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- HB 1756 Burns, DeWayne(R) Relating to county appropriations to historical foundations or organizations.
- Remarks:** MGV - Removes bracket to allow any commissioners court of a county to appropriate money to historical foundations or organizations.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 H Filed
- HB 1757 Krause, Matt(R) Relating to recordings of peace officer performance of official duties and interactions with the public.
- Remarks:** MGV - Requires a peace officer to immediately disclose that the officer is recording the interaction. Creates criminal offense if a peace officer or other employee of law enforcement agency alters a recording of a peace officer performing duties without consent.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 H Filed
- HB 1758 Krause, Matt(R) Relating to the operation and use of an unmanned aircraft.
- Remarks:** MGV - Creates a Class A misdemeanor if a person operates an unmanned aircraft equipped w/ a chemical dispensing device, explosives, or firearm.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 H Filed
- HB 1760 Krause, Matt(R) Relating to reporting by political subdivisions regarding the receipt or expenditure of federal funds.
- Remarks:** MGV - Requires a political subdivision that receives or expends a federal grant or other fed funds that haven't been appropriated by the legislature to report to the Legislative Budget Board, Comptroller, and Gov by 150 days of the subdivision's fiscal year. Report to include total amount of funds received/expended and use or proposed use.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 H Filed
- HB 1765 Anchia, Rafael(D) Relating to the creation of certain criminal offenses concerning firearm sales at gun shows.
- Companions:** [HB 195](#) Reynolds, Ron(D) (Refiled from 86R)

HB 1169	Anchia, Rafael(D)	Session) (Refiled from 86R Session)
HB 52	Reynolds, Ron(D) 11- 9-20 H Filed	(Identical)
HB 245	Bernal, Diego(D) 11- 9-20 H Filed	(Identical)
HB 760	Goodwin, Vikki(D) 12- 8-20 H Filed	(Identical)

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a Class A misdemeanor for selling a firearm at a gun show and not doing a criminal background check, not maintaining the record of sale. Creates a Class A misdemeanor to a gun show promoter if with gross negligence they permit a sale of a firearm to someone without a background check. Allows for a fee. Requires the promoter to provide written notice of details of the show to local law officials within 30 days before the show.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1766](#) [Anchia, Rafael\(D\)](#) Relating to certain criminal offenses concerning the unlawful transfer or purchase of certain weapons.

Companions: [SB 641](#) West, Royce(D) (Identical)
2-10-21 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Creates offense of unlawful purchase of a firearm with intent to deliver to person intending to possess the firearm unlawfully, use the firearm unlawfully, or in commission of an unlawful act.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1767](#) [Anchia, Rafael\(D\)](#) Relating to wrongful exclusion of handgun license holders from certain property owned by or leased to a governmental entity and to certain offenses relating to the carrying of handguns on that property.

Remarks: MGV - Re: wrongful exclusion of handgun license holders from property, limits property to a place owned and occupied by a state agency or political subdivision.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1768](#) [Anchia, Rafael\(D\)](#) Relating to the prosecution of certain offenses involving the carrying of weapons at amusement parks or locations associated with schools or other educational institutions.

Companions: [HB 1167](#) [Anchia, Rafael\(D\)](#) (Refiled from 86R
Session)

Remarks: JBD - Expands the places where weapons are not permitted. Covers schools and amusement parks.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1772](#) [Anchia, Rafael\(D\)](#) Relating to the notice given by a property owner prohibiting a handgun license holder from carrying a handgun on the property.

Companions: [HB 1165](#) Anchia, Rafael(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: JBD - Adds new permissible form of sign to warn that open carry of handguns is prohibited.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1783](#) [White, James\(R\)](#) Relating to the age of a child at which a juvenile court may exercise jurisdiction over the child and to the minimum age of criminal responsibility.

Remarks: MGV - Increases from 10 to 13 the minimum age of criminal responsibility.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1784](#) [Thierry, Shawn\(D\)](#) Relating to prohibiting the use of certain techniques when using force to make an arrest or search.

