

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

**Tuesday
April 7, 2009**

The Senate suspended the necessary rules to consider and finally pass:

SB 482 (LC) **Ellis/ Shapiro/ et al.**
Relating to the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission.

SB 638 (LC) **Nichols**
Relating to the collateralization of certain public funds; providing administrative penalties.
1 Floor Amendment

SB 872 (CS) (LC) **Lucio/ et al.**
Relating to continued health insurance coverage for eligible survivors of certain public servants killed in the line of duty.

SB 1003 **Deuell**
Relating to the abolishment of the Office of State-Federal Relations as an independent agency and the transfer of the duties and functions of that agency to the office of the governor.

SB 1410 (LC) **Jackson, Mike**
Relating to the licensing and regulation of plumbers.

SB 2015 (CS) (LC) **Watson**
Relating to certain metropolitan rapid transit authorities.

The Senate suspended the regular order, read second time and passed to engrossment:

SB 1389 (CS) (LC) **Wentworth**
Relating to the penalty for the offense of reckless driving.
1 Floor Amendment

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 482 **Williams/ Nichols**
Recognizing April 7, 2009, as Montgomery County Day at the State Capitol.

SR 548 **Harris/ Averitt/ Davis, Wendy**
Congratulating the Mansfield Summit High School girls' basketball team for winning the University Interscholastic League Class 5A state basketball championship.

SR 565 **Shapiro/ Carona/ Deuell/ Harris/
West**
Commending Dr. Kern Wildenthal for his longtime commitment to the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

SR 576 **Uresti**
Recognizing April 2009 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

SR 585 **Van de Putte**
Recognizing April 2009 as the Month of the Military Child.

SCR 56 **Whitmire**
Granting the legislature permission to adjourn for more than three days during the period beginning on Thursday, April 9, 2009, and ending on Tuesday, April 14, 2009.

HCR 123 **Straus/ Homer** **SP: Ellis**
Honoring the recipients of the 2009 Texas Medal of Arts Awards.

Committee referral on the following:

SB 104

Ellis

Relating to a limitation on the amount of tuition charged by public institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 105

**Hinojosa/ Deuell/ Fraser/
Gallegos/ Harris/ et al.**

Relating to limitations on increases in fees and designated tuition charged by public institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 191

Shapleigh

Relating to tuition and fee exemptions for undergraduate students eligible for automatic admission to general academic teaching institutions.

Higher Education

SB 214

Van de Putte

Relating to limitations on increases in the total amount of tuition charged by public institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 667

Shapleigh

Relating to student Internet access to financial and academic information maintained by public institutions of higher education and to a fixed tuition rate provided by certain institutions of higher education to students for satisfactory academic performance.

Higher Education

SB 1346

Davis, Wendy

Relating to limitations on increases in the total amount of tuition charged by public institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

HB 71

**Corte/ Branch/ Chavez/ Bohac/
Miller, Sid/ et al.**

Relating to voting by military personnel serving overseas, including the provision of ballots by electronic mail to military personnel, their spouses, and dependents and to identification requirements applicable to military personnel serving in combat zones.

State Affairs

HB 394

**Rose/ Strama/ Rodriguez/ Harless/
Parker/ et al.**

Relating to use of the money from the Texas Enterprise Fund to benefit small businesses.

Economic Development

HB 405

Harless

Relating to the authority of an animal control officer to carry a bite prevention stick in the performance of official duties.

Criminal Justice

HB 448

Hopson

Relating to requiring the Department of State Health Services to implement a provider choice system.

Health & Human Services

HB 621

Elkins

Relating to public improvement districts designated by a county or municipality.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 670

**Martinez Fischer/ Pitts/ Gallego/
Berman/ Lucio III/ et al.**

Relating to a qualified privilege of a journalist not to testify.

Jurisprudence

HB 753 **Gonzalez Toureilles**
Relating to the date for electing directors of the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District.
Natural Resources

HB 762 **Creighton**
Relating to filing a wage claim.
Business & Commerce

HB 806 **Gallego/ Martinez, "Mando"/
Coleman/ Rodriguez/ Smithee/
et al.**
Relating to health benefit plan coverage for certain prosthetic devices, orthotic devices, and related services.
State Affairs

HB 873 **Dukes/ Pitts/ McCall/ Cook/
Homer/ et al.**
Relating to incentives for the film, television, video, and digital interactive media production industries.
Economic Development

HB 982 **Thompson/ Hamilton/ et al.**
Relating to the imposition of a tax on the gross receipts from admissions fees charged by sexually oriented businesses.
Criminal Justice

HB 1595 **King, Tracy O./ Alonzo/
Leibowitz**
Relating to a documented member of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas hunting certain deer.
Natural Resources

HB 1637 **Turner, Chris/ Chavez/ Edwards/
et al.**
Relating to normal weekly hours of work under the shared work unemployment compensation program.
Economic Development

HB 1671 **Crownover/ Naishtat/ Coleman/
Zerwas/ Gonzalez Toureilles/ et al.**
Relating to mutual aid agreements for newborn screening laboratory services.
Health & Human Services

HB 1758 **Thompson**
Relating to the requirements for a plumber's apprentice to obtain a plumber's license.
Business & Commerce

HB 1830 **Corte/ Edwards**
Relating to information technology security practices of state agencies.
Government Organization

HB 1871 **Smith, Wayne**
Relating to the use of Texas Department of Transportation facilities or property to serve a project aiding security in a ship channel security district.
Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 1975 **Hancock**
Relating to refund of excess unearned premiums by insurance premium finance companies.
Business & Commerce

HB 2208 **Gonzales/ Lucio III**
Relating to the calculation of current market value of certain water rights by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority.
Natural Resources

HB 2433 **Smith, Wayne**
Relating to the powers of certain freight rail districts.
Transportation & Homeland Security

Smith, Wayne

Transportation & Homeland Security

Kuempel

Business & Commerce

(CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
(LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR