be based in Texas.

WLJ - Creates a list of sales call centers that have relocated or terminate at least 50 employees. Prohibits a political subdivision from offering a tax abatement to anyone on this list without proving the community would be harmed without providing the incentive. Requires a preference to a vendor not on the list in awarding contracts from political subdivisions.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Business and Industry

  **HB 803** **Patterson, Jared (F)(R)** Relating to financial reporting requirements for toll projects.

**Companions:** **SB 1733** Paxton, Angela (F)(R) (Identical)  
3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Specifies that by the 180th day after the last fiscal year, requires entity to publish financial data on entity's website. aph - adds reporting requirements for an entity operating a toll project to report financial each year and post those revenues, expenses, and debt on the entity's website.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Transportation

  **HB 810** **Israel, Celia(D)** Relating to civil liability for removing certain animals from a motor vehicle.

**Companions:** **SB 250** Zaffirini, Judith(D) (Identical)  
3-14-19 S Committee action pending Senate State Affairs

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Requires a person or law enforcement officer to put a note on the vehicle with their contact information, where the animal taken from the vehicle has been taken, and whether the individual is a law enforcement officer or has informed law enforcement. Stipulates that an individual is not immune from civil liability if they contacted law enforcement and were advised not to enter the vehicle.

WLJ - Creates immunity for a person removing a domestic animal from a vehicle, if the person determines the vehicle is locked and the animal cant exit without assistance.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

  **HB 962** **Miller, Rick(R)** Relating to the operation of a motor vehicle passing a pedestrian or a person operating a bicycle.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Creates affirmative defense for driver if the pedestrian or bicyclist was violating a traffic law aph - creates a buffer zone for vehicles passing bicyclists operating on a highway or street. Zone is 3 feet for a passenger and 6 ft for a commercial vehicle.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Transportation

  **HB 994** **Guillen, Ryan(D)** Relating to the procedures for protests and appeals of certain ad valorem tax determinations.

**Companions:** **SB 211** Flores, Pete(R) (Identical)  
4-16-19 S Committee action pending Senate Property Tax

**Remarks:** MGV ENG - No amendments of concern CS - No amendments of concern. aph - Bracketed bill for Medina Co. Allows for an appeal of an ARB finding to a JP court in the county if the amount of the finding in question is less than \$5,000

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

- T**  **HB 1109** Swanson, Valoree(R) Relating to waiving certain annual training requirements for foster parents.
- Remarks:** MGV - CS Requires DFPS to grant each child-placing agency and each single source continuum contractor the authority to waive preservice training, annual training that aren't directly related to care of child for foster parents, prospective adoptive parent, or foster homes w/ no citations.
- MGV - Requires DFPS to waive any annual training requirement for foster parents that is not directly for the foster child.
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Human Services
- T**  **HB 1110** Davis, Sarah(R) Relating to the Medicaid eligibility of certain women after a pregnancy.
- Remarks:** WLJ - CS - adds in a woman who is eligible for Medicaid and experiences a miscarriage as a beneficiary of the bill's provisions.
- WLJ -requires Medicaid cover a woman up to 12months after delivery of a baby
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Human Services
- T**  **HB 1116** Wray, John(R) Relating to the limitations periods for certain suits against real estate appraisers and appraisal firms.
- Companions:** **SB 939** Creighton, Brandon(R) (Identical)  
4-24-19 S Recommended for  
Local/Uncontested Calendar
- Remarks:** MGV - CS Exempts suits based on fraud or breach of contract aph - adds a statue of limitations on a suit brought against an appraiser for damages arising from an appraisal of a property to 2 years of when a person should have know or 5 total years.
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
- T**  **HB 1216** Thompson, Senfronia(D) Relating to orders of nondisclosure for certain victims of trafficking of persons or compelling prostitution.
- Remarks:** CS - changes do not impact counties JBD - Changes qualifications and procedures related to orders of nondisclosure because defendant was victim of trafficking or abuse.
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence
- T**  **HB 1285** Smithee, John(R) Relating to exemptions to reporting and list requirements for certain attorneys ad litem, guardians ad litem, mediators, and guardians.

**Companions:** SB 41 Zaffirini, Judith(D) (Identical)  
4-16-19 H Voted favorably from committee  
on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

**Remarks:** CS - Permits court to appoint attorney ad litem that is not at top of rotation if emergency has been declared in county within 30 days of date of appointment.

JBD - The annual report submitted by clerks regarding ad litem appointments would not have to include unpaid appointments.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

  HB 1294 Davis, Sarah(R)

Relating to requiring certain persons to receive emergency management training.

**Remarks:** MGV - Amended to paid volunteer, a person performing duties at an executive or high-ranking management level. Still includes officer, employee.

MGV - Expands current requirement of elected law enforcement, county judge, or appointed public officer to an officer, employee, or volunteer of the state or a political subdivision who is a supervisor and whose position includes emergency management responsibilities to receive emergency management training

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House County Affairs

  HB 1296 Davis, Sarah(R)

Relating to the creation of a disaster case management system by the General Land Office.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Permits GLO to coordinate with federal, state, local agencies, nongovt entities for use of system to gather data from and share information w/ and b/w those entities.

MGV - Creates an electronic disaster case management system by the General Land Office.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Homeland Security and Public Safety

  HB 1319 Moody, Joe(D)

Relating to a procedure in a justice or municipal court for rendering certain judgments and sentences.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS clarifies the court accepts the defendant's payment in full for the amount owed and the court creates a record of acceptance of the defendant's plea and payment.

WLJ -would consider a judgement and sentence rendered in a city or jp court if the defendant enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere and pays the amount of the fine and costs owed to the state; finds the defendant guilty and accepts the defendant's payment as payment in full for the amount owed; and the court create a record of the acceptance of the court's findings and the defendant's plea and payment.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

  HB 1495 Toth, Steve(R)

Relating to authorization for the creation of a county ethics commission in certain counties.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Non-substantive changes 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)

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House County Affairs

  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.

**Companions:** SB 2419 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) (Identical)  
3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS - The substitute revises the required components of the trauma-informed care training to be provided to the following: DFPS employees who interact with or make decisions on behalf of a child in DFPS conservatorship; DFPS employees who serve as a regional director or mid-level supervisor; and DFPS employees who serve as a caseworker or investigator.