Companions: [HB 346](#) Rose, Toni(D) (Identical)
11- 9-20 H Filed
[HB 418](#) Sherman, Carl(D) (Identical)
11- 9-20 H Filed
[SB 69](#) Miles, Borris(D) (Identical)
11- 9-20 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Bans the use of illegal chokehold

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1785](#) [Thierry, Shawn\(D\)](#) Relating to creating the criminal offense of operating a boarding home facility without a permit in certain counties and municipalities.

Companions: [SB 500](#) Miles, Borris(D) (Identical)
1-28-21 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a Class B misdemeanor for a boarding home facility operating without a permit in a county or city.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1786](#) [Thierry, Shawn\(D\)](#) Relating to the issuance of air quality permits for concrete plants located in certain areas.

Companions: [SB 368](#) Miles, Borris(D) (Identical)
1-15-21 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Bracketed to Harris Co./Houston. Requires concrete plan application permit be copied to the governing body, allows the governing body to reject the permit.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

[HB 1789](#) [Vasut, Cody \(F\)\(R\)](#) Relating to the authority of an appraisal review board to direct changes in the appraisal roll and related appraisal records if a residence homestead is sold for less than the appraised value.

Companions: [HB 484](#) Phelan, Dade(R) (Refiled from 86R)

Remarks: aph - Allows the Chief Appraiser or property owner to request a change in the valuation of a property for the current and preceding two years to be listed as the sales price of the property if it is a homestead and at least 10% less than the appraised value. The Board is still required to find the sales price reflects market value.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1790 Darby, Drew(R)

Relating to the notice provided to certain individuals on termination of the parent-child relationship and on placement of a child in the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Remarks: JBD - Requires DFPS to send notice to relatives after parental rights terminated so that relatives may intervene for custody.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1794 Johnson, Julie(D)

Relating to the liability of an owner, lessee, or occupant of real property in connection with the use of or entry onto the property.

Remarks: JBD - Currently there is cap on damages against owner of ag land used for recreation, but cap applies only if owner has insurance. Bill strikes the insurance requirement.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1798 Shaheen, Matt(R)

Relating to the effect of a disaster declaration on the ad valorem tax rate of a taxing unit other than a school district and the appraised value of certain property in the taxing unit.

Remarks: MGV - Creates temporary limit on appraisal of real property in taxing unit affected by disaster to market value for most recent tax year; or sum of appraised value and market value of new improvements. Creates temporary limit on tax rate of taxing unit (not school districts) in a disaster area declared by Gov or President to NNR and current debt rate.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1800 Lopez, Ray(D)

Relating to a pilot program to establish community collaboratives to address financial exploitation of elderly persons in this state.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a pilot program to establish a community collaborative to protect the elderly to include one local court, one local prosecutor.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1802 Dominguez, Alex(D)

Relating to a study evaluating the use of alternative therapies for treating certain mental health and other medical conditions.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates a study to evaluate the therapeutic efficacy of alternative therapies to treat major mental health disorders to

include MDMA and ketamine.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1803 Wilson, Terry(R) Relating to requiring county approval of a proposed purchase or conversion by a municipality of a property to house homeless individuals.

Companions: **SB 646** Schwertner, Charles(R) (Identical)
2-10-21 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Prohibits a city from purchasing property to house homeless individuals unless approved by commissioners court.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1805 Moody, Joe(D) Relating to the award of good conduct time to certain inmates.

Companions: **HB 1271** Thompson, Senfronia(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: aph - awards good time behavior credits for participation in a treatment program.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1806 Gonzalez, Jessica(D) Relating to the composition and duties of early voting boards and signature verification committees.

Remarks: WLJ - Adds the alternate presiding judge to the early voting ballot board and signature verification committee.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1807 Gonzalez, Jessica(D) Relating to the use of an applicant's e-mail address on a vote by mail application.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows for an email address to be include on a mail in ballot. Allows for email for notice to correct.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1808 Gonzalez, Jessica(D) Relating to electronic voter registration.

Remarks: WLJ - Allows for a program to complete a voter registration application over the internet. Requires an unexpired drivers license.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1809 Gonzalez, Jessica(D) Relating to the eligibility of certain persons younger than 18 years of age to preregister to vote.

Remarks: WLJ- Expands eligibility to vote to a person turning 18 within 6 months of an election.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1810 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Relating to maintenance and production of electronic

public information under the public information law.

