SENATE FLOOR ACTION

Tuesday March 24, 2009

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

SB 158 Ellis

Relating to a notification requirement if a nurse is not assigned to a public school campus.

SB 297 (CS) (LC) Van de Putte/ Ogden/ et al.

Relating to resident tuition rates and fees at public institutions of higher education for certain veterans and their spouses and children.

SB 657 (CS) Fraser

Relating to the selection of the local administrative district judge for Blanco, Burnet, Llano, and San Saba Counties.

SB 745 (LC) Duncan

Relating to state travel policies and procedures for the reimbursement or payment of travel expenses.

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

SB 309 (CS) Jackson, Mike/ et al.

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

1 Floor Amendment

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

SB 175 Shapiro/ et al.

Relating to limitations on the automatic admission of undergraduate students to general academic teaching institutions.

6 Floor Amendments

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SR 397 Averitt/ Duncan/ Eltife/ Estes/

Fraser/ et al.

Commending the faculty, staff, and administration of the Texas State Technical College System.

SR 502 Uresti

In memory of Kristy Michelle Moehrig-Appleby.

SR 505 Watson/ Harris

Commending Karl Stressman, commissioner of the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association.

Committee referral on the following:

SB 1851 Deuell

Relating to the posting of notice by a county sheriff regarding impounded estrays.

Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 1852 Van de Putte

Relating to the ad valorem taxation of the residence homestead of a disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran.

Finance

SB 1853 Van de Putte

Relating to disciplinary actions regarding a pharmacy technician or pharmacy technician trainee.

Health & Human Services

SB 1854 West

Relating to creating a recognition day in honor of Dolores C. Huerta.

Administration

SB 1855 Carona

Relating to offers of settlement in certain civil actions.

State Affairs

SB 1856 Eltife

Relating to the regulation of manufactured housing.

Business & Commerce

SB 1857 Jackson, Mike

Relating to the service areas of certain junior college districts.

Higher Education

SB 1858 West

Relating to the disclosure of criminal history record information regarding public school employees.

State Affairs

SB 1859 Jackson, Mike

Relating to the exemption from the sales and use tax of boat slip rental fees charged at certain marinas severely damaged by Hurricane Ike.

Finance

SB 1860 Jackson, Mike

Relating to animal shelter standards; providing a civil penalty.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1861 Ellis

Relating to certain programs and pilot programs administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1862 Ellis

Relating to state purchasing of certain environmentally friendly items.

Government Organization

SB 1863 Ellis

Relating to the regulation of metal recycling entities; providing penalties.

Natural Resources

SB 1864 Ellis

Relating to postconviction forensic DNA analysis.

Criminal Justice

SB 1865 Ellis

Relating to the provider of last resort.

Business & Commerce

SB 1866 Ellis

Relating to the collection, dissemination, and correction of certain judicial determinations for a federal firearm background check.

Criminal Justice

SB 1867 Ellis

Relating to procedures related to the placement of a voter on the suspense list.

State Affairs

SB 1868 Ellis

Relating to the regulation of certain residential mortgage foreclosure consulting services; providing a criminal penalty.

Business & Commerce

SB 1869 Ellis/ Gallegos

Relating to judicial review of a decision to terminate certain federal housing assistance.

Jurisprudence

SB 1870 Hegar

Relating to the regulation of property tax consultants.

Finance

SB 1871 Hegar

Relating to the management of volunteer and other noncommercial cotton in pest management zones and the official cotton growers' boll weevil eradication program.

Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 1872 Zaffirini

Relating to the use of information and records acquired during a fatality review and investigation.

Jurisprudence

SB 1873 Zaffirini

Relating to subdivision platting requirements in counties near an international border.

International Relations & Trade

SB 1874 Zaffirini

Relating to requiring a municipality or county to publish a notice of intent before issuing anticipation notes.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1875 Zaffirini/ et al.

Relating to a declaration of origin.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1876 Nelson

Relating to the administration and powers of a coordinated county transportation authority.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1877 Nelson

Relating to the creation of the Texas Medical Child Abuse Resources and Education System grant program.

Health & Human Services

SB 1878 Nelson

Relating to the creation and operation of a council to increase state efforts to offer service-enriched housing through increased coordination of housing and health services.

Health & Human Services

SB 1879 Nelson

Relating to the licensing and regulation of genetic counselors; providing penalties.