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.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Human Services

  HB 1625 Bell, Keith (F)(R)

Relating to the creation of the criminal offense of false report of misconduct by emergency responders.

**Remarks:** FA - Provides a person can only be charged with one charge per instance.

CS - Filed bill covered allegations of administrative violations. Sub applies only to allegations of Texas penal laws.

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.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 1681 Ashby, Trent(R)

Relating to peer assistance programs for employees of local law enforcement agencies.

**Remarks:** JBD - CS - Permits law enforcement agencies to create peer

assistance programs to aid any employee affected by difficulty or tragedy. Communications are confidential.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Homeland Security and Public Safety

  HB 1711 Paddie, Chris(R)  
Paxton, Angela (F)(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:** MGV ENG - No amendments of interest. 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:** 5- 1-19 S Meeting set for 8:00 A.M., E1.016, Senate Transportation

  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 - CS - no substantive changes. 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.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House County Affairs

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

**Remarks:** CS - nonsubstantive change WLJ - prohibits claims in arbitration if the statute of limitations ran on the claim.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

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

**Remarks:** WLJ - Removes section on TCEQ research funding. 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.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Environmental Regulation

  [HB 1771](#) [Thierry, Shawn\(D\)](#)

Relating to a prohibition on prosecuting or referring to juvenile court a person younger than 18 years of age for certain conduct violating the offense of prostitution and to the provision of services to those persons.

**Remarks:** CS - arresting officers have to try to find parent or another person entitled to take possession of the child. If not available, then other requirements kick in.

WLJ - Requires a court refer a minor who is arrested for prostitution or using the services of a prostitute to DFPS to receive at risk services and prohibits criminal prosecution or being sent to TJJD.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Juvenile Justice and Family Issues

  [HB 1812](#) [Murr, Andrew\(R\)](#)

Relating to the provision of funding for indigent defense services.

**Remarks:** CS - grants may also be made to nonprofit that provides indigent defense services in a county.

JBD - Permits TIDC to issue indigent defense grants directly to an entity that assists counties in improvidefense. Would allow grants directly to CUC for TechShare.Indigent Defense.  
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**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

  [HB 1937](#) [Goldman, Craig\(R\)](#)

Relating to a franchise or insurance tax credit for low-income housing developments.

**Companions:** [SB 1590](#) [Whitmire, John\(D\)](#) (Identical)  
3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

**Remarks:** WLJ - FA - Exempts Harris County. WLJ - Creates a state low-income housing tax credit program based on franchise and insurance tax credits.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

  [HB 1999](#) [Leach, Jeff\(R\)](#)

Relating to certain construction liability claims concerning public buildings and public works.

**Remarks:** HFA - No right to correct if contract terminated for cause or if contractor cannot provide payment and performance bonds.

CS - inspection no longer in the bill but owner must give contractor written report of alleged defects and contractor still has right to correct the defect.

JBD - Requires governmental entity alleging a construction defect to get an inspection of the project and give the alleged responsible contractor, architect, or engineer the opportunity to correct the defect to be eligible to bring a lawsuit. For the inspection, all responsible parties must be notified in advance. How would county know who might be responsible before the inspection is conducted?

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  [HB 2012](#) [Lucio III, Eddie\(D\)](#) Relating to conditions of community supervision for defendants convicted of certain criminal offenses involving animals.

**Companions:** [SB 804](#) Rodriguez, Jose(D) (Identical)  
3- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice

**Remarks:** CS - leg council draft WLJ -Expands animal abuse offenses in which a judge can mandate relinquishing custody of an animal.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  [HB 2075](#) [Neave, Victoria\(D\)](#) Relating to the form of a candidate's name on a ballot.

**Companions:** [HB 2699](#) Neave, Victoria (F)(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS - Clarifies a person can use any surname legally acquired name on a ballot.

WLJ - Requires a candidates married name be included on a ballot.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  [HB 2256](#) [Sanford, Scott\(R\)](#) Relating to procedures for tax auditing and determining amounts of overpayments of gas production taxes.

**Companions:** [SB 2079](#) Perry, Charles(R) (Identical)  
3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Requires Comptroller approves the sampling method to determine amount of overpayment. aph - allows a deduction of 'sampling market costs' from severance taxes to deduct certain costs from tax due and a method to determine the amount of overpayments.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  [HB 2260](#) [King, Tracy\(D\)](#) Relating to the authority of a magistrate to issue a search warrant to collect a blood specimen from a person arrested for certain intoxication offenses.

**Companions:** [HB 2458](#) Price, Four(R) (Refiled from 85R Session)

**Remarks:** CS - Narrowed to permit JP to issue blood-draw warrant if an attorney magistrate is unavailable and exigent circumstances exist.

JBD - Permits any magistrate - not just attorney magistrates - to issue blood-draw search warrants in DWI cases.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

 [Moody, Joe\(D\)](#) Relating to the operations of certain housing

HB 2287

authorities.

**Remarks:** FA - Gives Commissioners Court oversight. WLJ - CS - Amends bracket to apply only to El Paso

WLJ - Border county housing authority.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 2288 Moody, Joe(D)

Relating to the definition of a political subdivision for the purpose of the operation of certain housing authorities.

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - Housing authority is a subdivision of state government and any subdivision or equivalent of state government located in another state contiguous with El Paso.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Urban Affairs

  HB 2358 Guillen, Ryan(D)

Relating to the administration and collection of sales and use taxes applicable to certain sales.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Allows a seller to directly or indirectly advertises or states to a customer or the public that the seller will pay the sales tax for the customer if the seller indicates so in the ad; doesn't indicate in the ad the sale is exempt; and the customer's receipt lists the sales price separate from the tax amount and indicates the seller will pay the tax. WLJ - Defines marketplace providers to mean sales medium of taxable items, including a store, internet, app, or catalog and provides for the payment of taxes on purchases through those mediums.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 2490 Wu, Gene(D)

Relating to the system for maintaining records relating to children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Requires DFPS to ensure its case tracking and information management system locks information related to any stage of service by appropriate DFPS staff, rep, or agent after approval by DFPS management.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 2546 Guillen, Ryan(D)

Relating to the energy efficiency performance standards for construction of industrialized housing or buildings.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG no amendments of interest MGV - CS no amendments of interest Allows a manufacturer or builder of industrialized housing or buildings to construct such homes according to energy efficiency performance standards that is applicable to the city or county in which the housing will be located or as set forth in the International residence code

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 2559 Bowers, Rhett (F)(D)

Relating to the issuance of a summons for certain

persons charged with a violation of a condition of release on parole or to mandatory supervision.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS JBD - Currently TDJC may issue summons instead of blue warrant for certain parole violators. Bill mandates use of summons, and alters qualifications slightly. Blue warrant can be issued only if violator fails to appear.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Corrections

  HB 2585 Leach, Jeff(R)

Relating to civil works projects and other construction projects of governmental entities.