Remarks: JBD - Makes public data dictionaries and other indicia of the type or category of information in each field in a database. Requires gov bodies to release public information in electronic and searchable and/or sortable format if software used by gov has that capability.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1812 Swanson, Valoree(R) Relating to filing fees for certain candidates for office in primary elections.

Remarks: JBD - Requires candidate petition or filing fee prior to party nominating convention.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1813 Swanson, Valoree(R) Relating to the required vote by a presidential elector and related procedures.

Remarks: WLJ- Provides for the SOS filling an empty elector position with a substitute elector nominated with the political party as applicable.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1814 Gonzalez, Jessica(D) Relating to the confidentiality of and discovery procedures relating to certain material regarding the protection or security of a witness.

Companions: **SB 508** West, Royce(D) (Identical)
1-28-21 S Filed

Remarks: JBD - In both civil and criminal cases, before information concerning protecting, securing, or relocating a witness may be disclosed to the other party / defendant, the court must review and determine discovery is constitutionally mandated or otherwise necessary. Makes such information confidential under the Public Information Act. Wrongful disclosure of such information is Class A misdemeanor.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1819 Martinez, Armando(D) Relating to the powers of board members of certain emergency services districts.

Remarks: MGV - Permits 2 or more ESDs from adopting and enforcing a fire code

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1820 Zwiener, Erin(D) Relating to the regulation, monitoring, and enforcement of matters under the jurisdiction of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Remarks: WLJ- Limits emissions events and creates a penalty for dry cleaners.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1821 Zwiener, Erin(D) Relating to climate change planning and reporting.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires TCEQ create climate change plan

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1822 [Zwiener, Erin\(D\)](#) Relating to the conduct of early voting by mail.

Remarks: WLJ- Allos for personal delivery of a mail in ballot to the clerks office, at a polling place .

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

HB 1824 [Price, Four\(R\)](#) Relating to the continuity of services received by persons receiving services at state hospitals and state supported living centers.

Remarks: MGV - Provides costs of a hearing on a doctor's application for order to authorize psychoactive medication for a patient committed to be paid by the county that ordered the commitment.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1827 [Martinez Fischer, Trey\(D\)](#) Relating to the minimum wage.

Remarks: MGV - Sets minimum wage at \$15 an hour.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1828 [Martinez Fischer, Trey\(D\)](#) Relating to the payment in installments of ad valorem taxes on a residence homestead.

Companions: [HB 2770](#) [Martinez Fischer, Trey\(D\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: aph - creates an installment payment plan for disabled veterans to pay property taxes in equal payments over the year.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1829 [Martinez Fischer, Trey\(D\)](#) Relating to properly recorded diacritical marks in vital statistics records, driver's licenses, commercial driver's licenses, and personal identification certificates.

Remarks: MGV - Adds apostrophes to the definition of diacritical marks.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1832 [Rosenthal, Jon\(D\)](#) Relating to annual applications for ballots to be voted by mail.

Companions: [HB 1736](#) [Rosenthal, Jon \(F\)\(D\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is considered to be submitted for the year in which the application is submitted and the following calendar year if the first election in which the applicant is eligible to vote following the submission of the application is an election held on the uniform election date in November of an odd-numbered year; and the applicant indicates that the application is for the next

November election and the elections held in the following calendar year.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

[HB 1839](#) [Stephenson, Phil\(R\)](#) Relating to the age qualifications for a person elected or appointed to serve as a district judge.

Remarks: MGV - Caps age at 74 year old to qualify as an elected or appointed district judge

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

[HB 1841](#) [Lambert, Stan\(R\)](#) Relating to mental health services development plans as updated by local mental health authority groups.

Companions: [SB 454](#) Kolkhorst, Lois(R) (Identical)
1-26-21 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires regional LMHAs groups to meet quarterly to collaboratively work to reduce; costs to local governments, transportation to mh facilities, incarceration and ER visits. Requires annual plan.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

[HB 1843](#) [Hefner, Cole\(R\)](#) Relating to emergency possession of certain abandoned children by designated emergency infant care providers.

Companions: [SB 443](#) Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical)
1-26-21 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Adds a law enforcement agency as a designated emergency infant care provider.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

[HB 1857](#) [Anchia, Rafael\(D\)](#) Relating to the offense involving the carrying of handguns by license holders on the premises or property of certain recreational facilities.