Health & Human Services

SB 1880 Nelson

Relating to the regulation of nursing.

Health & Human Services

SB 1881 Nelson

Relating to the alignment of certain Medicaid procedures regarding written orders for diabetic equipment and supplies with comparable Medicare written order procedures.

Health & Human Services

SB 1882 Nelson

Relating to a memorandum of understanding between certain authorized entities to share suicide data that does not identify any individual.

Health & Human Services

SB 1883 Ellis

Relating to food safety.

Health & Human Services

SB 1884 Ellis

Relating to a breach of computer security involving sensitive personal information maintained by a state agency or local government.

Government Organization

SB 1885 Ellis

Relating to strategies to better protect electric transmission and distribution assets against natural disasters.

Business & Commerce

SB 1886 Ellis

Relating to diagnostic testing of pregnant women and certain newborns.

Health & Human Services

SB 1887 Ellis

Relating to food handlers.

Health & Human Services

SB 1888 Ellis

Relating to the reporting by candidates, officeholders, and specific-purpose committees in connection with certain judicial offices of political contributions and expenditures following the end of the period during which those entities may accept political contributions.

State Affairs

SB 1889 Gallegos

Relating to regulation of fire protection sprinkler technicians.

Business & Commerce

SB 1890 Gallegos

Relating to certain orders by the commissioner of insurance during a state of disaster.

S/C on Flooding & Evacuations

SB 1891 Gallegos

Relating to performance ratings assigned to certain open-enrollment charter schools under the public school accountability system.

Education

SB 1892 Gallegos

Relating to the licensing of court interpreters.

Jurisprudence

SB 1893 Gallegos

Relating to the authority of certain counties to enact noise regulations; providing a criminal penalty.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1894 Gallegos

Relating to The Fire Fighter Labor Relations Act.

State Affairs

SB 1895 Gallegos

Relating to the governing boards of independent school districts and junior college districts in counties with a population over 3.3 million.

State Affairs

SB 1896 Gallegos

Relating to the grievance procedure for firefighters and police officers in certain municipalities.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1897 Gallegos

Relating to fire code certificates of compliance, violations, and enforcement; providing penalties.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1898 Gallegos

Relating to the applicability of a fire code in an unincorporated area of a county.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1899 Shapiro

Relating to tenant's remedies regarding governmental determination of substandard housing.

Business & Commerce

SB 1900 Seliger

Relating to the abolition of the Texas cultural endowment fund.

Administration

SB 1901 Hinojosa

Relating to the safety of the fresh fruit and vegetables produced in this state.

Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 1902 Hinojosa

Relating to the imposition of conditions on certain defendants charged with an offense involving family violence.

Criminal Justice

SB 1903 Hinojosa/ Van de Putte

Relating to creating a recognition day in honor of Vietnam veterans.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1904 Hinojosa

Relating to promoting safety in public schools.

Education

SB 1905 Hinojosa

Relating to the regulation of and information regarding property in the custody of a pawnbroker.

Business & Commerce

SB 1906 Hinojosa

Relating to reports on expenditures of hospital upper payment limit supplemental payment program money.

Health & Human Services

SB 1907 Hinojosa

Relating to the requirements regarding reporting by a common carrier or pipeline owner or operator of contamination.

Natural Resources

SB 1908 Hinojosa

Relating to safety and financial responsibility in the operating of oil and gas wells; providing criminal penalties.

Natural Resources

SB 1909 Hinojosa

Relating to the establishment by the Texas Forensic Science Commission of a DNA laboratory audit program.

Criminal Justice

SB 1910 Whitmire

Relating to the licensing and regulation of commercial dog and cat breeders and the regulation of dog and cat dealers; providing penalties.

State Affairs

SB 1911 Carona

Relating to protection of individual identifying information and consumer credit information from unauthorized use or disclosure.

Business & Commerce

SB 1912 Duncan

Relating to the disclosure of personally identifiable information under the public information law.

State Affairs

SB 1913 Fraser

Relating to certificates of convenience and necessity.

Business & Commerce

SB 1914 Fraser

Relating to distilled spirits samplings by the holder of a distiller's and rectifier's permit.

Business & Commerce

SB 1915 Fraser

Relating to exemptions for insurers from certain rate filing and approval requirements based on the percentage that an insurer collects of the total amount of residential property insurance policy premiums collected in the state.