**Companions:** SB 1503 Zaffirini, Judith(D) (Identical)  
4-30-19 S Meeting set for 8:00 A.M., E1.012,  
Senate Business and Commerce

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Requires govt entity to consider a potential offeror to be prequalified if state agency has prequalified.

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 offerors meet minimum qualifications. Establishes allowable factors during the prequalification 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 publicize 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:** 4-25-19 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

  HB 2613 Frullo, John(R)

Relating to the offense of operation of a stash house and to the use of proceeds from a civil asset forfeiture of contraband related to that offense and to human

smuggling and trafficking offenses to fund certain crime victim services.

**Remarks:** CS - definition of stash house amended JBD - Creates new offense of operating stash house related to human trafficking. Forfeiture proceeds from the offense must be used for victim services.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

  [HB 2706](#) [Capriglione, Giovanni\(R\)](#) Relating to local government public investment of funds

**Remarks:** FA - Removes provision impacting schools. CS - removes certificates of deposits as permitted investments.

JBD - Expands options for investment of public funds.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  [HB 2729](#) [Minjarez, Ina\(D\)](#) Relating to the administration, duties, and operation of the Edwards Aquifer Authority.

**Companions:** [SB 1647](#) [Campbell, Donna\(R\)](#) (Identical)  
3-14-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Water and Rural Affairs

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Prohibits the authority from increasing aquifer management fees by more than 8% annually. aph - updates provisions of the Edwards Aquifer Authority including elections, permit hearings, applications, fees, well closure, and enforcement actions.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Water and Rural Affairs

  [HB 2737](#) [Wu, Gene\(D\)](#) Relating to judicial guidance related to child protective services cases and juvenile cases.

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - Requires the Supreme Court to provide guidance annually to judges who oversee CPS cases or juvenile cases in order to create uniformity in the state.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  [HB 2758](#) [Hernandez, Ana\(D\)](#) Relating to changing the eligibility of persons charged with certain trafficking and prostitution offenses to receive community supervision, including deferred adjudication community supervision.

**Remarks:** ENG - probation permissible for victim of human trafficking that commits prostitution.

CS - technical changes

WLJ - Prohibits probation or deferred adjudication for a person found guilty of continuous human trafficking; Promotion of prostitution; aggravated promotion of prostitution;

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  **HB 2768** Martinez Fischer, Trey(D) Relating to the issuance of an occupational driver's license.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Creates application process by filing a verified petition with the clerk of a court in which the person was convicted or with whose order to pay a fine the person failed to comply. MGV - Allows a person with a suspended driver's license under driver responsibility program to apply for an occupational driver's license

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Criminal Jurisprudence

  **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:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  **HB 2859** Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Relating to the exemption of precious metals held in a depository in this state from ad valorem taxation.

**Remarks:** MGV - Adds an exemption for precious metal held in precious metal depository. Defines precious metal depository as a depository that is primarily engaged in the business of providing precious metal storage to the public and maintains sufficient insurance. WLJ - add an exemption for precious metals that are held in the commercial depository of the state. A commercial depository is a depository that is primarily engaged in the business of providing precious metals storage services and maintains sufficient insurance to cover 100% of the deposits. No application for the exemption is required. The Comptroller may adopt rules on this new exemption.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  **HB 2861** Landgraf, Brooks(R) Relating to the authority of the Texas Department of Transportation to provide road services on federal military property.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Permits TxDOT to enter into an agreement with U.S. Dept of Defense or other fed entity to provide road services on fed military property. Prohibits TxDOT from doing so if payment would be made from state funds.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  **HB 2914** Bell, Cecil(R) Relating to the necessity of hearings regarding the dissolution or conversion of certain conservation and reclamation districts.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Also permits the district's board of directors to petition apha - allows TCEQ to dissolve conservation and reclamation districts without a hearing if the Commission receives a petition from a majority of land owners within the district boundaries.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 2969 Sanford, Scott(R)

Relating to prohibited adverse employment action against a first responder based on mental illness.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Clarifies adverse employment action includes a loss of rank, pay, or benefits. MGV - Prohibits an employer to suspend, terminate, or take other adverse actions on a first responder solely because the employer knows or believes that the first responder has a mental illness.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 2982 Guillen, Ryan(D)

Relating to public inspection of an early voting roster.

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS - Requires posting online the voter register. WLJ - Allows a person to request a copy of an early voting roster. Creates a class c misdemeanor to not share the roster publicly.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 3175 Deshotel, Joe(D)

Relating to the confidentiality of certain personal information of an applicant for disaster recovery funds.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Adds business entities' information as confidential MGV - Requires name, SS #, address, phone #, any other identifying information of an applicant for disaster recovery funds to be confidential

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  HB 3331 Frank, James(R)

Relating to the procedures and grounds for terminating the parent-child relationship, for taking possession of a child, and for certain hearings in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

**Companions:** [SB 2091](#) Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical)  
3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services

**Remarks:** CS - New provision requires the court to order a non-indigent parent to reimburse the county for an appointed attorney.

JBD - Most of bill does not impact counties. But one provision appears to require appointment of attorney ad litem for parent and if the parent is found not to be indigent the attorney cannot be discharged until after a hearing that is required to be held no later than 14 days after filing of a petition by DFPS. Current law permits delay in proceedings while parent retains attorney, but that section is being repealed.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Human Services

  HB 3387 Anchia, Rafael(D)

Relating to abolishing a dissolution committee 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 comm

**Companions:** SB 2018 West, Royce(D) (Identical)  
4-23-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Public Education

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Requires Dallas Co commissioners court to continue levying taxes at rate of .01 until all debt is discharged. aph - companion for SB 2018 abolishes the Dallas Co board of county schools and transfers debts to the Dallas Co Commissioners Court.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Public Education

  HB 3440 Capriglione, Giovanni(R)

Relating to the electronic submission of required jail reports

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Requires the jail commission to implement a system for processing electronic submissions. Requires all submissions be submitted via the agreed upon electronic system and format. Allows the commission to accept non-electronic submissions, but requires them to collect a fee for non-electronic submissions.

WLJ - Allows the jail commission to accept all forms, data and documents via electronic means. The commission is permitted to collect a fee for non-electronic format submissions.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 3457 Smithee, John(R)

Relating to the assessment of litigation costs and attorney fees in certain lawsuits under the public information law.

**Remarks:** CS - provision regarding intervenors has been dropped. JBD - Concerns award of costs in suit under Public Information Act. Defines what it means to "substantially prevail" which triggers award of fees against governmental body. Applies the fee provisions to intervenors.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House State Affairs

  HB 3503 Anderson, Doc(R)

Relating to firearms training for county jailers.

**Companions:** SB 1879 Schwertner, Charles(R) (Identical)  
4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

**Remarks:** CS - If jailer fails annual proficiency exam, may not carry to and from or at work, but does not lose CHL.

JBD - Mandates firearms training for jailers and requires jailers that pass be permitted to carry firearms while on duty and traveling to/from work. Sheriffs with 1 or more certified jailers must designate proficiency officer to test shooting proficiency annually.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  **HB 3512** Pacheco, Leo (F)(D) Relating to community supervision.

**Companions:** **SB 2188** Whitmire, John(D) (Identical)  
3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to  
committee on Senate Criminal Justice

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Further expands conditions for modifying community supervision by including requiring a defendant to submit to drug testing if supervision officer has reasonable suspicion that the defendant has used a controllable substance. Amends to retain current law regarding conditions of community supervision that may be required avoiding injurious or vicious habits, supporting dependents, participate in any community-based program.

MGV - Expands conditions for modifying community supervision to include prioritization of conditions by the court according to risk assessment and defendant's progress. Modifies conditions for community supervision including the removal of avoidance of injurious or vicious habits and limiting avoidance of disreputable persons or places to the extent indicated by the risk assessment. Adds the community supervision and corrections dept as an entity able to develop the continuum of care treatment plan under the substance abuse felony program. Replaces reimbursement of a county for legal services with paying in one or more amounts all court costs, regardless of whether a fine is assessed for purposes of community supervision condition. Requires court to inquire as to whether defendant has sufficient resources to pay, rather than consider defendant's ability to pay, under community supervision. Reduces standards for reduction or termination of community supervision period to defendant's time served on community supervision plus time credits that equal 1/3 of original period or two years. Expands time credits for completion of certain conditions of community supervision to defendants granted community supervision, regardless of whether being delinquent in payment and has fully satisfied paying restitution. For payment of state aid, requires Community Justice Assistance Division to adopt provisions to award addtl'n per capita funding based on each discharged felony defendant who successfully completed community supervision or applicable early termination.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  **HB 3540** Burns, DeWayne(R) Relating to the authority of a peace officer to release in lieu of arrest certain persons with an intellectual or developmental disability.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Clarifies that a peace officer may release a person with IDD at their residence in lieu of arrest if they believe it is unnecessary to protect them or others who reside with them and the officer made a reasonable attempt to consult with the residence's staff and the individual about the decision. Exempts a political subdivision from liability for the released person's actions if an officer takes this action.

WLJ - Requires an officer consider if it is in the best interest to arrest a person with IDD who lives in a group home. Requires consultation with the persons guardian.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House

## Homeland Security and Public Safety

- T**  [HB 3557](#) [Paddie, Chris\(R\)](#) Relating to civil liability for engaging in certain conduct involving a critical infrastructure facility
- Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - a defendant who engages in criminal trespass and who also damages, destroys, vandalizes, defaces, or tampers with a critical infrastructure facility is liable to the property owner for civil damages arising from that conduct.
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
- T**  [HB 3637](#) [Guillen, Ryan\(D\)](#) Relating to the confidentiality of certain personal information of a person protected by a magistrate's order for emergency protection.
- Companions:** [SB 2390](#) Powell, Beverly (F)(D) (Identical)  
4-23-19 H Referred to House Committee on 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:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar
- T**  [HB 3675](#) [Murr, Andrew\(R\)](#) Relating to the provision of food service, laundry service, and lawn care to certain mental health facilities and state supported living centers.
- Companions:** [SB 1234](#) Buckingham, Dawn(R) (Identical)  
4-12-19 H Referred to House Committee on House Human Services
- Remarks:** WLJ - CS WLJ - Requires the LMHA to contract with Kerrville State Hospital for food, laundry, and lawn services for the crisis stabilization unit on the Kerrville grounds.
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar
- T**  [HB 3745](#) [Bell, Cecil\(R\)](#) Relating to the Texas emissions reduction plan fund and account.
- Remarks:** WLJ - CS - Extends the fees. WLJ - Takes the TERP funds out of legislative appropriations. Redefines the TERP fund and account in a manner that permits TCEQ to spend all monies raised by TERP fees to carry out the plan without specific legislative appropriation
- Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar
- T**  [HB 3784](#) [Larson, Lyle\(R\)](#) Relating to authorizing a statewide referendum allowing voters to indicate a preference for exempting the state from daylight saving time or observing daylight saving time year-round.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Changes the wording "exempted from daylight savings time" to "observing standard time year-round."

VRS - Establishes permanent daylight savings time/exempts Texas from the time change.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  [HB 3786](#) [Coleman, Garnet\(D\)](#) Relating to establishing family drug courts in counties.

**Companions:** [HB 4041](#) Coleman, Garnet(D) (Refiled from 85R Session)

**Remarks:** VRS - FA - Makes the study permissive. VRS - CS - Requires a commissioners court conducting a family court study to request assistance from subject area staff (ie. attorneys/guardians ad litem, etc.). Requires that HHSC administer the family court fund, and stipulates that only counties who complete the aforementioned study and submit it to HHSC are eligible to receive grants from the fund.

VRS - Mandates that any county that does not have a family drug court in place consider/study the affects that such a court would have in their county regarding reducing the number of children put back in the CPS system because their guardian was found to be abusing drugs. The funding for the study is to come from general revenue appropriated by the legislature, gifts/donations, and counties can submit the study to the HHSC for funding.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  [HB 3800](#) [Thompson, Senfronia\(D\)](#) Relating to required reporting of human trafficking cases by peace officers and prosecutors.

**Companions:** [SB 1920](#) Alvarado, Carol (F)(D) (Identical 3-19-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice

**Remarks:** CS - cleanup JBD - Requires law enforcement agencies and prosecutors to report details of human trafficking offenses to a university designated by the AG.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Homeland Security and Public Safety

  [HB 3802](#) [Guillen, Ryan\(D\)](#) Relating to the creation of a zero-emissions vehicle program.

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS - includes provisions making a project ineligible to receive a grant unless not less than 75 percent of vehicle miles traveled or hours of operation projected for the five years immediately following the award of a grant is projected to take place in a nonattainment area or affected county of Texas and authorizing TCEQ to set the minimum percentage of vehicle miles traveled or hours of operation required to take place in a nonattainment area or affected county at a percentage and for a period that is different from such specified percentage and period.

WLJ - Creates a zero emissions vehicle program overseen by TCEQ to administer grants to governments to reduce pollution.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Environmental Regulation

  [HB 3834](#) [Capriglione, Giovanni\(R\)](#) Relating to the requirement that certain state and local government employees and state contractors complete a cybersecurity training program certified by the state cybersecurity coordinator.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Permits a local govt that employs a dedicated information resources cybersecurity officer to offer its employees training in lieu of the requirement

MGV - CS No amendments of interest

Requires a state or local govt employee that uses a computer to complete at least 25% of required duties to complete a certified cybersecurity training program every year. Authorizes the governing body of a local govt to select most appropriate cyber security training program. Requires governing body to verify and report completion of training to the state cybersecurity coordinator and necessitates periodic audits for compliance.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Received in the Senate

  [HB 3950](#) [Frank, James\(R\)](#) Relating to the establishment of the child welfare task force and provision of services in the child welfare system.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Establishes a child welfare task force to develop a statewide plan for continued implementation of community-based care, for state's child welfare system.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  [HB 3978](#) [Gutierrez, Roland\(D\)](#) Relating to a defendant making a specified donation in lieu of working a specified number of hours at a community service project.

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - Permits, in place of mandatory community services hours, a defendant may make a payment to a nonprofit that supports a county drug court.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  [HB 4013](#) [Miller, Rick\(R\)](#) Relating to sales and use taxes on e-cigarette vapor products.

**Companions:** [SB 1332](#) [Johnson, Nathan \(F\)\(D\)](#) (Identical) 3- 7-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Imposes additional 10% state sales tax on all e-cigarettes, vapor products.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Ways and Means

  [HB 4150](#) [Paddie, Chris\(R\)](#) Relating to safety and inspection reporting requirements for certain utilities

**Companions:** [SB 2375](#) [Hughes, Bryan\(R\)](#) (Identical)

3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Adds requirement for electric utility, city owned utility, or electric cooperative to meet minimum clearance requirements in the National Electrical Safety Code Standard ANSI in the construction of any transmission or distribution lines over 178 lakes. WLJ - Requires each utility owning T&D to complete a report which included hazard recognition training.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  HB 4172 Leach, Jeff(R)

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

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Provides nonsubstantive revision of laws governing water and wastewater special districts.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 4214 Capriglione, Giovanni(R)

Relating to matters concerning governmental entities, including cybersecurity, governmental efficiencies, information resources, and emergency planning.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS - Creates liability exemption for a person who in good faith discloses to a state agency or other govt entity information regarding a potential security issue w/ respect to information resources technologies unless person stole, retained, or sold any data obtained as a result of security issue MGV - Requires Gov to appoint a chief innovation officer with duties including developing methods to improve experience of residents, businesses and local govts in interacting w/ state govt. Expands definition of disaster to include a cyber attack. Establishes cyberstar program in Dept of Information Technology - best practices for cybersecurity including coordination w/ local and state govt agencies. Requires each state agency and local govt to consider using next generation technologies (cryptocurrency, blockchain tech, and artificial intelligence). Exempts from liability a person who discloses state agency or other govt entity information regarding a potential security issue w/ respect to information resources technology. Requires Gov to establish a cybersecurity matching grant fund for local govts to defray costs of cybersecurity projects. Requires Information Resources Dept to develop cybersecurity threat assessment for local govts. Establishes regional information sharing and analysis centers and allows political subdivisions to join. Within 48 hours after a political subdivision discovers a breach of system security, requires political subdivision to notify the regional information sharing and analysis center. In cities and counties of 100,000+, requires a multihazard emergency operations plan for use in city and county's facilities with an audit conducted every three years. If political subdivision makes a ransomware payment, required to notify cybersecurity coordinator.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  HB 4236 Anderson, Doc(R)

Relating to a limited viewing of certain body worn camera recordings.

**Companions:** [SB 973](#) Birdwell, Brian(R) (Identical)  
3- 1-19 S Introduced and referred to  
committee on Senate Criminal Justice

**Remarks:** CS - Entire video does not have to be shown. Cannot be copied. Showing is not a public disclosure.

JBD - Permits law enforcement to show body cam video to a person in the video (or representative if that person is deceased) if doing so furthers a law enforcement purpose. Entire video must be shown and cannot be redacted.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  [HB 4251](#) Cyrier, John(R)

Relating to allowing the Bastrop County Commissioners Court to charge interest on assessments for certain county improvements of subdivision roads.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Allows Bastrop County to charge interest on an assessment at the judgement interest rate. WLJ - Allows Bastrop County to charge interest on an assessment.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House County Affairs

  [HB 4289](#) Coleman, Garnet(D)

Relating to the creation and operations of health care provider participation programs in local jurisdictions in this state.

**Companions:** [SB 2256](#) Kolkhorst, Lois(R) (Identical)  
3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to  
committee on Senate Health and Human  
Services

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS - authorizes local jurisdictions to establish health care provider participation programs. Local jurisdictions include hospital districts, counties, and municipalities. A health care provider participation program would allow local jurisdictions to collect a mandatory payment from non-public hospitals to fund intergovernmental transfers, subsidize indigent care programs, and for uniform rate enhancements for nonpublic hospitals in Medicaid managed care. Intergovernmental transfers are used by the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) as the nonfederal share to draw down Medicaid supplemental payments. The nonfederal share of Texas Medicaid supplemental payments is provided largely by local public funds provided to HHSC by intergovernmental transfer. The bill's provisions do not contain any implications for state General Revenue funds.