Companions: [HB 1164](#) Anchia, Rafael(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: JBD - Prohibits licensed carry at a number of entertainment venues - arenas, stadiums, golf courses, theaters, etc.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

[HB 1858](#) [Rodriguez, Eddie\(D\)](#) Relating to the authority of the governing body of a taxing unit that adopts an exemption from ad valorem taxation of a percentage of the appraised value of an individual's residence homestead.

Companions: [SB 1072](#) Watson, Kirk(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: aph - establishes a \$25,000 ceiling for homestead exemptions for all taxing entities if approved by that taxing unit.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1859 Cortez, Philip(D) Relating to a study on the interoperability needs and technology readiness of behavioral health service providers in this state.

Companions: **SB 640** Menendez, Jose(D) (Identical)
2-10-21 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a study on interoperability and technology needs for behavioral health providers to include counties, LMHA's, State Hospital, Psychiatric clinics, county jails.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1862 Hefner, Cole(R) Relating to the authority of a county to restrict sex offenders from child safety zones in the unincorporated area of the county.

Companions: **SB 441** Hughes, Bryan(R) (Identical)
1-26-21 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Authorizes commissioners court to restrict a registered sex offender from going in, on, or within a specified distance of a child safety zone in unincorporated area.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1866 Lucio III, Eddie(D) Relating to certain reports created by the Texas Water Development Board.

Companions: **SB 669** Springer, Drew (F)(R) (Identical)
2-12-21 S Filed

Remarks: aph - tax exemption for property used by an open-enrollment charter school. Owner of the property has to affirm they will reduce the payments made by the school equal to the reduced amount.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1869 Burrows, Dustin(R) Relating to the definition of debt for the purposes of calculating certain ad valorem tax rates of a taxing unit.

Remarks: MGV - Limits debt to those approved at an election for property tax rate calculation

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HB 1871 Gates, Gary(R) Relating to the release and inclusion of extraterritorial jurisdiction by a municipality involving certain areas.

Companions: **HB 958** Miller, Rick(R) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: JBD - Permits residents of Fort Bend to petition Houston to be excluded from the city's ETJ.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

- HB 1876 Schofield, Mike(R) Relating to the annual base salaries of state judges and justices.
- Remarks:** MGV - Establishes annual base salary of district court judge to 82.5% of salary of supreme court justice other than chief justice.
- Last Action:** 2-11-21 H Filed
- HB 1877 Gates, Gary(R) Relating to county and municipal regulation of repairs to vacant residential buildings.
- Remarks:** MGV - Bars a county or city from adopting an ordinance to require an owner of a vacant residential building, when repairing damage, to improve the building's condition to a condition that is better than would have been legally acceptable before the damage occurred
- Last Action:** 2-11-21 H Filed
- HB 1878 Gates, Gary(R) Relating to municipal and county permitting requirements to conduct certain repairs on vacant residential buildings.
- Remarks:** MGV - Bars a county from adopting an order that requires an owner of a vacant residential building to obtain a permit to conduct repairs if the repairs are necessary to protect public safety or prevent further damage.
- Last Action:** 2-11-21 H Filed
- HB 1879 Schofield, Mike(R) Relating to establishing actual progress for the purpose of determining the right to repurchase real property from a condemning entity.
- Remarks:** MGV - Increase from two to three actions to establish actual progress for determining right to repurchase real property from a condemning entity.
- Last Action:** 2-11-21 H Filed
- HB 1880 Schofield, Mike(R) Relating to the annual base salary from the state of a district judge.
- Remarks:** MGV - Establishes salary from the state to a district court judge sum of annual base salary from preceding year and base salary multiplied by CPI.
- Last Action:** 2-11-21 H Filed
- HB 1881 Middleton, Mayes(R) Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of certain real property leased to and used by certain educational organizations.
- Remarks:** MGV - Creates exemption for person owning and leasing to an educational organization if portion of real property that is leased to an organization is used exclusively by the org and reasonably necessary.
- Last Action:** 2-11-21 H Filed
- HB 1882 Bucy, John(D) Relating to the days and hours during which the polls

are open for early voting by personal appearance.

