

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

**Wednesday
May 1, 2013**

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

SJR 16 (CS) Van de Putte/ et al.

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed in action.

SJR 54 Hinojosa

Proposing a constitutional amendment repealing the constitutional provision authorizing the creation of a hospital district in Hidalgo County.

SB 38 (LC) Zaffirini

Relating to determining a child's eligibility for a school district's special education program on the basis of a visual impairment.

SB 39 Zaffirini

Relating to the evaluation and instruction of public school students with visual impairments.

SB 163 (CS) Van de Putte

Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed in action.

SB 377 (CS) (LC) Lucio/ et al.

Relating to the determination of certain exemptions from the administration of state assessment instruments to public school students and to the consideration of the performance of certain students on state assessment instruments.

SB 854 (CS) (LC) Van de Putte

Relating to the regulation of motor vehicle dealers, manufacturers, distributors, and representatives.

SB 1018 (CS) (LC) Carona

Relating to the agreements, costs, revenues, and finances of regional tollway authorities; authorizing taxes, fees, and assessments.

SB 1062 (CS) West/ et al.

Relating to transportation of certain students entitled to a public education grant.

SB 1100 (CS) (LC) Van de Putte

Relating to the licensing and inspection of certain out-of-state pharmacies by the Texas State Board of Pharmacy; authorizing fees.

SB 1163 (LC) Watson/ Nichols

Relating to requirements for consolidating water and sewer utilities.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1191 (CS) (LC) Davis/ et al.

Relating to the duties of health care facilities, health care providers, and the Department of State Health Services with respect to care provided to a sexual assault survivor in an emergency department of a health care facility.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1391 (CS) (LC) Davis

Relating to a requirement that the comptroller perform a study of the Texas Economic Development Act.

SB 1401 (CS) (LC) Carona

Relating to the eligibility of certain providers of laboratory services to participate in programs administered by health and human services agencies or the Health and Human Services Commission.

SB 1427 (CS) (LC) Hinojosa/ et al.

Relating to the administration of the citrus budwood certification program and the creation of the citrus nursery stock certification program; providing civil, criminal, and administrative penalties and authorizing fees.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1451 (CS) (LC) Hinojosa

Relating to the prosecution of the offense of money laundering and to the forfeiture of certain contraband.

SB 1482 (CS) Watson

Relating to the issuance of a public security by certain special districts.

SB 1517 (CS) (LC) Van de Putte

Relating to the collection of data regarding the placement of a child in disciplinary seclusion in a juvenile facility.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1522 (CS) (LC) Hegar

Relating to the procedures applicable to the revocation of a person's release on parole or to mandatory supervision.

SB 1606 (LC) Zaffirini

Relating to ad valorem tax liens on personal property.

SB 1662 (CS) Eltife

Relating to expedited binding arbitration of appraisal review board orders.

SB 1718 (CS) West

Relating to state interventions and sanctions against public school campuses with unacceptable performance and the establishment of the Texas Achievement School District for educating students at certain low-performing campuses.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1750 (CS) (LC) Uresti

Relating to a criminal penalty for failure to handle certain animals in accordance with rules of the Texas Animal Health Commission.

SB 1752 (CS) (LC) Uresti/ et al.

Relating to declarations for mental health treatment.

SB 1769 (CS) (LC) Rodríguez

Relating to the creation of an advisory committee to examine the fingerprinting practices of juvenile probation departments.

SB 1812 (CS) Duncan

Relating to the determination of state contributions for participation by certain junior college employees in the state employees group benefits program, the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, and the Optional Retirement Program.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1877 (CS) (LC) Estes

Relating to the creation of the Venable Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 of Denton County; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or taxes.

SB 1878 (LC) Estes

Relating to the creation of Highway 380 Municipal Management District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or taxes.

SB 1883 (LC) Schwertner

Relating to the creation of the Leander TODD Municipal Utility District No. 1 of Williamson County; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

HB 200 **Murphy/ Thompson, Senfronia/** **SP: Ellis**
 Smith/ Coleman/ Davis, Sarah/
 et al.

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

The Senate suspended the regular order, read third time and finally passed:

SB 1484 (CS) Watson/ Davis/ Lucio
 Relating to health benefit plan coverage for enrollees diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 756 **Seliger**
In memory of Harlow L. Sprouse.

SR 803 **Williams**
Recognizing May 12, 2013, as Miller Outdoor Theatre Day.

SR 804 **West**
Recognizing May 1, 2013, as DeSoto Independent School District Day.

The Senate granted the request for the appointment of a Conference Committee on the following:

HB 1600 (CS) **Cook/ Bonnen, Dennis/ Anchia/
Price/ et al.** **SP: Nichols**

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, to the transfer of certain functions from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, to the rates for water service, and to the functions of the Office of Public Utility Counsel; authorizing a fee.

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