Business & Commerce

SB 1916 West

Relating to the automatic expunction of arrest records and files pertaining to an individual who has been pardoned.

Criminal Justice

SB 1917 West

Relating to certain responsibilities of a defendant serving a term of community supervision who changes residence within this state.

Criminal Justice

SB 1918 West

Relating to disclosure of certain information by a property owners' association.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1919 West

Relating to the requirements for recording a property owners' association management certificate.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1920 Jackson, Mike

Relating to the membership of the Advisory Board on Cosmetology.

Business & Commerce

SB 1921 Jackson, Mike

Relating to the office of county treasurer.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1922 Ogden

Relating to the creation and re-creation of funds and accounts in the state treasury, the dedication and rededication of revenue, and the exemption of unappropriated money from use for general governmental purposes.

Finance

SB 1923 Watson/ et al.

Relating to funding sources for the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1924 Watson

Relating to the notice required of certain political subdivisions concerning certain workers' compensation benefits.

State Affairs

SB 1925 Watson

Relating to certain services provided by the office of injured employee counsel under the workers' compensation program of this state.

State Affairs

SB 1926 Watson

Relating to the licensing and regulation of limited solar electric installers and limited solar electric contractors.

Business & Commerce

SB 1927 Ellis/ Lucio

Relating to a requirement that a full TEXAS grant be awarded to each eligible applicant in an academic year.

Higher Education

SB 1928 Watson

Relating to a study regarding ad valorem tax relief through the use of a circuit breaker program.

Finance

SB 1929 Watson

Relating to the designation of media production development zones and to exemptions from the sales and use tax for items used for sound stages in media production development zones.

Economic Development

SB 1930 Watson

Relating to the use of a confidential identity for the plaintiff in a civil action involving sexual abuse of a minor.

State Affairs

SB 1931 Watson/ et al.

Relating to the statute of limitations in a civil suit for certain sexual assaults.

State Affairs

SB 1932 Carona

Relating to the licensing requirements of hospitals providing outpatient dialysis services to a person relocated because of a disaster.

Health & Human Services

SB 1933 Carona

Relating to the confidentiality of information and documents collected during a school district security audit.

Education

SB 1934 Watson

Relating to the authority of certain governmental entities to receive local sales tax information.

Economic Development

SB 1935 Watson

Relating to the filing of an action in connection with foreclosure of a lien on residential real property.

Business & Commerce

SB 1936 Watson

Relating to the ceiling of the unemployment compensation fund.

Economic Development

SB 1937 Watson

Relating to prohibiting a fee for the conveyance of residential real property, maintaining exemptions.

Business & Commerce

SB 1938 Watson

Relating to the maintenance of certain interest-bearing accounts by escrow officers and the use of the interest on those accounts.

Business & Commerce

SB 1939 Van de Putte

Relating to the fund for veterans' assistance.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1940 Van de Putte

Relating to charitable contributions by state employees to the fund for veterans' assistance.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 1941 Shapiro

Relating to the administration and operation of, and the participation of state employees in, the state's programs for prepaying or saving toward the costs of attending an institution of higher education.

Higher Education

SB 1942 Shapiro

Relating to performance incentive funding for public institutions of higher education and to recognition of certain student achievement on degree completion.

Higher Education

SB 1943 West

Relating to state and municipal actions to ensure compliance with fair housing requirements.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1944 West

Relating to a franchise tax credit for charitable contributions made toward certain low-income residential housing programs.

Finance

SB 1945 West

Relating to the personal liability of, and acceptance of service of citation by, an employee of the owner of real property or of a company that manages real property.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1946 West

Relating to business leave time accounts for fire fighter employee organizations in certain municipalities.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1947 West

Relating to the authority of two or more municipalities to designate a joint tax increment financing reinvestment zone.

Economic Development

SB 1948 Hinojosa

Relating to the supervised reentry into the community of certain inmates nearing their date of discharge from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Criminal Justice

SB 1949 Hinojosa

Relating to the provision of crime victims' compensation to juvenile offenders who are victims of criminally injurious conduct.

Criminal Justice

SB 1950 Zaffirini

Relating to disclosures on certain electronic communications that support or oppose a candidate, public officer, or measure.

State Affairs

SB 1951 Zaffirini

Relating to the penalty for theft of a driver's license, commercial driver's license, or personal identification certificate.