WLj - Authorizes LPPF creation across the state.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House County Affairs

  [HB 4362](#) Nevarez, Poncho(D)

Relating to peer-to-peer vehicle sharing platforms, the collection, remittance, and administration of certain taxes on those platforms, and fees collected by those platforms.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Clarifies duties of peer-to-peer vehicle sharing platforms and establishes regulatory power exclusive to the state.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Transportation

  HB 4390 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Relating to the privacy of personal identifying information.

**Remarks:** CS - Complete re-write. Modifies current breach reporting requirements. Establishes council to study data privacy and report to legislature by 12/1/2020

JBD - Restricts business collection and use of personally identifying information. Does not apply to governments.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Business and Industry

  HB 4447 Cain, Briscoe(R) Relating to timely public inspection of early voting rosters.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Requires that the information on the roster for a mail in ballot or early voting ballot for an election in which a county clerk is the early voting clerk be publicly posted on the county's website or bulletin board if they don't have a website by the start of business the day after the information is inputted into the roster.

WLJ - Requires public inspection of the early voting roster by 11am on the date the information is entered.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 4498 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to the reimbursement of excess costs incurred by a recipient of certain grants awarded by the Texas Department of Transportation.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Applies to county or city w/ population of less than 15,000. Requires TxDOT to reimburse grant recipients for construction of a transportation project for costs incurred that exceed amount of grant.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  HB 4542 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to reports by persons involved in the manufacture and distribution of alcoholic beverages for purposes of sales and use taxes.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Includes a brewpub license holder as a retailer for establishing certain sales and use taxes reporting requirements.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

  HB 4548 Wray, John(R) Relating to the creation and operations of health care provider participation programs in certain counties.

**Companions:** SB 2423 Birdwell, Brian(R) (Identical)  
3-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Intergovernmental Relations

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS WLJ - Creates a LPPF for Ellis County.

**Last Action:** 4-22-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House County Affairs

  HJR 10 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas legacy fund and the Texas legacy distribution fund, dedicating earnings on the Texas legacy distribution fund.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Amended to pay for unfunded TERS liabilities using \$500m from ESF MGV - Joint resolution providing for the creation of the Texas Legacy Fund, a permanent endowment that would generate revenue to pay for costs of long-term obligations, using \$3.5b from ESF

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Received in the Senate

  HJR 95 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the authorization to exempt from ad valorem taxation precious metals.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS constitutional amendment applies to precious metal held in a precious metal depository. aph - constitutional amendment that exempts the value of precious metals held in the state depository from property taxation.

**Last Action:** 4-30-19 H Set on the House Calendar

  SB 13 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the ethics of public officials, including restrictions relating to lobbying and the personal financial statements of public officials.

**Remarks:** ENG - Drops everything except the provision that prohibits a former legislator from lobbying for one session.

CS - Small office exclusion is dropped.

JBD - Lobbyists cannot be candidates for office, but does not apply to office of political subdivision of 150k or less if no compensation for the office or if compensation is declined. State officials cannot be lobbyists. Ethics Commission to make financial disclosures available on website. Restricts lobbying by former legislators for one session.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 26 Kolkhorst, Lois(R)  
Cyrier, John(R) Relating to the allocation to and use by the Parks and Wildlife Department and Texas Historical Commission of certain proceeds from the imposition of state sales and use taxes on sporting goods.

**Companions:**

HB 1214	Cyrier, John(R)	(Identical)
	4-23-19 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 26	
SB 526	Kolkhorst, Lois(R)	(Identical)
	2-21-19 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance	

**Remarks:** WLJ - FA - takes it back to 94% WLJ-CS- Changes amount from 94% to 93.4%.

WLJ - Changes the historic site account into a dedicated account.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Set on the Senate Items Eligible Calendar

  SB 132 Hinojosa, Chuy(D)

Relating to operation of the Texas leverage fund program administered by the Texas Economic Development Bank.

**Companions:** HB 31 Longoria, Oscar(D) (Identical)  
4-29-19 H Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E2.014,  
House International Relations/Economic Dev

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - Creates the Texas Leverage Fund with the Comptroller as trustee. The fund will be used for loans to economic development corporations.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

  SB 340 Huffman, Joan(R)

Relating to the creation of a grant program to assist law enforcement agencies with the purchase of opioid antagonists.

**Companions:** HB 1449 King, Phil(R) (Identical)  
2-27-19 H Introduced and referred to  
committee on House Homeland Security and  
Public Safety

**Remarks:** MGJ - CS Requires Criminal Justice Division of Gov's office to implement only if money is appropriated.

MGV - Creates an opioid antagonist grant program housed in TDCJ to provide grants to a law enforcement agency for providing opioid antagonists to peace officers, evidence technicians, and related personnel likely to come into contact with opioids or persons suffering from an apparent opioid-related drug overdose. Authorizes TDCJ to use any money available for purposes of grant.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 429 Lucio, Eddie(D)

Relating to a comprehensive plan for increasing and improving the workforce in this state to serve persons with mental health and substance use issues.

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - Requires the statewide behavioral health coordinating council to develop and implement a plan to increase behavioral health workforce issues in the state.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate Health and Human Services

  SB 549 West, Royce(D)

Relating to the operation of motor-assisted scooters.

**Companions:** HB 4499 Raymond, Richard(D) (Identical)  
3-26-19 H Introduced and referred to  
committee on House Transportation

**Remarks:** WLJ -CS- Age limit of 16, prohibits riding on sidewalk, increases speed.

WLJ - Sets up regulations for the use of electric scooters, includes a 15mph statewide speed limit, outlaws blocking sidewalks, allows counties/cities to set more stringent regulations, legalizes electric scooters statewide.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

  SB 560 Kolkhorst, Lois(R)

Relating to a plan and report on court-ordered representation for certain suits affecting the parent-child relationship.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Places responsibility for preparing and providing to the council the submitting the rules with each local administrative district judge. Requires local administrative judge and each county auditor to provide to the Judicial Council information required under the statewide plan. MGV - Requires the Judicial Council to develop a statewide plan requiring counties and courts to report information on court-ordered representation for appointments made in suits filed by a governmental entity seeking termination of parent-child relationship or the appointment of a conservator for a child. Every two years, each district or county clerk shall provide to the Council a copy of all formal, informal rules and forms used to appoint representation and any related fee schedule. Requires each county auditor, or commissioners court designee, to send the Council the money spent by the county during the preceding FY to provide court ordered representation. Requires Council to annually submit report of compiled information to Gov, Lt Gov, and Speaker.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

  SB 562 Zaffirini, Judith(D)

Relating to the delivery of certain mental health information regarding a defendant transferred from a county to the custody of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

**Remarks:** CS - Sub repeals current requirement that certain defendants be sent to max security facility, and instead permits HHSC to decide placement.

