

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

**Wednesday
February 11, 2009**

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 161 **Carona/ Shapiro**
Recognizing February 11, 2009, as Richardson's Telecom Corridor Legislative Day at the State Capitol.

SR 180 **Williams/ Huffman**
Recognizing February 11, 2009, as Chambers County Day at the State Capitol.

SR 183 **Uresti**
Commending Saint Mary's University for their outstanding contributions to our state and nation.

SR 185

**Ellis/ Davis, Wendy/ Duncan/
Estes/ Gallegos/ et al.**

Congratulating the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on its centennial anniversary.

SR 189 **Zaffirini**
Recognizing February 11, 2009, as Bee County Day at the State Capitol.

Committee referral on the following:

SB 18 **Estes**
Relating to the use of eminent domain authority.
State Affairs

SB 201 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the participation of the medical school at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso in the Joint Admission Medical Program.
Higher Education

SB 202 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to provisional licensing of physicians to practice in underserved areas.
Health & Human Services

SB 203 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the reporting of MRSA infection rates in hospitals.
Health & Human Services

SB 204 **Shapleigh**
Relating to a prohibition of foods containing trans fat; providing a criminal penalty.
Health & Human Services

SB 205 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the Texas Partnership for Children in Nature.
Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 206 **Shapleigh**
Relating to the reporting of information concerning the cancellation or rescission of health benefit plans.
State Affairs

SB 207 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to prohibition of certain compensation based on rescinding, canceling, or limiting coverage under health benefit plans.
State Affairs

SB 208 **Shapleigh**
Relating to the regulation of the use of human cells and tissue, including a ban on human cloning; providing penalties.
Health & Human Services

SB 209 **Shapleigh**
Relating to the minimum salary schedule for certain public school employees.
Education

SB 210 **Shapleigh**
Relating to certain prohibited lottery games.
State Affairs

SB 211 **Shapleigh**
Relating to a requirement that an electric utility meet certain energy efficiency goals before receiving a rate increase.
Business & Commerce

SB 212 **Shapleigh**
Relating to the sale or transport of certain desert plants; providing a penalty.
Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 213 **Shapleigh**
Relating to a manifest system to record the transportation of certain liquid wastes.
Natural Resources

SB 215 **Van de Putte**
Relating to the sale of instructional materials to students of public institutions of higher education.
Higher Education

SB 216 **Carona**
Relating to the permissible uses of the state highway fund.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 217 **Carona**
Relating to the rate of the state gasoline tax and diesel fuel taxes.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 218 **Nichols**
Relating to the limitation on increases in the appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.
Finance

SB 219 **Nichols**
Relating to prohibiting the use of eminent domain to take private property for recreational purposes.
State Affairs

SB 220 **Nichols**
Relating to the conversion of a nontolled state highway or segment of the state highway system to a toll project.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 221 **Nichols**
Relating to the requirement that retail water and utility services maintain auxiliary generators for use during an extended power outage.
Natural Resources

SB 222 **West**
Relating to arbitration and arbitration agreements.
Jurisprudence

SB 223 **West**
Relating to allowing a person who successfully completes a term of deferred adjudication community supervision to be eligible for a pardon.
Criminal Justice

SB 224 **West**
 Relating to the power of a licensing authority to revoke, suspend, or deny a license on the basis of certain criminal proceedings.
Criminal Justice

SB 225 **West/ et al.**
 Relating to the classifications used in rating personal automobile insurance.
Business & Commerce

SB 226 **West**
 Relating to student members of the board of regents of a state university system or a state university.
Higher Education

SB 227 **West**
 Relating to a fee on certain lottery prizes to fund the TEXAS grant program.
Finance

SB 228 **West**
 Relating to an offense committed against a homeless person because of bias or prejudice.
Criminal Justice

SB 229 **West**
 Relating to the procurement methods authorized for public projects by certain local governments.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 230 **West**
 Relating to the termination of the duty to pay child support based on the results of genetic testing excluding the obligor as the child's biological father.
Jurisprudence

SB 231 **West**
 Relating to the adoption of a child who has an adjudicated, presumed, or acknowledged father.
Jurisprudence

SB 232 **West**
 Relating to procedures for rescinding or challenging an acknowledgment or denial of paternity.
Jurisprudence

SB 233 **West**
 Relating to the time limitation for certain proceedings to adjudicate paternity.
Jurisprudence

SB 234 **West**
 Relating to real property subject to restrictive covenants.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 235 **West**
 Relating to prohibiting a restrictive covenant granting a right of first refusal to a property owners' association in certain circumstances.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 236 **West**
 Relating to the regulation of solar energy devices by a property owners' association.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 237 **West**
 Relating to certain procedures and requirements for the operation of property owners' associations.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 238 **West**
 Relating to the availability of a property owners' association's books and records.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 239 **West**
 Relating to notice requirements in certain enforcement actions initiated by property owners' associations.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 240 **West**
 Relating to the enforcement of deed restrictions.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 241 **West**
 Relating to procedures required for the foreclosure of a property owners' association's assessment lien.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 242 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the regulation of a person who offers, services, or brokers a deferred presentment transaction.
Business & Commerce

SB 243 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the prohibition on participating in the lending of credit by a credit services organization that assists a borrower in obtaining the credit.
Business & Commerce

SB 244 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to restrictions on the authority of certain persons to act as or on behalf of, or associate with, a lender.
Business & Commerce

SB 245 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the use of direct recording electronic voting systems.
State Affairs

SB 246 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to limits on political contributions and direct campaign expenditures by individuals, partnerships, partners, and limited liability companies; providing civil and criminal penalties.
State Affairs

SB 247 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the computation of the cost of goods sold for franchise tax purposes by certain taxable entities.
Finance

SB 248 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the interest and fees that may be charged for certain consumer loans; providing a criminal penalty.
Business & Commerce

SB 249 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to counties eligible to impose an optional fee on registration of a vehicle to fund transportation projects.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 250 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to a report on use of money from the Texas Enterprise Fund.
Economic Development

SB 251 **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the posting of certain business tax incentives on Internet websites maintained by certain political subdivisions.
Economic Development

SB 252 **Estes**
 Relating to the authority of a municipality with a population of less than 10,000 to enter into an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent to an area in the municipality that has been approved for funding under certain revitalization or redevelopment programs to prohibit ad valorem tax increases on the owner's property for a limited period.
Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 253 **Estes**
Relating to the amount of a county expenditure for which competitive bidding is required.
Intergovernmental Relations

SB 254 **Estes**
Relating to the exemption of volunteer fire departments from certain motor fuel taxes.
Finance

SB 255 **Estes**
Relating to designation of Midwestern State University as a public liberal arts university.
Higher Education

SB 256 **Estes**
Relating to an intercollegiate athletics fee at Midwestern State University.
Higher Education

SB 257 **Estes**
Relating to the sale or delivery of salvia divinorum to a child; providing a penalty.
Criminal Justice

SB 258 **Shapleigh**
Relating to a requirement that certain appraisal districts provide for electronic filing of and electronic communications regarding a protest of appraised value by the owner of a residence homestead.
Finance

SB 259 **Ellis**
Relating to restrictions on the location and operation of concrete crushing facilities.
Natural Resources

SB 260 **Ellis**
Relating to the disclosure of certain information regarding, and the admissibility and use of testimony by, a witness for the state in a criminal case.
Criminal Justice

SB 261 **Deuell/ et al.**
Relating to the taking of a specimen of the breath or blood of a person arrested for an intoxication offense under certain circumstances.
Criminal Justice

SB 262 **Shapiro**
Relating to an exemption from public insurance adjuster license requirements for certain persons.
Business & Commerce

SB 263 **Carona**
Relating to the issuance by the Texas Transportation Commission of general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects.
Finance

SB 264 **Hinojosa**
Relating to prior approval of residential property insurance rates of certain insurers.
Business & Commerce

SB 265 **Hinojosa/ et al.**
Relating to benefits and protections for certain residential electric customers.
Business & Commerce

SB 266 **Hinojosa**
Relating to an open document format for electronic state documents and the sharing of information electronically among state agencies.
Government Organization

SB 267 **Hinojosa/ et al.**
Relating to design, construction, and renovation standards for state buildings and facilities.
Natural Resources

SB 268 **Harris**
Relating to the cancellation of the voter registrations of persons who are not United States citizens.
State Affairs

SB 269 **Harris**
Relating to use of electronically readable information on a driver's license or personal identification certificate in connection with the over-the-counter sale of ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or norpseudoephedrine; providing a criminal penalty.
Criminal Justice

SB 270 **Harris**
Relating to the reporting of income-producing contracts or programs entered into or operated by school districts.
Education

SB 271 **Harris**
Relating to the appointment of a successor guardian for certain wards adjudicated as totally incapacitated.
Jurisprudence

SB 272 **Harris/ Nelson**
Relating to the creation of an additional judicial district composed of Tarrant County.
Jurisprudence

SB 273 **Nichols**
Relating to testing requirements for certain commercial injection wells.
Natural Resources

SB 274 **Nichols**
Relating to limitations on the location of injection wells.
Natural Resources

SB 275 **Nichols**
Relating to the application of new requirements for commercial underground injection control wells to be adopted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
Natural Resources

SB 276 **Patrick, Dan**
Relating to the determination of the appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.
Finance

