

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

Monday

February 25, 2013

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 275 **West**
Recognizing February 25, 2013, as Alpha Kappa Alpha South Central Region Day at the State Capitol.

SR 282 **Van de Putte/ Campbell/ Uresti/
Zaffirini**
Recognizing Saint Mary's University for its outstanding service to the City of San Antonio and the State of Texas.

SR 295 **Deuell**
Recognizing February 25, 2013, as Rockwall County Day at the State Capitol.

SR 299 **Williams**
Recognizing the 2012 Team Texas Youth Baseball Team.

SR 303 **Ellis**
Recognizing February 25, 2013, as Texas Southern University Day at the State Capitol.

Committee referral on the following:

SB 15 **Seliger/ Deuell/ Duncan/ Ellis/ Eltife/ et al.**

Relating to the duties and responsibilities of members of governing boards of university systems and institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 201 **Birdwell/ Nichols**
Relating to the continuation and functions of the State Preservation Board.

Administration

SB 202 **Huffman/ Nichols**
Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Commission on the Arts.
Government Organization

SB 203 **Whitmire/ Ellis/ Huffman/ Nichols/ Patrick/ et al**

Nichols, Patrick, et al.

SB 204 **Nichols**
Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers; changing a fee.
Business & Commerce

SB 205 **Nichols**
Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Board of Architectural Examiners; changing certain fees.

SB 206 Nielson

Relating to the elimination of the licensing and registration requirements for ringside physicians and timekeepers for combative sports events.

Business & Commerce

SB 619

Taylor

Relating to exclusion of land from certain water districts that fail to provide service to the land.

Natural Resources

SB 620

Van de Putte

Relating to student loan repayment assistance for speech-language pathologists or audiologists employed by a public school or as faculty members of certain graduate programs at public institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 621

Williams

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 140; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 622

Williams

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 106; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 623

Williams

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 138; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 624

Williams

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 137; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 625

Williams

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 139; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 626

Watson

Relating to fees collected by the Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority.

Finance

SB 627

Watson

Relating to the form of the Legislative Budget Board's report of equalized funding elements to the commissioner of education and the legislature.

Finance

SB 628

Watson

Relating to the creation of regional emergency communications districts; authorizing the issuance of bonds; authorizing a fee.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 629

Watson

Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds for The University of Texas at Austin.

Finance

SB 630

Carona

Relating to certain obligations of and limitations on residential landlords.

Business & Commerce

SB 631

Carona

Relating to certain statutory insurance deposit requirements.

Business & Commerce

SB 632

Carona

Relating to contracts between dentists, optometrists, or therapeutic optometrists and health maintenance organizations or insurers.

State Affairs

SB 633

Ellis/ Patrick

Relating to liability of certain electric utilities that allow certain uses of land that the electric utility owns, occupies, or leases.

State Affairs

SB 634

Davis

Relating to regulating faulty on-site sewage disposal systems in the unincorporated areas of a county as a public nuisance; providing a criminal penalty.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 635

Duncan

Relating to the distribution of certain civil penalties and civil restitution received by the attorney general.

State Affairs

SB 636

Paxton

Relating to public information regarding bonds and other obligations issued by the state and local governments.

Open Government

SB 637

Paxton

Relating to notice and proposition language requirements for bond approval elections held by political subdivisions.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 638

Paxton

Relating to performance and payment security for certain comprehensive development agreements.

Transportation

SB 639

Carona

Relating to the manufacture, distribution, and sale of alcoholic beverages.

Business & Commerce

SB 640

Van de Putte

Relating to the designation of a regular location for purposes of obtaining transportation to and from a child's public school.

Education

SB 641

Duncan

Relating to the election and authority of the board of directors of the McCulloch County Hospital District.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 642

Van de Putte

Relating to the sale of distilled spirits to the holder of an industrial permit.

Business & Commerce

SB 643

Deuell

Relating to a supplemental payment for retirees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and the unfunded actuarial liabilities allowed under that system.

State Affairs

SB 644

Huffman

Relating to the creation of a standard request form for prior authorization of prescription drug benefits.

State Affairs

SB 645

Ellis

Relating to water quality improvement and pollution reduction through beverage container recycling incentives; assessing a fee; providing penalties.

Finance

SB 646

Deuell

Relating to court-ordered outpatient mental health services.

Health & Human Services

SB 647

Rodríguez

Relating to guardianships, including the assessment and payment of attorney's fees and other court costs in guardianships, and to court-created management trusts for persons who have physical disabilities or who are incapacitated.

Jurisprudence

SB 648

Rodríguez

Relating to trusts.

Jurisprudence

SB 649

Rodríguez

Relating to the exemption of certain property from seizure by creditors.

Business & Commerce

SB 650

Rodríguez

Relating to the continuation of title insurance coverage of certain transferred property.

Business & Commerce

SB 651

Rodríguez

Relating to a medical power of attorney.

Jurisprudence

SB 652

Van de Putte

Relating to the transfer of alcoholic beverages for manufacturing purposes between certain permit and license holders.

