BILLS REFERRED TODAY

Thursday May 14, 2009

Committee referral on the following:

SCR 73 Averitt

Memorializing the U.S. Congress to maintain the Federal Family Education Loan Program.

Higher Education

SB 2586 Uresti

Relating to the creation of the Lajitas Utility District No. 1 of Brewster County; providing authority to impose taxes and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

SB 2587 Estes

Relating to the waiver of sovereign immunity from certain suits by certain municipalities.

Agriculture & Rural Affairs

HB 119 Heflin

Relating to the terms of court for the 110th District Court.

Jurisprudence

HB 121 Heflin

Relating to the fee for issuance of specialty license plates to certain wounded peace officers and to the families of certain peace officers killed in the line of duty.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 150 Smith, Todd

Relating to the application of the sales and use tax to the sale of certain food products sold at school events.

Finance

HB 229 Pitts/ Parker/ Anchia

Relating to the construction, installation, alteration, extension, servicing, maintenance, or repair of onsite sewage disposal systems.

Natural Resources

HB 230 Pitts/ Anderson/ Dunnam/ Gattis/

Maldonado/ et al.

Relating to exempting certain schools, nonprofit athletic or sports associations, municipally owned facilities, summer camps, places of worship, and fairgrounds from certain demand charges by transmission and distribution utilities.

Business & Commerce

HB 240 Alonzo

Relating to the appointment of members to the governing body of a political subdivision.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 258 Berman

Relating to the date on which a declaration of write-in candidacy must be filed.

State Affairs

HB 269 Lucio III/ Marquez/ Rios Ybarra/

Guillen/ et al.

Relating to course credit for certain students at a public institution of higher education.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

HB 315 Raymond

Relating to the instruction of American Sign Language in public high schools.

Education

HB 397 Hartnett

Relating to rules regarding return of service.

Jurisprudence

HB 544 Raymond/ et al.

Relating to the filing of an application for a place on the general primary election ballot.

State Affairs

HB 563 Menendez

Relating to the evaluation of applications for certain financial assistance administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 585 Naishtat

Relating to records related to an estate of a decedent or incapacitated person.

Jurisprudence

HB 587 Naishtat/ Coleman

Relating to the payment of attorney's fees to an attorney representing an applicant for the appointment of a guardian.

Jurisprudence

HB 640 Zerwas

Relating to personnel records of a deputy sheriff in certain counties.

Criminal Justice

HB 746 Brown, Fred/ Aycock/ Branch/ Giddings/ Rodriguez/ et al.

Relating to expanding the availability of classrooms and other facilities for use by public colleges and universities.

Higher Education

HB 781 Farabee

Relating to the Electra Hospital District.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 805 Quintanilla/ Fletcher/ Flynn

Relating to the definitions of police vehicle and authorized emergency vehicle for the purposes of certain traffic laws.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 1052 Mallory Caraway

Relating to the creation, powers, and duties of film districts.

Economic Development

HB 1117 Hochberg

Relating to ballot instructions.

State Affairs

HB 1182 Turner, Sylvester/ Harless/

Thibaut/ Edwards/ Leibowitz/

et al.

Relating to the administration and purposes of the system benefit fund and the eligibility of customers for benefits under certain programs financed by the system benefit fund and other programs.

Business & Commerce

HB 1193 Hancock/ et al.

Relating to ballot certification of a political party presidential candidate.

State Affairs

HB 1218 Howard, Donna

Relating to a pilot project to exchange secure electronic health information between the Health and Human Services Commission and local or regional health information exchanges.

Health & Human Services

HB 1259 Kolkhorst/ Leibowitz/ Legler/

Kleinschmidt

Relating to hiring outside legal counsel to provide legal services to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

State Affairs

HB 1275 Kolkhorst

Relating to the authority to impose a county hotel occupancy tax.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 1375 Thompson

Relating to staff development training for certain public school personnel regarding student disciplinary procedures.

Education

HB 1448 Allen

Relating to the requirements for voter registration.

State Affairs

HB 1470 Thibaut

Relating to notification regarding entitlement of school district employees to leave time in circumstances involving assault.

Education

HB 1597 Zerwas

Relating to the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 202; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 1600 Zerwas

Relating to the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 201; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 1601 Zerwas

Relating to the creation of the Waller County Municipal Utility District No. 13; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 1654 Anchia

Relating to the appointment of high school deputy registrars.