SB 277 **Nelson**
Relating to the Department of Family and Protective Services, including protective services and investigations of alleged abuse, neglect, or exploitation for certain adults who are elderly or disabled; providing a criminal penalty.
Health & Human Services

SB 278 **Nelson/ Harris/ et al.**
Relating to appropriations to the Department of State Health Services for the prevention and treatment of substance abuse.
Finance

SB 279 **Nelson**
Relating to the modification of an order establishing the conservatorship of a child or providing for the possession of or access to a child based on military deployment.
Jurisprudence

SB 280 **Nelson/ et al.**
Relating to the exception from required public disclosure of certain personal information of public employees and public officials.
State Affairs

SB 281 **Nelson**
Relating to the confidentiality of the home address information of the spouses of certain federal judges and certain state judges.
State Affairs

SB 282 **Nelson**
Relating to grant programs to provide nutrition education to children.
Education

SB 283 **Nelson/ et al.**
Relating to the membership and activities of local school health advisory councils.
Education

SB 284 **Nelson**
Relating to human body and anatomical specimen donation.
Health & Human Services

SB 285 **Nelson**
Relating to the punishment for violating certain orders requiring the removal of the alleged perpetrator from the home of an abused child.
Criminal Justice

SB 286 **Nelson**
Relating to a health passport for Medicaid recipients.
Health & Human Services

SB 287 **Nelson**
Relating to the use of electronic prescribing data transmission systems under the state Medicaid program.
Health & Human Services

SB 288 **Nelson**
Relating to the review of a Medicaid recipient's electronic medication history by a Medicaid provider.
Health & Human Services

SB 289 **Nelson**
Relating to ensuring that health information technology used in the medical assistance and child health plan programs conforms to certain standards.
Health & Human Services

SB 290 **Nelson**
Relating to the creation and implementation of the health professional education grant program.
Higher Education

SB 291 **Nelson**
Relating to hepatitis B vaccination for students enrolled in certain health-related courses of study at an institution of higher education.
Health & Human Services

SB 292 **Nelson**
Relating to the requirement that licensed physicians provide emergency contact information to the Texas Medical Board.
Health & Human Services

SB 293 **Carona**
Relating to the pledge of certain revenue of a regional transportation authority to the payment of bonds.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 294 **Hinojosa**
Relating to optional fees on the registration of a vehicle imposed by a county.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 295 **West**
Relating to a project that may be undertaken by a development corporation to promote higher education opportunities in this state.
Economic Development

- SB 296** **West/ et al.**
 Relating to the disclosure of certain payments or other transfers of value by manufacturers of prescription drugs, medical devices, and medical supplies; providing a penalty.
State Affairs
- SB 297** **Van de Putte/ Ogden/ et al.**
 Relating to resident tuition rates at public institutions of higher education for certain veterans and their spouses and children.
Higher Education
- SB 298** **Carona**
 Relating to the authority of the Texas Department of Public Safety and certain local law enforcement agencies to establish a checkpoint on a highway or street to determine whether persons are driving while intoxicated.
Transportation & Homeland Security
- SB 299** **Patrick, Dan**
 Relating to the limitation on increases in the appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.
Finance
- SB 300** **Patrick, Dan**
 Relating to eliminating certain mandates on school districts.
Education
- SB 301** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to caseload assignments for employees of the Department of Family and Protective Services.
Health & Human Services
- SB 302** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the implementation of an in-home caregiver demonstration project under the Medicaid program.
Health & Human Services
- SB 303** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to application for and cancellation or rescission of health benefit plan coverage.
State Affairs
- SB 304** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to information obtained under the public information law for legislative purposes that indicates a crime has been committed by a governmental body or a governmental officer or employee.
State Affairs
- SB 305** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to an online list of work-study employment opportunities available to students at a public institution of higher education.
Higher Education
- SB 306** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the acknowledgment of a candidate's authorization of political advertising.
State Affairs
- SB 307** **Shapleigh**
 Relating to the regulation of telephone calls made by certain persons for political advertising purposes; providing a criminal penalty.
State Affairs
- SB 308** **Patrick, Dan**
 Relating to the number of charters the State Board of Education may grant for open-enrollment charter schools.
Education

SB 309 **Jackson, Mike**

Relating to the licensing and regulation of amusement redemption machines at certain locations; providing criminal penalties.

State Affairs

SB 310 **Jackson, Mike**

Relating to the forfeiture of property related to certain gambling offenses.

State Affairs

SB 311 **Jackson, Mike**

Relating to the criminal offenses applicable to gambling and gambling devices.

Criminal Justice

SB 312 **Wentworth**

Relating to the regulation and certification of medical examiners and the conduct of autopsy and inquest investigations by justices of the peace and medical examiners.

