

**SENATE FLOOR ACTION**

**Tuesday  
April 18, 2017**

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

**SB 208 (CS) (LC)                      West**  
Relating to the regulation of metal recycling entities; providing an administrative penalty; creating a criminal offense.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 226 (CS)                              Taylor, Van**  
Relating to the procedure for action on certain applications for an amendment to a water right.

**SB 289                                      Taylor, Van/ et al.**  
Relating to the preparation of government growth impact statements for rules proposed by state agencies.

**SB 317 (CS)                              Nichols/ Hinojosa/ Schwertner/  
Taylor, Van/ Watson**  
Relating to the continuation and functions of the Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners, the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, and the Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners; authorizing a fee.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 445 (CS)                              Burton/ et al.**  
Relating to the authorization and reporting of expenditures for lobbying activities by certain political subdivisions and other public entities.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 451 (CS)                              Hancock/ et al.**  
Relating to regulation of short-term rentals and short-term rental marketplaces by municipalities and counties.  
**4 Floor Amendments**

**SB 489                                      Lucio/ et al.**  
Relating to recommendations regarding instruction in public schools to prevent the use of e-cigarettes.

**SB 563                                      Hancock**  
Relating to the definition of commercial property insurance for purposes of certain provisions governing insurance rates and policy forms.

**SB 588 (LC)                              Lucio/ Campbell/ et al.**  
Relating to information regarding private employers who have veteran's employment preference policies.

**SB 655                                      Bettencourt/ Campbell/ Hall/ et al.**  
Relating to certain notice of the extent of a municipality or its extraterritorial jurisdiction.  
**4 Floor Amendments**

**SB 671 (LC)                              Campbell/ et al.**  
Relating to the public high school graduation credit requirements for a language other than English.

**SB 677 (LC)                              Miles/ et al.**  
Relating to the creation of a task force to identify opportunities for academic credit and industry recognition for inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 697 (LC)                              Buckingham/ Campbell/ Estes/  
Schwertner/ et al.**  
Relating to health benefit coverage for prescription drug synchronization.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 832** **Estes**  
Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to pledge revenue from the municipal hotel occupancy tax for the payment of obligations related to hotel projects.

**SB 840 (CS) (LC)** **Zaffirini/ et al.**  
Relating to certain images captured by an unmanned aircraft.

**SB 894 (CS) (LC)** **Buckingham**  
Relating to the Health and Human Services Commission's strategy for managing audit resources, including procedures for auditing and collecting payments from Medicaid managed care organizations.

**SB 977 (CS)** **Schwertner/ et al.**  
Relating to the use of state money for high-speed rail operated by a private entity.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 979 (CS) (LC)** **Schwertner/ et al.**  
Relating to the disposition of real property intended for high-speed rail projects.  
**2 Floor Amendments**

**SB 1198** **Zaffirini/ Campbell**  
Relating to the conversion of the Hays Caldwell Public Utility Agency to the Alliance Regional Water Authority; providing authority to issue bonds; granting the power of eminent domain; providing authority to impose fees.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 1327 (CS) (LC)** **Seliger**  
Relating to the authority of a district engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation to temporarily lower speed limits.

**SB 1345** **Watson/ et al.**  
Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of property owned by a charitable organization and used to provide tax return preparation and other financial services without regard to the beneficiaries' ability to pay.

**SB 1408 (LC)** **Huffines**  
Relating to the carrying of a handgun by certain first responders and volunteer emergency services personnel.  
**1 Floor Amendment**

**SB 1430 (CS)** **Perry/ et al.**  
Relating to a requirement that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality provide an expedited procedure for acting on certain applications for an amendment to a water right by certain applicants that use desalinated seawater.

**SB 1923** **Schwertner/ et al.**  
Relating to infrastructure funding for state hospital facilities and other state facilities, including the creation of the state hospital fund.

**The Senate adopted the following resolutions:**

**SR 346** **Lucio**  
Recognizing the Pan American Round Tables of Texas on the occasion of the organization's 100th anniversary.

**The Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested the appointment of a Conference Committee on the following:**

**SB 1 (CS)** **Nelson** **SP: Zerwas**  
General Appropriations Bill.

**Committee referral on the following:**

**SCR 51** **Creighton**

Urging appropriate state agencies to support the establishment of a veterans memorial in Conroe.  
**Veteran Affairs & Border Security**

**SCR 52** **Creighton**  
Urging Congress to pass S.2896, the Care Veterans Deserve Act of 2016.  
**Veteran Affairs & Border Security**

**SB 2273** **Campbell**  
Relating to the creation of the Kendall County Water Control and Improvement District No. 4; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 2274** **Creighton**  
Relating to the creation of the Lakewood Municipal Utility District No. 1; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 2275** **Creighton**  
Relating to the creation of the Lakewood Municipal Utility District No. 2; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 2276** **Creighton**  
Relating to the creation of Lakewood Improvement District of Harris County; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or taxes.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 2277** **Creighton**  
Relating to the creation of the Lakewood Municipal Utility District No. 3; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.  
**Intergovernmental Relations**

**SB 2278** **Hughes**  
Relating to the designation of a portion of Farm-to-Market Road 4000 in Titus County as the Titus County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Highway.  
**Transportation**

**SB 2279** **Hancock**  
Relating to the ownership, control, or operation of a franchised or nonfranchised dealer or dealership by certain manufacturers.  
**Business & Commerce**

**Committee re-referral on the following:**

**HB 10** **Price/ Bonnen, Greg/ Rose/  
Muñoz, Jr./ Coleman/ et al.**  
Relating to access to and benefits for mental health conditions and substance use disorders.  
**Re-referred from Health & Human Services to Business & Commerce**

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