Remarks: MGV - Requires registrar's office to remain open during hours that main early voting polling place is open. Allows for early voting period to start from the fourth day before election day. Allows for at least 12 hours on any weekday or Saturday or for at least 5 hours on any Sunday of extended early voting period. Makes conforming changes.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

 HB 1887 Schofield, Mike(R)

Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to issue debt to purchase or lease tangible personal property.

Remarks: MGV - Prohibits a political subdivision from issuing a public security to purchase or lease tangible personal property if the expected life of property ends before maturity date of the security

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

 HB 1888 Fierro, Art(D)

Relating to the authority of all governmental bodies to hold open and closed meetings by telephone or videoconference call.

Remarks: MGV - Permits a governmental body to hold an open or closed meeting by conference call. Removes requirement for a public hearing on a tax rate to be held inside a publicly owned building.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

 HB 1890 Schofield, Mike(R)

Relating to the date of the primary election runoff.

Remarks: MGV - Changes runoff primary date from fourth Tuesday in May to second Tuesday in April. Maintains date for election for federal office.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

 HB 1892 Schofield, Mike(R)

Relating to the form of an official carrier envelope for certain ballots voted by mail.

Remarks: WLJ - Restricts any political party indication on the envelope of a ballot to a partisan primary election.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

 HB 1893 Smithee, John(R)

Relating to the execution of a search warrant for taking a blood specimen from certain persons in certain intoxication offenses.

Companions: [SB 1447](#) Johnson, Nathan (F)(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Permits a warrant for a blood specimen on suspicion of an intoxicated offense to be executed in an adjacent county and by any law enforcement officer authorized to make an arrest.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1895](#) [Gates, Gary\(R\)](#) Relating to procedures in suits affecting the parent-child relationship involving the Department of Family and Protective Services and to reports of child abuse or neglect.

Remarks: MGV - Limits report of abuse or neglect of a child from a person to an officer, employee, or agent of a govt entity.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1899](#) [Beckley, Michelle\(D\)](#) Relating to the posting of voter information on Internet websites.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires all entities that call for an election to post the proclamation on their website if it exists, Requires the Governor/SOS to post it on their websites.

Requires any official forms re: elections to be posted on the authorities website.

Requires the hours of operation be posted on the registrars website, if it exists.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1901](#) [Beckley, Michelle\(D\)](#) Relating to renewing the application to receive ballots to be voted by mail for certain elections held during a calendar year.

Companions: [HB 704](#) Thompson, Senfronia(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Requires the county clerk to send mail in ballot to each voter who applies and qualifies for each election that occurs before December 31st. It must be signed by the applicant.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1902](#) [White, James\(R\)](#) Relating to a requirement that all components of a voting system used in an election in this state be manufactured, stored, and held in the United States.

Remarks: WLJ - Requires all components of a voting system be manufactured and stored in the US.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1904](#) [Harris, Cody\(R\)](#) Relating to the use of the water infrastructure fund.

Companions: [SB 531](#) Kolchorst, Lois(R) (Identical)
1-29-21 S Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Allows the water infrastructure fund to be used to make transfers to the financial assistance account of the Texas Water Development Fund II.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1906](#) [Herrero, Abel\(D\)](#) Relating to grants awarded to reimburse counties for the cost of monitoring defendants and victims in criminal cases involving family violence.

Companions: [HB 1662](#) Herrero, Abel(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

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

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1912](#) Wilson, Terry(R) Relating to air quality permits for aggregate production operations and concrete batch plants.

Remarks: WLJ - Creates additional permitting requirements for concrete batch applications.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1915](#) Turner, Chris(D) Relating to the minimum wage and overtime pay for employees.

Companions: [HB 4555](#) Turner, Chris(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: MGJ - Requires employer to pay each employee who is not exempt under FLSA at least fed minimum wage and requires 1 and 1/2 time for overtime.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1917](#) Turner, Chris(D) Relating to the minimum wage.

Companions: [HB 194](#) Reynolds, Ron(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[HB 3273](#) Gonzalez, Jessica (F)(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[HB 60](#) Reynolds, Ron(D) (Identical)
 11- 9-20 H Filed
[HB 731](#) Gonzalez, Jessica(D) (Identical)
 12- 3-20 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Raises minimum wage to \$15/hour. Eliminates tip credit.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1922](#) Thierry, Shawn(D) Relating to a state plan for responding to pandemics.