State Affairs

HB 1779 Smith, Todd

Relating to education and examination requirements for the issuance of a driver's license to certain persons.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 1872 Leibowitz/ Castro

Relating to the creation of additional judicial districts in Bexar County.

Jurisprudence

HB 2057 Gallego

Relating to an optional county fee on registration of a vehicle in certain counties.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 2153 Edwards/ Turner, Chris

Relating to certain registration requirements imposed on sex offenders.

Criminal Justice

HB 2181 Berman

Relating to the computation of a person's age under the Election Code.

State Affairs

HB 2248 Turner, Sylvester

Relating to an emergency management plan for certain health care facilities.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 2284 Rodriguez

Relating to the ad valorem taxation of property owned by certain organizations and used to provide affordable housing.

Finance

HB 2346 Thibaut

Relating to the removal of illegally parked vehicles from residential parking permit areas in certain municipalities.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 2348 Dutton/ Flynn

Relating to a contract between a water district and a municipality for the provision of fire-fighting services in certain counties.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 2368 Hartnett

Relating to trusts.

Jurisprudence

HB 2425 Morrison

Relating to engineering recruitment programs at public or private institutions of higher education and to certain degree programs at public junior colleges.

Higher Education

HB 2524 Anchia/ Bohac/ Leibowitz/ et al.

Relating to the accuracy, security, and reliability of certain electronic voting systems.

State Affairs

HB 2585 Hartnett

Relating to digital or electronic signatures and witness signatures on advance directives.

Health & Human Services

HB 2654 Oliveira

Relating to imposition of the motor vehicle sales tax on motor vehicles transferred as the result of a gift. **Finance**

HB 2703 Olivo

Relating to classification of a prekindergarten or kindergarten student who is retained at the request of the student's parent.

Education

HB 2732 Eissler/ Strama

Relating to the regulation of barking dogs by certain counties as a nuisance.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 2740 Bolton

Relating to the licensing and regulation of youth camps.

Health & Human Services

HB 2767 Anderson/ Guillen

Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates for municipal judges and justices of the peace.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 2941 Paxton

Relating to the disclosure of certain ad valorem tax appraisal information and other confidential information.

Finance

HB 3044 Farias

Relating to the registration of certain vehicles used to provide emergency incident rehabilitation services.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 3075 Deshotel

Relating to the designation of convenience signers on certain accounts established at financial institutions.

Jurisprudence

HB 3085 Hartnett

Relating to the independent administration of a decedent's estate.

Jurisprudence

HB 3173 Allen

Relating to the statewide plan for delivery of services to public school students with disabilities and resources for teachers of public school students with special health needs.

Education

HB 3215 Farias

Relating to the establishment of a down payment assistance program for certain professional educators by the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 3220 Hancock

Relating to the applicability of certain laws to open-enrollment charter schools.

Education

HB 3221 Hancock

Relating to required notification by an insurer before automatic premium payments may be increased.

Business & Commerce

HB 3224 Madden

Relating to the prosecution and punishment of the offense of arson.

Criminal Justice

HB 3417 Oliveira/ Lucio III

Relating to the jurisdiction of criminal law hearing officers in Cameron County.

Criminal Justice

HB 3425 Hughes

Relating to the use of municipal hotel occupancy taxes.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 3485 Coleman

Relating to the administration of certain county services and duties, including the administration of county assistance districts.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 3628 Jones

Relating to the date by which the executive director of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation must require compliance with certain elevator safety standards.

Business & Commerce

HB 3646 Hochberg/ Eissler/ Aycock/ Pitts/

Patrick/ et al.

Relating to public school finance.

Education

HB 3653 Marquez/ Olivo/ King, Susan/ Madden/ Ortiz, Jr./ et al.

Relating to the use of restraints to control the movement of pregnant women and female children confined in certain correctional facilities in this state.

Criminal Justice

HB 3666 Kolkhorst

Relating to the application for and issuance of a marriage license.

Jurisprudence

HB 3691 Deshotel

Relating to shipping coordination services for state agencies.

State Affairs

HB 3708 Oliveira

Relating to the appointment and qualifications of bailiffs for certain courts in Cameron County.