Criminal Justice

SB 1952 Jackson, Mike

Relating to the authorization of certain municipalities and counties to issue public securities for the financing of permanent improvements for use by an institution of higher education.

Economic Development

SB 1953 Jackson, Mike

Relating to authorizing the transfer of certain real property held by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Criminal Justice

SB 1954 Jackson, Mike

Relating to a temporary faculty license for chiropractic faculty.

Health & Human Services

SB 1955 Hegar/ Eltife

Relating to career and technical education in the public schools and high school graduation requirements.

Education

SB 1956 Davis, Wendy

Relating to audio recordings of certain grievance proceedings or meetings by school district employees.

Education

SB 1957 Hinojosa

Relating to the electronic recording of custodial interrogations and certain statements and the admissibility of statements resulting from those interrogations.

Criminal Justice

SB 1958 Van de Putte

Relating to including certain veterans service organizations as small businesses for the purpose of state contracting.

Government Organization

SB 1959 Wentworth

Relating to the allocation of revenue from the state hotel tax for certain purposes in certain municipalities.

Economic Development

SB 1960 Wentworth

Relating to increased oversight, openness, transparency, and accountability for water supply or sewer service corporations.

Natural Resources

SB 1961 Lucio

Relating to annexation by and disannexation from certain municipalities.

International Relations & Trade

SB 1962 Lucio

Relating to a limitation on annexation by certain municipalities.

International Relations & Trade

SB 1963 Lucio

Relating to a limitation on annexation by certain municipalities.

International Relations & Trade

SB 1964 Lucio

Relating to procedures required for the continued annexation of certain areas annexed by certain municipalities.

International Relations & Trade

SB 1965 Harris

Relating to the regulation of retail installment contracts for commercial vehicles.

Economic Development

SB 1966 Harris

Relating to debt cancellation agreements offered in connection with motor vehicle retail installment

Business & Commerce

SB 1967 Carona

Relating to the safe operation of motorcycles and other vehicles in this state; providing penalties.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1968 West

Relating to the creation and operation of higher education enhancement districts.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1969 West

Relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted codes, to the nonsubstantive codification or disposition of various laws omitted from enacted codes, to conforming codifications enacted by the 80th Legislature to other Acts of that legislature, and to the repeal of certain unconstitutional laws.

Administration

SB 1970 Duncan

Relating to certain election practices and procedures; providing penalties.

State Affairs

SB 1971 Carona

Relating to the collection, maintenance, and transfer and other dissemination of criminal history record information and juvenile justice information.

Criminal Justice

SB 1972 Ellis

Relating to studying the feasibility of mechanisms to decouple certain electric utility revenues from the volume of sales of electricity.

Business & Commerce

SB 1973 Ellis

Relating to the creation and duties of the state energy savings performance contract advisory council.

Government Organization

SB 1974 Ellis/ Duncan

Relating to the wrongful imprisonment of a person and to procedures for providing compensation for that imprisonment and for exonerating a wrongfully imprisoned person who is deceased.

State Affairs

SB 1975 Ellis

Relating to normal weekly hours of work under the shared work unemployment compensation program.

Economic Development

SB 1976 Whitmire

Relating to procedures for applications for writs of habeas corpus based on scientific evidence establishing the innocence of a criminal defendant.

Criminal Justice

SB 1977 Van de Putte

Relating to the ratio of correctional officers to prisoners in a county jail.

Criminal Justice

SB 1978 Carona

Relating to requirements regarding employer liability for certain group health benefit plan premiums. **State Affairs**

SB 1979 Nichols

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

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1980 Patrick, Dan

Relating to the regulation of massage parlors by certain counties; providing penalties.

Criminal Justice

SB 1981 Patrick, Dan

Relating to the proximity of certain sex offenders' residences to a school.

Criminal Justice

SB 1982 Patrick, Dan

Relating to the licensing and regulation of pool-related electrical maintenance technicians and pool-related electrical maintenance contractors.

Business & Commerce

SB 1983 Uresti

Relating to the regulation of employer-based day-care facilities.

Health & Human Services

SB 1984 Uresti

Relating to certification of a person as eligible for disabled parking privileges.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1985 Uresti

Relating to workers' compensation health care reimbursement policies and fee guidelines for certain health care services.

State Affairs

SB 1986 Estes

Relating to the Gainesville Hospital District.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1987 Estes

Relating to the Electra Hospital District.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1988 Estes/ Hegar

Relating to the Texas Rural Investment Fund.