Companions: [SB 435](#) Blanco, Cesar (F)(D) (Identical)
 1-26-21 S Filed

Remarks: MGJ - Directs TDEM to prepare a pandemic response plan. Provisions may include communicating with governmental and private entities to facilitate coordination and collaboration.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

[HB 1923](#) Thierry, Shawn(D) Relating to a study and report by the comptroller on local and state supply chain disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Companions: SB 453 Blanco, Cesar (F)(D) (Identical)
1-26-21 S Filed

Remarks: MGV - Requires Comptroller to conduct study identifying and evaluating local and state supply chain disruptions caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

HB 1924 Schofield, Mike(R) Relating to the cancellation of a person's voter registration on notice that the person has acknowledged that the person is not a citizen.

Companions: SB 953 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: MJV-Repeals language requiring a voter registrar to verify citizenship for someone who has been excused from jury duty due to status as a non-citizen. Instead, the registrar will cancel a voter's registration immediately.

Last Action: 2-12-21 H Filed

HB 1933 Dutton, Harold(D) Relating to qualifications and registration of certain voters on parole or mandatory supervision.

Remarks: MGV - Permits individuals who have completed any term of incarceration to be eligible for voter registration

Last Action: 2-16-21 H Filed

HB 1938 Jetton, Jacey (F)(R) Relating to a grant program for law enforcement agencies to defray the cost of data storage for recordings created with body worn cameras.

Remarks: MGV - Creates grant program for body worn camera data storage funded by federal monies, gifts, grants, and donations.

Last Action: 2-16-21 H Filed

HB 1943 Crockett, Jasmine (F)(D) Relating to requiring law enforcement agencies to adopt policies prohibiting a peace officer from discharging a firearm at or in the direction of a moving vehicle.


Remarks: WLJ - Creates restrictions on when a law enforcement officer can discharge a firearm at a moving vehicle. Requires an LEA to adopt a policy regarding use of force against a moving vehicle. Creates a third degree felony for violating the policy.

Last Action: 2-16-21 H Filed

HB 1944 Crockett, Jasmine (F)(D) Relating to automatic expunction of arrest records and files for certain persons who are tried for an offense and subsequently acquitted.


Remarks: WLJ - Automatic expunction for anyone eligible for an expunction.

Last Action: 2-16-21 H Filed

 [HB 1945](#) [Crockett, Jasmine \(F\)\(D\)](#) Relating to voter education for residents of certain long-term care facilities.

Remarks: MGV - Requires Secretary of State to develop a voter education pamphlet for long-term care facility residents.


Last Action: 2-16-21 H Filed

 [HB 1951](#) [Patterson, Jared\(R\)](#) Relating to electricity pricing rules and operating procedures that eliminate or compensate for market distortion caused by certain federal tax credits.

Companions: [HB 2908](#) [Patterson, Jared \(F\)\(R\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - require the PUC and ERCOT to study how federal tax credits for wind production distort electric pricing within ERCOT. The study should also include consideration of peak price formation, negative pricing, ancillary services, congestion, reserve margins and transmission and distribution costs. Directs the PUC to draft rules to eliminate the effect of such renewable energy tax credits, and craft rules to eliminate the effect of the Operational Reserve Demand Curve.


Last Action: 2-17-21 H Filed

 [HJR 88](#) [Johnson, Jarvis\(D\)](#) Proposing a constitutional amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation the total market value of the residence homesteads of certain elderly persons and their surviving spouses.

Companions: [HJR 29](#) [Bohac, Dwayne\(R\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: MGV - Constitutional Amendment to provide exemption from property taxes of the homestead of an elderly homeowner who is 80 years or older and has received homestead exemptions on the homestead for at least the preceding 10 years.

Last Action: 2-10-21 H Filed

 [HJR 91](#) [Rodriguez, Eddie\(D\)](#) Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the governing body of a political subdivision that adopts an exemption from ad valorem taxation.