Jurisprudence

HB 3768 Paxton

Relating to title insurance coverage of property transferred into an inter vivos trust.

Jurisprudence

HB 3896 Oliveira

Relating to the authority of the governing body of a municipality or the commissioners court of a county to enter into an ad valorem tax abatement agreement.

Administration

HB 3907 Madden

Relating to the court-ordered administration of psychoactive medication to certain criminal defendants and to the release of those defendants from certain facilities.

Criminal Justice

HB 3989 Merritt/ Flynn/ Hopson

Relating to the waiver of state park entrance fees for certain persons.

Natural Resources

HB 4067 Gonzales/ Chavez/ Oliveira/

Martinez, "Mando"/ Leibowitz

Relating to the creation of the Bureau for Economic Development of the Border Region.

International Relations & Trade

Bonnen/ et al. **HB 4128**

Relating to the eligibility of certain Texas Rangers for burial in the state cemetery.

Administration

HB 4186 Jones

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

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 4189 Rose

Relating to the conduct of compliance programs by institutions of higher education.

Higher Education

HB 4193 Herrero

Relating to a joint election for trustees of an independent school board.

State Affairs

HB 4229 Otto/ Thompson

Relating to the award of attorney's fees in a judicial appeal of certain ad valorem tax determinations.

Finance

HB 4230 Otto/ Bohac/ Thompson

Relating to the rescheduling of a hearing before an appraisal review board.

Finance

HB 4295 Anchia/ Hodge/ Miklos/ Kent/

Alonzo

Relating to the right of certain municipalities to maintain local control over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4426 Hernandez/ Alonzo

Relating to authorizing a suit to declare that certain young people have been abused, neglected, or abandoned and extending the jurisdiction of certain courts making such a declaration.

Jurisprudence

HB 4433 Rodriguez

Relating to an exemption from the severance tax for certain gas and oil produced.

Finance

HB 4440 Kolkhorst

Relating to a study by the attorney general of the effects on state law and authority of certain international and other agreements and bodies.

State Affairs

HB 4456 Driver

Relating to the definition of a switchblade knife for purposes of the offense of prohibited weapons.

Criminal Justice

HB 4493 Eiland

Relating to contracts awarded through competitive bidding by certain port and harbor facilities.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 4533 Chavez

Relating to the conduct of charitable poker runs by certain nonprofit organizations.

State Affairs

HB 4542 Raymond

Relating to the exercise of urban renewal powers by certain counties.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4594 Eiland

Relating to permits for the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles in a certain county.

Transportation & Homeland Security

HB 4722 Cohen

Relating to the creation of the Harris County Improvement District No. 11; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4745 Heflin

Relating to the Lockney General Hospital District.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4757 Eissler

Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 118; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4773 Eiland

Relating to the creation of Chambers County Improvement District No. 2; providing authority to levy an assessment, impose a tax, and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4774 Eiland

Relating to the creation of the Chambers County Improvement District No. 3; granting road powers; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4781 Gallego

Relating to the imposition and rate of the county hotel occupancy tax in certain counties.

International Relations & Trade

HB 4784 Fletcher

Relating to the creation of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 524; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4790 Phillips

Relating to the creation of the Brown's Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 of Grayson County; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4795 Allen

Relating to territory included in, and the validation of acts of, the Harris County Improvement District No. 10 and the Harris County Improvement District No. 10B; changing the name of the Harris County Improvement District No. 10B.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4802 Otto

Relating to the creation of the Liberty County Municipal Utility District No. 6; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 4810 Miller, Doug

Relating to the creation of the Comal County Water Control and Improvement District No. 5; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Natural Resources

HB 4811 Miller, Doug

Relating to the creation of the Comal County Water Control and Improvement District No. 6; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Natural Resources

HB 4825 Rose

Relating to the creation of the Driftwood Economic Development Municipal Management District; providing authority to impose a tax.

Intergovernmental Relations

HCR 152 Hunter/ Herrero/ Ortiz, Jr./ Leibowitz/ et al.

Requesting the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house of representatives to provide for a joint interim legislative study on the availability of medical treatment for patients with Lyme diseases in Texas.

Administration

HCR 161 Burnam

Granting John Cook permission to sue the Benbrook Water Authority.

Jurisprudence