WLJ - Requires mental health records and evaluation follow an inmate upon transfer to TDCJ. Makes optional for a court to commit a person found incompetent based on a finding of manifestly dangerous including using telepsychiatry to evaluate. Allows a commitment to a mental health facility or residential facility.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 601 Hall, Bob(R)  
Flynn, Dan(R)

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Veterans Commission.

**Companions:** [HB 1327](#) Flynn, Dan(R) (Identical)  
3-11-19 H Committee action pending House  
Defense and Veteran's Affairs

**Remarks:** WLJ - Requires commissioners court to posting a VCSO position for at least 30 days on the veterans commission website and online state employment portal. If unable to find a person that fits the Veterans Commission requirements they must request approval from the commission.

WLJ - Veterans Commission sunset bill. Watch for amendments.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Defense and Veteran's Affairs

  SB 641 Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to dangerous wild animals.

**Companions:** HB 1268 Lucio III, Eddie(D) (Identical)  
4- 3-19 H Committee action pending House Public Health

**Remarks:** CS - "Animal control authority" changed to city or county animal control officer, or sheriff if no animal control officer. Counties may sue violators and collect civil penalties from \$200 to \$2000 for each animal/day.

JBD - Replaces current statutes regarding regulation of wild animals and dangerous dogs. Dangerous wild animals permitted under some circumstances, including registration with Health & Human Services Commission. No more registration with counties or cities. For all counties, sheriff (and not county animal control officer) to receive lists of permitted wild animals held by a person in the county.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  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)  
4-17-19 H Committee action pending House Homeland Security and Public Safety

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Grants 180 day grace period for those with misdemeanor drug offenses to take a course on the dangers of drug abuse rather than making them wait 180 days after completing requirements. MGV - Repeals automatic driver's license suspensions on final conviction of misdemeanor drug offenses.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

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

**Companions:** HB 3624 Thompson, Senfronia(D) (Identical)  
4-16-19 H Reported from committee as substituted Licensing and Administrative Procedures

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

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 H Referred to House Committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures

  SB 939 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the limitations periods for certain suits against real estate appraisers and appraisal firms.

**Companions:** HB 1116 Wray, John(R) (Identical)  
4-23-19 H Reported from committee as

substituted House Judiciary and Civil  
Jurisprudence

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Exempts suits based on fraud or breach of contract aph - companion to HB 1116 adds a statue of limitations on a suit brought against an appraiser for damages arising from an appraisal of a property to 2 years of when a person should have know or 5 total years.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

  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)  
4-23-19 S Received in the Senate

**Remarks:** VRS - SFA - No substantive changes. VRS - ENG - 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:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 1000 Watson, Kirk(D) Relating to the municipal regulation of housing for homeless individuals provided by a religious organization.

**Remarks:** WLJ - CS - NS WLJ - Prohibits city ordinances from prohibiting religious organizations from using their property for housing for homeless individuals.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 H Received in the House

  SB 1119 Lucio, Eddie(D) Relating to the establishment of a border public health initiative by the Department of State Health Services.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Takes out the "to the extent funding is available" stipulation. Requires the DSHS to submit an electronic report of the affects of the program to the Legislature no later than January 1, 2023.

VRS - Requires DSHS to develop an initiative to raise awareness and educate the public in border counties about the health impacts of diabetes, hypertension, and obesity to the extent that funding is available.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 1120 Lucio, Eddie(D) Relating to health professional continuing education to address communicable and other diseases in border counties.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Requires DSHS to identify the accessibility of continuing education programs/resources that may provide continuing education on communicable and other diseases in border counties.

WLJ - Requires DSHS to provide continuing education to public health workers in border counties on communicable and other diseases.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 1121 Lucio, Eddie(D)

Relating to public health laboratory capabilities in certain counties.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Stipulates that DSHS is only required to provide the report/testing if the Legislature appropriates funds for this specific purpose, if it does not, then the implementation of the report/testing is optional.

WLJ - Requires DSHS to provide a report to the Legislature on public laboratories in border counties. They must collaborate with the local health departments. Requires the department to support year-round testing for insect transmitted borne infectious diseases in the counties at risk of year-round outbreaks.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 1122 Lucio, Eddie(D)

Relating to the establishment of a sanitarian recruitment and retention program in border counties for public health purposes.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Stipulates that DSHS is only required to establish the program if the Legislature appropriates funds for this specific purpose, if it does not, then the implementation of the report/testing is optional.

VRS - Allows local health units, health departments and public health districts in border counties that have a contract with DSHS to develop a grant program that provides greater training to sanitarians to control the spread of illnesses.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

  SB 1177 Menendez, Jose(D)

Relating to offering certain evidence-based practices in lieu of other mental health services by a Medicaid managed care organization.

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - Allows a managed care organization to offer evidence based mental health services to Medicaid patients.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  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:** WLJ - FA - Exempts towing company requirements and health and safety ordinances, including LGC 214.

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:** 4-26-19 H Referred to House Committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures

  SB 1313 Lucio, Eddie(D)

Relating to demonstration programs for childhood obesity and chronic disease prevention in certain border counties.

**Remarks:** VRS - CS - Stipulates that DSHS is only required to establish the program if the Legislature appropriates funds for this specific purpose, if it does not, then the implementation of the report/testing is optional.

VRS - Requires DSHS to establish a childhood obesity prevention demonstration program and a chronic disease prevention program in Hidalgo County.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 1350 Watson, Kirk(D)

Relating to the creation and operations of a health care provider participation program by a certain hospital district.