Business & Commerce

SB 653

Zaffirini

Relating to the composition and functions of the Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation.

Higher Education

SB 654

West

Relating to the enforcement of water conservation and animal care and control ordinances of a municipality by civil action or quasi-judicial enforcement; providing civil penalties.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 655

Birdwell

Relating to the exercise of the power of eminent domain by certain authorized entities.

State Affairs

SB 656

Paxton

Relating to providing transparency in the taxing and budgeting process of certain local governments.

Open Government

SB 657

Paxton

Relating to procedural requirements for adopting and filing a school district budget and voting requirements for setting a property tax rate by the governing body of a taxing unit, including a school district.

Finance

SB 658

Deuell

Relating to the imposition and collection of a penalty for fraudulently obtaining unemployment compensation benefits.

Economic Development

SB 659

West

Relating to debarment of certain persons from participating in programs administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 660 West

Relating to assessment collection in certain public improvement districts.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 661 Carona

Relating to cemeteries and perpetual care cemetery corporations; creating an offense.

Business & Commerce

SB 662 Carona

Relating to the composition of the drought preparedness council.

Natural Resources

SB 663 Davis/ et al.

Relating to the amount of unclaimed lottery prize money to be deposited in the fund for veterans' assistance.

State Affairs

SB 664 Davis/ Campbell/ Van de Putte

Relating to the allocation of certain grants from the fund for veterans' assistance.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 665 Nichols/ Patrick

Relating to a school district's recognition of and education regarding traditional winter celebrations.

Education

SB 666 Seliger

Relating to public school educator preparation and alternative certification programs.

Education

SB 667 Seliger

Relating to a study on the feasibility of requiring certain researchers to make research papers available to the public.

Open Government

SB 668 Seliger

Relating to the reports and recommendations of the Water Conservation Advisory Council.

Natural Resources

SB 669 Whitmire

Relating to the manner in which a bail bond or personal bond is forfeited and circumstances under which a final judgment of forfeiture may be reformed.

Criminal Justice

SB 670 Whitmire

Relating to the copying of certain records and files relating to a child who is a party to a juvenile proceeding.

Criminal Justice

SB 671 Carona

Relating to the deregulation of weather modification operations.

Agriculture, Rural Affairs & Homeland Security

SB 672 Carona

Relating to the regulation of industrialized housing and buildings.

Business & Commerce

SB 673 Carona

Relating to the requirements for elevators, escalators, and related equipment; providing penalties.

Business & Commerce

SB 674 Seliger

Relating to election through secret ballot of a labor union as the exclusive bargaining representative.
State Affairs

SB 675 Hancock

Relating to certain advance directives and health care and treatment decisions.

Health & Human Services

SB 676 Carona

Relating to the classification of certain construction workers and the eligibility of those workers for unemployment benefits; providing penalties.

Economic Development

SB 677 Paxton/ Estes

Relating to the electronic recording of proceedings in a statutory probate court in Collin County.

Jurisprudence

SB 678 Paxton

Relating to money allocated under the federal-aid highway program.

Finance

SB 679 Duncan

Relating to evidence in a civil action concerning the provision and cost of certain services.

State Affairs

SB 680 West

Relating to a pilot program to improve student loan default rates and financial aid literacy among postsecondary students.

Higher Education

SB 681 West

Relating to a pilot program for a three-year high school diploma plan and cost-neutral expansion of full-day prekindergarten programs.

Education

SB 682 Campbell

Relating to reimbursement for services provided by advanced practice nurses and physician assistants under the Medicaid program.

Health & Human Services

SB 683 Birdwell

Relating to the election of members of the board of directors of the Benbrook Water Authority.

Natural Resources

SB 684 Deuell

Relating to a physical assessment of students by a public school.

Education

SB 685 Carona

Relating to the registration of token trailers.

Transportation

SB 686 Huffman/ et al.

Relating to the change of the name of the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

Criminal Justice

SB 687 Huffman

Relating to certain fees associated with the installation and monitoring of an ethyl alcohol testing device as a condition of bond.

Criminal Justice

SB 688 Huffman

Relating to the transfer of certain inmates to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice following pronouncement of the inmate's sentence.

Criminal Justice

SB 689

Ellis

Relating to excluding certain short-term employment from unemployment compensation chargebacks and grounds for benefit disqualification.

Economic Development

SB 690

Ellis

Relating to the creation of Harris County Improvement District No. 23; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 691

Eltife

Relating to an intercollegiate athletics fee at Texas A&M University--Texarkana.

Higher Education

SB 692

Carona

Relating to the filing by electronic mail of financial disclosures by certain county officers, county employees, or candidates for county office.

State Affairs

SB 693

Carona

Relating to clarifying liability and damages for certain liens placed on and certain court records of real property.

State Affairs

SB 694

Carona

Relating to the authority of the Texas Forensic Science Commission to conduct investigations of forensic analyses conducted in connection with a civil proceeding.