Agriculture & Rural Affairs

SB 1989 Gallegos

Relating to establishment of the Texas Statewide Interoperability Executive Advisory Council.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1990 Gallegos

Relating to safe patient handling and health care worker injury prevention policies for certain hospitals.

Health & Human Services

SB 1991 Gallegos

Relating to the right of a public school educator to remove a student from the educator's classroom.

Education

SB 1992 Gallegos

Relating to the regulation of automotive wrecking and salvage yards in certain counties; providing a civil penalty.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 1993 Gallegos

Relating to the criminal jurisdiction of the supreme court and the abolishment of the court of criminal appeals.

Jurisprudence

SB 1994 Gallegos

Relating to authorizing the provision of state matching funds to municipalities for hurricane preparation and recovery.

S/C on Flooding & Evacuations

SB 1995 Gallegos

Relating to the adoption of uniform residential building codes by political subdivisions.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1996 Gallegos

Relating to the creation of and sales and use taxes imposed by county assistance districts.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 1997 Lucio/ Hinojosa

Relating to the designation of Farm-to-Market Road 1015 in Hildalgo County as the Bill Summers International Boulevard.

International Relations & Trade

SB 1998 Shapiro

Relating to the evaluation of and funding for school district programs for gifted and talented students.

Education

SB 1999 Lucio

Relating to the eligibility of certain nonprofit wildlife conservation associations to conduct charitable raffles.

State Affairs

SB 2000 Seliger

Relating to weight limits on a vehicle loaded with certain agricultural products.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 2001 Van de Putte

Relating to the designation of May 9 as Willie Velasquez Day.

Administration

SB 2002 Van de Putte

Relating to a secondary-level English language learners' program for public school students of limited English proficiency.

Education

SB 2003 Van de Putte

Relating to public school prekindergarten classes.

Education

SB 2004 Van de Putte

Relating to a statewide electronic health records bank.

Health & Human Services

SB 2005 Van de Putte

Relating to the exemption of certain metropolitan rapid transit authorities from motor fuel taxes.

Finance

SB 2006 Hegar

Relating to groundwater permitting considerations of the adopted water plans.

Natural Resources

SB 2007 Hegar

Relating to Prairie View A&M University's eligibility to participate in the research development fund.

Higher Education

SB 2008 Hegar

Relating to consideration of water produced from exempt wells.

Natural Resources

SB 2009 Jackson, Mike

Relating to service and disability retirement benefits and death benefits for rescue specialists.

State Affairs

SB 2010 Van de Putte

Relating to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas withholding certain nonprofit association dues from the annuity payments of certain members.

State Affairs

SB 2011 Van de Putte

Relating to review of certain license examinations for insurance agents.

Business & Commerce

SB 2012 Van de Putte

Relating to the designation of May 9 as Willie Velasquez Day.

Administration

SB 2013 Hinojosa

Relating to interoperable health information technology.

Health & Human Services

SB 2014 Duncan/ Ellis

Relating to compensation of persons wrongfully imprisoned.

State Affairs

SB 2015 Watson

Relating to certain transit authorities.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 2016 Watson

Relating to the purchase and operation of plug-in hybrid electric motor vehicles, including the establishment of a pilot program by the state energy conservation office.

Natural Resources

SB 2017 Watson

Relating to a public hearing held by the Texas Transportation Commission in connection with certain highway projects.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 2018 Watson

Relating to neighborhood vehicles and golf carts.

Transportation & Homeland Security

SB 2019 Watson

Relating to the use of certain refrigerants in motor vehicle air conditioning units.

Natural Resources

SB 2020 Watson

Relating to incentives for Texas renewable energy jobs and manufacturing.

Business & Commerce

SB 2021 Watson

Relating to creating the Texas Early Learning Council.

Health & Human Services

SB 2022 Watson

Relating to creating an account to promote early child-care development.

Finance

SB 2023 Watson

Relating to the dissolution of certain municipal utility districts that are located in more than one municipality.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 2024 Watson

Relating to the maximum allowable premium rate increase for small employer health benefit plans.

State Affairs

SB 2025 Watson

Relating to the establishment of a prepaid tuition unit reward and incentive program for certain economically disadvantaged students who achieve commended performance levels on standardized assessments.

Higher Education

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