**Companions:** [HB 3649](#) Hinojosa, Gina(D) (Identical)  
4-18-19 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House County Affairs

**Remarks:** WLJ - Travis County LPPF.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 1390 Menendez, Jose(D)

Relating to suicide prevention in public school curriculum and certain educational programs concerning suicide prevention and substance abuse prevention.

**Companions:** [HB 4193](#) Allison, Steve (F)(R) (Identical)  
3-25-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Education

**Remarks:** WL - Requires every 5 years. WLJ - Requires mental health including substance abuse and suicide prevention be part of a school curriculum.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 1553 Lucio, Eddie(D)

Relating to the process for establishing speed limits on roads near certain schools.

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Upon request of school or higher ed institution following a public hearing, requires commissioners court, city, or TX Transportation Commission to conduct an engineering and traffic investigation. MGV - Expands a commissioners court's authority to declare a lower speed limit of 20 miles per hour on a county road or highway that is locate within 500 ft of a school. Adds open-enrollment charter school to the locations in which a commissioners court is required to hold a

public hearing regarding speed limit on county road that is within 500 ft of the school that is not in a city.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate Transportation

  SB 1649 Kolkhorst, Lois(R)

Relating to assistance with the establishment and oversight of public defenders' offices and a review of criminal defense attorney's fees by the Texas Indigent Defense Commission.

**Remarks:** CS - drops provision that prohibit aid to larger counties until all smaller counties had PD office.

JBD - Requires Indigent Defense Commission to offer assistance to counties under 50,000 in establishment and oversight of public defender offices. Assistance cannot be given to larger counties unless PD office exists in all counties under 50,000. TIDC to issue policies and procedures for operation and administration of all PD offices. TIDC to annually review all criminal defense fees - private and appointed - to ensure fees are equitable, fair and consistent.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

  SB 1698 Whitmire, John(D)

Relating to the eligibility of certain juvenile offenders to be transferred to criminal court.

**Remarks:** CS - juveniles cannot be certified for state jail felonies. JBD - Juveniles cannot be certified to be tried as adults for state jail felonies or 3rd degree felonies.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

  SB 1700 Whitmire, John(D)

Relating to the discharge of a prisoner from a county jail.

**Companions:** [HB 3270](#) Miller, Rick(R) (Identical)  
4-25-19 H Voted favorably from committee on House County Affairs

**Remarks:** WLJ - NS WLJ - For the release of a prisoner from a county jail requires discharge to be between 6am and 5pm. Allows for a credit of up to 18 hours and to release the defendant the preceding day of the defendants sentence. If a defendant agrees to a time after 5pm and between 6 am, the sheriff is allowed to release them after that time; is subject to transfer to another county, or transfer to another state; or being transferred to an inpatient facility.

**Last Action:** 4-23-19 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

  SB 1879 Schwertner, Charles(R)

Relating to firearms training for county jailers.

**Companions:** [HB 3503](#) Anderson, Doc(R) (Identical)  
4-22-19 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

**Remarks:** CS - If jailer fails annual proficiency exam, may not carry to and from or at work, but does not lose CHL.

JBD - Mandates firearms training for jailers and requires jailers that pass be permitted to carry firearms while on duty

and traveling to/from work. Sheriffs with 1 or more certified jailers must designate proficiency officer to test shooting proficiency annually.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 2026 Perry, Charles(R) Relating to regulation of the production of retail public utility wells by a groundwater conservation district.

**Companions:** HB 2122 Harris, Cody (F)(R) (Identical)  
3-26-19 H Committee action pending House Natural Resources

**Remarks:** CS - technical amendment aph - exempts a retail public utility operating in a groundwater district from spacing, permitting, and pumping rules of the district.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 2060 Menendez, Jose(D) Relating to the contents of a notice of appraised value sent to a property owner by the chief appraiser of an appraisal district.

**Remarks:** MGV -CS Requires chief appraiser to include with a notice of appraised value a brief explanation of each total or partial exemption available.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

  SB 2114 West, Royce(D) Relating to certain duties of peace officers and law enforcement agencies concerning certain information subject to disclosure to a defendant.

**Remarks:** CS - drops a provision that said violation of new requirements was grounds for suspension of peace officer license.

JBD - Law enforcement agencies must provide exculpatory evidence to prosecutor, including misconduct finding against an involved officer.

**Last Action:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 2127 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to a border volunteer training program for peace officers employed by local law enforcement agencies.

**Remarks:** ENG - changes do not impact counties 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:** 4-25-19 H Received in the House

  SB 2240 West, Royce(D) Relating to an exception to the titling requirement for certain vehicles.

**Companions:** HB 1087 Kuempel, John(R) (Identical)

4-12-19 H Reported from committee as substituted House Transportation

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Removes salvage vehicle dealers from those eligible to purchase aph - allows metal recyclers, salvage vehicle dealers, and automotive parts dealers to purchase vehicles at least 10 years old for parts or scrap without transferring the title as long as they report the sale and identifying information to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System.

**Last Action:** 4-29-19 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

  SB 2260 Flores, Pete(R)

Relating to the grant program distributing money from the transportation infrastructure fund.

**Companions:** [HB 3196](#) Landgraf, Brooks(R) (Identical)  
3-13-19 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Transportation

**Remarks:** MGV - CS Clarifies transportation infrastructure fund grant programs can be made only for transportation infrastructure projects. Restricts eligibility for a grant from the transportation infrastructure fund to a county if at least \$10m in oil and gas production taxes were collected in the county in the prior FY in which county applies. Requires competitive bidding for contracts funded by grants and establishes a five year period for spending grant. aph - adds in-kind contributions as an appropriate method of meeting the local match portion for a project funded through the transportation infrastructure fund.

**Last Action:** 4-24-19 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate Transportation

  SJR 24 Kolkhorst, Lois(R)  
Cyrier, John(R)

Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the appropriation of the net revenue received from the imposition of state sales and use taxes on sporting goods.

**Remarks:** MGV - ENG Permits the legislature to direct the Comptroller to reduce the amount of money appropriated to the Dept and Commission based on the net sales and uses tax revenue received. WLJ - CS provisions do not take affect till 9/1/21. - provide that the net sales and use tax revenue received from the sale, storage, use, or consumption of sporting goods is automatically appropriated to the Parks and Wildlife Department and Historical Commission each fiscal year.

**Last Action:** 4-26-19 S Set on the Senate Items Eligible Calendar

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