State Affairs

SB 695

Campbell

Relating to the application of foreign laws and foreign forum selection in this state.

State Affairs

SB 696

Duncan

Relating to the board of the Lubbock Reese Development Authority.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 697

Carona

Relating to the qualifications of certain nonresident individuals to hold a surplus lines agent license.

Business & Commerce

SB 698

Carona

Relating to the refund of unearned premium for a personal automobile or residential property insurance policy.

Business & Commerce

SB 699

Carona

Relating to the contents of an assumed name certificate filed by certain businesses or professionals.

Business & Commerce

SB 700

Hegar

Relating to energy and water management planning and reporting by state agencies and institutions of higher education.

Government Organization

SB 701

Hegar

Relating to a defense to prosecution for criminal trespass.

Criminal Justice

SB 702

Hegar

Relating to certified and insured prescribed burn managers.

Natural Resources

SB 703

Taylor

Relating to the powers and duties of the Brazoria County Municipal Utility District No. 39; providing authority to impose a tax or fee and issue bonds.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 704 Taylor

Relating to the powers and duties of the Brazoria County Municipal Utility District No. 35; providing authority to impose a tax or fee and issue bonds.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 705 Taylor

Relating to the powers and duties of the Brazoria County Municipal Utility District No. 40; providing authority to impose taxes and fees and issue bonds.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 707 Paxton

Relating to the definition of intoxicated for purposes of certain weapons offenses.

Criminal Justice

SB 708 Paxton

Relating to the designation of a segment of U.S. Highway 75 in Collin County as the Sam Johnson Highway.

Transportation

SB 709 Lucio

Relating to representation of a person in a special education impartial due process hearing.

Education

SB 710 Lucio

Relating to professional development institutes regarding education of students with disabilities to serve as a resource for public school teachers and paraprofessionals.

Education

SB 711 Lucio

Relating to a postponement for certain recent immigrants of requirements for enrolling in public school courses for which end-of-course assessment instruments are administered.

Education

SB 712 Lucio

Relating to the financing of school district facilities and property tax relief for school district debt; providing for reduced property tax rates.

Finance

SB 713 Lucio

Relating to the employment of certified counselors by school districts.

Education

SB 714 Lucio

Relating to access to birth records of certain adopted children.

Jurisprudence

SB 715 Lucio

Relating to use of consistent terminology to refer to school counselors in the Education Code.

Education

SB 716 Lucio

Relating to the use of public school counselors' work time.

Education

SB 717 West

Relating to consent by a minor to housing or care provided through a transitional living program.

Jurisprudence

SB 718 West

Relating to voluntary and involuntary mental health services.

Health & Human Services

SB 719**West**

Relating to fees charged by certain entities administering alternative dispute resolution systems for counties.

Jurisprudence**SB 720****Ellis**

Relating to jury instructions regarding the insanity defense in a criminal case.

Criminal Justice**SB 721****Ellis**

Relating to the insanity defense in a criminal case.

Criminal Justice**SB 722****Ellis**

Relating to eligibility to serve as an interpreter in an election.

State Affairs**SB 723****Taylor**

Relating to the location of certain public sales of real property.

Business & Commerce**SB 724****Williams**

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 133; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations**SB 725****Williams**

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 134; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations**SB 726****Paxton**

Relating to authorization by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for certain public junior colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs.

Higher Education**SB 727****Taylor**

Relating to the eligibility for judge-ordered community supervision or for release on parole of certain defendants convicted of burglary with the intent to commit a sex offense.

Criminal Justice**SB 728****Davis**

Relating to the notification of certain legislators of the death of a child in foster care.

Health & Human Services**SB 729****Rodríguez/ et al.**

Relating to the creation of the State Supported Living Center Realignment Commission.

Health & Human Services**SB 730****Deuell**

Relating to the temporary exemption of certain tangible personal property related to data centers from the sales and use tax.

Finance**SB 731****Huffman**

Relating to the penalties for the production or delivery of marihuana plants.

Criminal Justice**SB 732****Eltife**

Relating to the Certified Retirement Community Program.

Economic Development

SB 733

Carona

Relating to the Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association.

Business & Commerce

SB 734

Carona

Relating to the licensing of captive insurance companies; authorizing fees.

Business & Commerce

SB 735

Lucio

Relating to using the system benefit fund for the support of certain programs for low-income electric customers.

Finance

SB 736

Watson

Relating to insurance rating and underwriting practices and declinations based on certain consumer inquiries.

Business & Commerce

SB 737

Watson

Relating to student loan repayment assistance for certain child protective services workers.

Health & Human Services

SB 738

Watson

Relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas Essential Workers Program; imposing fees.

Economic Development

SB 758

Williams

Relating to the established schedule of payments from the foundation school fund of the yearly entitlement of certain school districts.

Finance

HB 10

Pitts/ Giddings

Relating to making emergency supplemental appropriations and providing direction and transfer authority regarding certain appropriations.

Finance