Jurisprudence

SB 313 Wentworth

Relating to the extension of the term of a reinvestment zone created under the Tax Increment Financing Act.

Economic Development

SB 314 Wentworth

Relating to the treatment of longevity pay that is paid to certain state judges and justices.

Jurisprudence

SB 315 **Wentworth**

Relating to the reapportionment of congressional districts and the creation, function, and duties of the Texas Congressional Redistricting Commission.

State Affairs

SB 316 Wentworth

Relating to the establishment of railroad quiet zones outside the boundaries of certain municipalities.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 317

Relating to the elimination of straight-party voting.

State Affairs

SB 318 **Wentworth**

Relating to the order of succession to the office of governor.

Administration

SB 319 **Wentworth**

Relating to providing notice to devisees under a decedent's will.

Jurisprudence

SB 320

Relating to the qualifications for office of justice of the peace in certain counties.

Jurisprudence

SB 321 **Shapleigh**

Relating to the filing and posting on the Internet of reports of political contributions and expenditures required in connection with the office of member of the board of trustees of a school district.

State Affairs

SB 322 **Shapleigh**

Relating to the use of technology by public schools.

Education

SB 323 **Shapleigh**

Relating to the franchise tax liability of certain taxable entities during an initial period of operation.

Finance

SB 324 **Shapleigh**
Relating to the tuition rebate program for certain undergraduate students at general academic teaching institutions.
Higher Education

SB 325 **Shapleigh**
Relating to providing training in personal financial literacy instruction for public school teachers.
Education

SB 327 **Van de Putte**
Relating to a business's duty to protect sensitive personal information contained in its customer records.
Business & Commerce

SB 328 **Carona**
Relating to the civil and criminal consequences of operating a motor vehicle or a watercraft while intoxicated or under the influence of alcohol.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 329 **Carona**
Relating to the automatic suspension of the driver's license of a person convicted of certain organized crime offenses; providing penalties.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 330 **Carona**
Relating to the punishment for unlawful carrying of weapons.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 331 **Carona**
Relating to access to certain information under the public information law concerning public officers and employees.
State Affairs

SB 332 **Carona**
Relating to the adjudication of certain gang-related delinquent conduct.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 333 **Carona**
Relating to the retention by a county or municipality of certain court costs for maintaining and supporting a certified breath alcohol testing program.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 334 **Carona**
Relating to the repeal of the authority of the Texas Department of Transportation to regulate air carriers.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 335 **Shapleigh**
Relating to the requirement that matching funds be provided by school districts and open-enrollment charter schools under the educator excellence awards program.
Education

SB 336 **Deuell**
Relating to closing state schools.
Health & Human Services

SB 337 **Deuell**
Relating to the designation of a segment of Interstate Highway 30 in Hunt County as the Martin Luther King, Jr., Freeway.
Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 338 **Van de Putte**
Relating to requirements for businesses that offer plastic checkout bags to customers; providing civil and administrative penalties.
Business & Commerce

- SB 339** **Gallegos**
Relating to uniform reentry procedures for essential personnel entering an area evacuated during a disaster or other emergency.
S/C on Flooding & Evacuations
- SB 340** **Gallegos**
Relating to temporary housing and emergency shelters provided by a political subdivision for disaster victims.
S/C on Flooding & Evacuations
- SB 341** **Wentworth**
Relating to changing the name of the Railroad Commission of Texas to the Texas Energy Commission.
Natural Resources
- SB 342** **Nelson**
Relating to creating a presumption regarding the possession of a controlled substance by a person who gives birth to a child who tests positive for the substance.
Criminal Justice
- SB 343** **Nelson**
Relating to the creation of an advisory committee to study the retail availability of healthy foods in certain underserved areas of this state.
Health & Human Services
- SB 344** **Nelson**
Relating to the establishment of an advisory committee to study the acceptance at farmers markets of food stamps and benefits under the women, infants, and children supplemental food program.
Agriculture & Rural Affairs
- SB 345** **Nelson**
Relating to screening health care personnel of home and community support services agencies for tuberculosis.
Health & Human Services
- SB 346** **Nelson**
Relating to information submitted to and maintained in the immunization registry after an individual becomes an adult.
Health & Human Services
- SB 347** **Nelson**
Relating to the receipt and release of immunization information by the immunization registry in connection with a disaster.
Health & Human Services
- SB 348** **Carona**
Relating to the Texas Transportation Commission's authority to establish advisory committees.
Transportation & Homeland Security
- SB 349** **Shapleigh**
Relating to the period of continuous eligibility for the medical assistance program.
Health & Human Services
- SB 350** **Shapleigh**
Relating to the application for and continuation of certain health benefit plan coverage; providing a civil penalty.
State Affairs