Companions: [HJR 129](#) [Capriglione, Giovanni\(R\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[SJR 44](#) [Watson, Kirk\(D\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[SJR 73](#) [West, Royce\(D\)](#) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - amends the Texas Constitution to authorize the governing body of a taxing unit that adopts a local option residence homestead exemption to set the minimum dollar amount of the exemption to which an individual is entitled in a tax year at a dollar amount greater than \$5,000.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HJR 92 Schofield, Mike(R)

Proposing a constitutional amendment concerning the right to repurchase real property acquired by a governmental entity through eminent domain.

Remarks: MGV - Constitutional amendment to entitle person to right to repurchase real property acquired by a gov entity via eminent domain.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

HJR 93 Schofield, Mike(R)

Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the taking of property by eminent domain for the purpose of transferring the property to a private entity.

Companions: SJR 61 Fallon, Pat (F)(R) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: JBD - Would prohibit eminent domain to take property and transfer it to a private entity.

Last Action: 2-11-21 H Filed

SB 638 West, Royce(D)

Relating to the definition of "indigent defense compensation expenditures" for purposes of the adjustment of a county's no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate to reflect increases in those expenditures.

Remarks: aph - allows the expenditures for a public defender's office to be exempted from NNRR calculations for the purposes of holding an election for increases.

Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

SB 639 Menendez, Jose(D)

Relating to remote meetings under the open meetings law.

Remarks: MGV - Allows a govt body to permit a member of the public to speak at a meeting by conference call. Allows a govt body to continue with a videoconference if a quorum remains audible and visible to each other, and ruling open portion of meeting to the public. Reduces requirement that videoconference may be held if quorum is physically present at one location to requiring member of the govt body presiding over the meeting is physically present. Requires videoconference notice to specify meeting location; indicate meeting will be held by videoconference; list each physical location where public may observe or participate; includes info for both audio-only and AV feeds; and if applicable, include instructions for public to speak. Requires the location where member of the govt body presiding over meeting to be open to public during open portions of meeting.

Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

SB 640 Menendez, Jose(D)







Relating to a study on the interoperability needs and technology readiness of behavioral health service providers in this state.

Companions: HB 1859 Cortez, Philip(D) (Identical)
2-11-21 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Requires a study on interoperability and technology

needs for behavioral health providers to include counties, LMHA's, State Hospital, Psychiatric clinics, county jails.


Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

-  SB 641 West, Royce(D) Relating to certain criminal offenses concerning the unlawful transfer or purchase of certain weapons.
- Companions:** [HB 1766](#) Anchia, Rafael(D) (Identical)
2-10-21 H Filed
- Remarks:** MGV - Creates offense of unlawful purchase of a firearm with intent to deliver to person intending to possess the firearm unlawfully, use the firearm unlawfully, or in commission of an unlawful act.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 S Filed
-  SB 642 West, Royce(D) Relating to the provision of mental health services for certain children at risk of relinquishment.
- Remarks:** MGV - Allows LMHA to refer a child directly to the relinquishment avoidance program without first contacting DFPS.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 S Filed
-  SB 643 Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to authorizing the imposition of additional fees for filing civil cases in Nueces County.
- Remarks:** WLJ - Creates a \$20 filing fee for civil cases in Nueces by order of commissioners court for a 12 month period.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 S Filed
-  SB 645 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the Texas natural gas vehicle grant program.
- Companions:** [HB 963](#) Lozano, Jose(R) (Identical)
1- 5-21 H Filed
- Remarks:** WLJ - Allows a used natural gas vehicle to qualify for the grant program.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 S Filed
-  SB 646 Schwertner, Charles(R) Relating to requiring county approval of a proposed purchase or conversion by a municipality of a property to house homeless individuals.
- Companions:** [HB 1803](#) Wilson, Terry(R) (Identical)
2-10-21 H Filed
- Remarks:** MGV - Prohibits a city from purchasing property to house homeless individuals unless approved by commissioners court.
- Last Action:** 2-10-21 S Filed
-  SB 649 West, Royce(D) Relating to automatic voter registration of students enrolled in public institutions of higher education.

Companions: [HB 508](#) Thierry, Shawn(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[SB 2280](#) West, Royce(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)

Remarks: WLJ - Requires voter registrars to automatically register all eligible university students to vote utilizing the university enrollment application.


Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

 [SB 650](#) [Campbell, Donna\(R\)](#) Relating to prohibited logistical support by a governmental entity for procurement of an abortion or the services of an abortion provider.

Companions: [HB 1173](#) Noble, Candy(R) (Identical)
 1-19-21 H Filed


Remarks: MGJ - Prohibits government entities from entering into a taxpayer resource transaction to provide logistical support for procurement of an abortion unless subject to federal law.

Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

 [SB 651](#) [Johnson, Nathan\(D\)](#) Relating to a pilot project to improve health care outcomes and reduce costs under Medicaid by providing participating recipients with enhanced case management and other services to address certain social determinants of


Remarks: WLJ - Requires HHSC Commissioner to seek a federal waiver for a 5 year pilot project to address housing instability, food insecurity, transportation, family violence issues.

Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

 [SB 652](#) [Eckhardt, Sarah \(F\)\(D\)](#) Relating to the criminal penalties for delivery and possession of marihuana and citations given for those offenses.

Remarks: JBD - Lowers penalties for marijuana offenses.

Last Action: 2-10-21 S Filed

 [SB 658](#) [Miles, Borris\(D\)](#) Relating to the offense of failure to comply with an order from a fire marshal and the authority of certain county employees to issue citations for certain violations.

Companions: [HB 3837](#) Coleman, Garnet(D) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[HB 1240](#) Coleman, Garnet(D) (Identical)
 1-21-21 H Filed

Remarks: JBD - Broadens offense of failure to comply with the order of a fire marshal. Will allow Harris County to designate employees authorized to issue citations for failure to comply with the order of a fire marshal.

Last Action: 2-11-21 S Filed

SB 664 Powell, Beverly(D) Relating to procedures for peace officers and emergency medical services personnel who respond to calls involving an alleged or suspected act of strangulation.

Remarks: MGV - Requires peace officer responding to an alleged or suspected strangulation to request assistance from EMS to evaluate and render aid to victim; use state-issued appropriate checklist; and provide victims with referral.

Last Action: 2-11-21 S Filed

SB 668 Menendez, Jose(D) Relating to the confidentiality of certain government operated utility customer information.

Companions: [HB 872](#) Bernal, Diego(D) (Identical)
12-18-20 H Filed

Remarks: MGV - Makes confidential govt operated utility customer information of services that have been discontinued or are eligible for disconnection; or is collected as part of an advanced metering system

Last Action: 2-11-21 S Filed

SB 669 Springer, Drew (F)(R) Relating to certain reports by the Texas Water Development Board.

Companions: [HB 1866](#) Lucio III, Eddie(D) (Identical)
2-11-21 H Filed

Remarks: aph - tax exemption for property used by an open-enrollment charter school. Owner of the property has to affirm they will reduce the payments made by the school equal to the reduced amount.

Last Action: 2-12-21 S Filed

SB 670 Springer, Drew (F)(R) Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of real property leased to and used by certain schools.

Companions: [HB 1022](#) Murphy, Jim(R) (Identical)
1- 7-21 H Filed

Remarks: aph - tax exemption for property used by an open-enrollment charter school. Owner of the property has to affirm they will reduce the payments made by the school equal to the reduced amount.

Last Action: 2-12-21 S Filed

SB 671 Seliger, Kel(R) Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of certain property owned by a charitable organization and used in providing housing and related services to certain homeless individuals.

Companions: [HB 349](#) Craddick, Tom(R) (Identical)
11- 9-20 H Filed

Remarks: WLJ - Extends the property tax exemption for charitable organization that provides services to people experiencing

homelessness to a bracketed city. (City w/ population of more than 100k-150k)

Last Action: 2-12-21 S Filed

 SJR 38 Springer, Drew (F)(R)

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation real property leased to certain schools organized and operated primarily for the purpose of engaging in educational func

- Companions:**
- [HJR 31](#) Murphy, Jim(R) (Refiled from 86R Session)
 - [SJR 74](#) Creighton, Brandon(R) (Refiled from 86R Session)
 - [HJR 57](#) Murphy, Jim(R) (Identical)
1- 7-21 H Filed

Remarks: aph - Enabling constitutional amendment for HB 1022 - tax exemption of property used by Charter schools.

Last Action: 2-12-21 S Filed

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