## **SENATE FLOOR ACTION**

## Wednesday April 29, 2009

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

## SB 3 (CS) Shapiro

Relating to public school accountability, curriculum, and promotion requirements.

## **8 Floor Amendments**

## SB 9 (CS) Zaffirini/ et al.

Relating to financial support and incentives for the development of national research universities and high-quality comprehensive regional universities and a review of the institutional groupings under the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's accountability system.

# SB 256 (CS) Estes

Relating to an intercollegiate athletics fee at Midwestern State University.

### 1 Floor Amendment

## SB 324 (CS) (LC) Shapleigh

Relating to the tuition rebate program for certain undergraduate students at general academic teaching institutions.

### 1 Floor Amendment

## SB 1002 (CS) (LC) Deuell

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation; providing penalties.

## **SB 1329 (CS) (LC) Nelson**

Relating to regulation of certain license holders to control food-borne illnesses.

## SB 1411 (CS) West/ et al.

Relating to financial assistance programs in connection with certain children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services and to certain training for caregivers of children.

### 1 Floor Amendment

# SB 1929 (CS) Watson/ et al.

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

## **2 Floor Amendments**

# SB 2236 (CS) (LC) Seliger

Relating to the exemption of certain electric cooperatives from certain regulations.

## 1 Floor Amendment

The Senate suspended the regular order, read second time and postponed consideration:

## SB 1560 (CS) Duncan/ Shapiro/ et al.

Relating to the national research university fund and the allocation of amounts appropriated from the fund, the abolition of the higher education fund, and the institutional groupings established by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

## 1 Floor Amendment

# The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

# SR 738 Hegar

Congratulating the Spoetzl Brewery in Shiner on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

#### SR 764 Zaffirini

Commending retired United States Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on her service to the nation on the bench and in the furtherance of Alzheimer's disease research.

## SR 765 Van de Putte

Commending the Texas State Partnership Program for its work in the effort to foster understanding between nations and American states and welcoming the delegations from Chile and the United States.

### HCR 117 Brown, Fred

In memory of Professor Robert Osborne Reid of College Station.

## HCR 134 Davis, John SP: Lucio

Honoring Roy Earl Reed, Sr., of Brownsville on his 80th birthday.

### **Committee referral on the following:**

### SJR 55 Carona

Proposing a constitutional amendment providing that the holdover provision of the Texas Constitution does not apply to a member of the Texas Transportation Commission.

## **Transportation & Homeland Security**

### SCR 67 Wentworth

Authorizing the Texas Legislative Council to pay membership dues to the Council of State Governments for state officers.

### Administration

### SB 2565 Averitt

Relating to adjustments of rates of certain telecommunications utilities for changes in certain tax liabilities.

### **Business & Commerce**

### SB 2566 Deuell

Relating to the composition and operation of the Hunt County Juvenile Board.

## Jurisprudence

## SB 2567 Duncan

Relating to state fiscal matters.

**Finance** 

## SB 2568 Patrick, Dan

Relating to a prohibition against the knowing employment of persons not lawfully present in the United States and the suspension of licenses held by certain employers for the knowing employment of those persons.

# **Transportation & Homeland Security**

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

## HB 1918 Darby/ Chisum/ Swinford/ Keffer/

Hardcastle/ et al.

Relating to changing the name of the Office of Rural Community Affairs to the Texas Department of Rural Affairs.

# Re-referred from Government Organization to Agriculture & Rural Affairs

(CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

(LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR