Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 66

S. C. E. No. 321

By: Moorlett

RELATING TO A WELL CONSIDERED PLAN FOR PROVIDING ADDITIONAL SPACE, IN KEEPING WITH THE ACTUAL NEEDS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS

WHEREAS, When the present State Capitol Building was erected, the population of the State was barely one-fourth of its present population; and

WHEREAS, There is reasonable expectation of further continued growth in the population of Texas; and

WHEREAS, In recent years the State Government has been required by public opinion, and by the adoption of Constitutional Amendments, to engage in many new functions and activities, that were not contemplated when the present Capitol Building was erected, such as Unemployment Compensation, Social Security, expanded agricultural, military, educational, health, and highway facilities, regulation of utilities, the transportation industry, the petroleum industry, and various other well organized and essential regulatory functions; and

WHEREAS, These additional activities of the State Government have separately and collectively called for a very greatly expanded need for well arranged office space and office buildings in which to house the various State Departments; and

WHEREAS, Said expansion will probably continue, in keeping with the increase in the State's population, and the increase in the demands of the public for additional services from the Government; and

WHEREAS, At the present time, a considerable portion of the State's employees and valuable records are being taken care of in widely separated offices in various parts of the Capital City, thus tending to lower the efficiency of the State Government, and, at the same time, considerably adding to the inconvenience of the people who have occasion to deal with the various Departments; and

WHEREAS, It has thus developed that it may become necessary to acquire additional grounds near the present Capitol Building, upon which to
construct suitable fireproof office buildings, and provide appropriate space for parking, and other means of ingress and egress to said buildings, and to the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, The same should be accomplished and brought about through a well considered plan, whereby the maximum efficiency in the State Departments may be maintained at the least expense; therefore, it is

RESOLVED, By the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, that in order to accomplish the above mentioned desirable purposes, that the Lieutenant-Governor shall appoint from the membership of the Senate disinterested, competent members of the Senate, and that the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three (3) disinterested, competent members of the House of Representatives, said members collectively to be known as the Capitol Planning Commission, and that said Commission is hereby instructed to make a complete survey of the needs of the State, and of the availability of property which may become useful to the State, and that said Commission be instructed to make a report, either to a Special Session of the Eighteenth Legislature, if one be called, or to the Regular Session of the Eighteenth Legislature, with suitable recommendations; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That said Commission consult competent authorities and technical advisers before making up its report, in order that same may be based on competent and qualified technical information.

ADOPTED: May 26th

[Signature]
Secretary of the Senate
Amend S. C. R. c. 36 by striking out the word "therefore" after the last "whereas" clause on Page 2, and at the end of Line 6, and immediately preceding the resolving clause, and also strike out all of the resolving clause and insert the following; and

WHEREAS, The beauty and culture of its Capital City has been the greatest pride and glory of every Nation from the days of ancient Greece to the present time; and

WHEREAS, The City of Austin is now known and recognized throughout the United States as one of the most beautiful capital cities in the Nation; and a continuation of this desirable condition is of interest to all the people of the State; and

WHEREAS, The natural beauties and the cultural environment of the City of Austin are unsurpassed by any city in America; and

WHEREAS, The present generation could bequeath to posterity no more valuable gift than a carefully devised plan for the future beautification and development of this Capital City; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That in order to accomplish the above mentioned desired purposes that the Lieutenant Governor shall appoint from the membership of the Senate two disinterested, competent members of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House shall appoint three disinterested, competent members of the House, said members collectively to be known as the Capital Planning Commission; and that said Commission be and it is hereby instructed and authorized to make a complete survey of the needs for the further development and beautification of the Capital City of Austin, with special reference to the location of public buildings that may be erected in the future, including parks, drives, and boulevards to properly harmonize with the general plan
of development, and so as to conform to and continue as nearly as possible to the present development of the Capitol buildings and grounds, and the University buildings and campus; and in order that future generations may have suitable basic plans for the building and development of a Capital City worthy of the great State of Texas; and with the hope that our Capital City will be the pride and joy of its citizenship in the generation to come; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said Commission be instructed and directed to ask for the cooperation and assistance of the City Authorities of the City of Austin; and that the Engineering Department of the University of Texas be requested to assist in the necessary surveys; that said Commission cooperate with said City of Austin and the Engineering Department of the University of Texas to the end that these plans may be drafted with the least possible expense; that said Commission be further instructed to make a report to a Special Session of the Forty-seventh Legislature, if there be one, or if there is none, to the Regular Session of the Forty-eighth Legislature, with suitable recommendation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That said Commission consult competent authorities and technical advisors from any State Department, from the City of Austin, and from the University of Texas, before making up this report in order that the same may be based upon competent and technical information.
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WHEREAS, These additional activities of the State Government have separately and collectively called for a very greatly expanded need for well arranged office space and office buildings in which to house the various State Departments; and

WHEREAS, Said expansion will probably continue, in keeping with the increase in the State's population, and the increase in the demands of the public for additional services from the Government; and

WHEREAS, At the present time, a considerable portion of the State's employees and valuable records are being taken care of in widely separated offices in various parts of the Capital City, thus tending to lower the efficiency of the State Government, and, at the same time, considerably adding to the inconvenience of the people who have occasion to deal with the various Departments; and
WHEREAS, It has thus developed that it may become necessary to acquire additional grounds near the present Capitol Building, upon which to construct suitable fireproof office buildings, and provide appropriate space for parking, and other means of ingress and egress to said buildings, and to the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, The same should be accomplished and brought about through a well considered plan, whereby the maximum efficiency in the State Departments may be maintained at the least expense; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, that in order to accomplish the above mentioned desirable purposes, that the Lieutenant-Governor shall appoint from the membership of the Senate three (3) disinterested, competent members of the Senate, and that the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three (3) disinterested, competent members of the House of Representatives, said members collectively to be known as the "Capitol Planning Commission," and that said Commission is hereby instructed to make a complete survey of the needs of the State, and of the availability of property which may become useful to the State, and that said Commission be instructed to make a report, either to a Special Session of the 47th Legislature, if one be called, or to the Regular Session of the 48th Legislature, with suitable recommendations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said Commission consult competent authorities and technical advisers before making up its report, in order that same may be based on competent and qualified technical information.
Austin, Texas
May 26, 1941

Hon. Coke Stevenson
President of the Senate
Austin, Texas

Sir:

We, your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have had S. C. R. No. 66 carefully examined, compared and read and find same correctly engrossed.

Fain, Chairman
Austin, Texas
July 2

Hon. Coke Stevenson
President of the Senate
Austin, Texas

Sir:

We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills, have had S. C. R. No. 65 carefully examined, compared and read and find same correctly enrolled.

Vick, Chairman
Austin, Texas  
June 18, 1941

Hon. Coke R. Stevenson  
President of the Senate

Hon. Homer Leonard  
Speaker of the House

Sirs:

We, your Conference Committee appointed to adjust the differences between the two houses on S. C. R. No. 66, have met and beg leave to recommend that said S. C. R. No. 66 be passed in the form hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Moffett  
Andrus

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Alden

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On the part of the Senate

Shirvan  
Carrington

Hughes  
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On the part of the House
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Whereas, In recent years and since the erection of the present Capitol Building, the State Government has been required by public opinion, and by the adoption of Constitutional Amendments, to engage in many new functions and activities, that were not contemplated when the present Capitol Building was erected, such as Unemployment Compensation, Social Security, expanded agricultural, military, educational, health, and highway facilities, regulation of utilities, the transportation industry, the petroleum industry, and various other well organized and essential governmental functions; and

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Whereas, The beauty and culture of its Capital City has been the greatest pride and glory of every Nation from the days of ancient Greece to the present time; and

Whereas, The present generation could bequeath to posterity no more valuable gift than a carefully devised plan for the future beautification and development of this Capital City; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That in order to accomplish the above mentioned desired purposes the Lieutenant-Governor shall appoint from the membership of the Senate three disinterested, competent members of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House shall appoint three disinterested, competent members of the House of Representatives, said members collectively to be known as the Capitol Planning Commission; and that said Commission be and is hereby instructed and authorized to make a complete survey of the needs of the State with special reference to the location of public buildings that may be erected in the future, including parks, drives, and boulevards to properly harmonize with the general plan of development, and so as to conform to and continue as nearly as possible to the present development of the Capitol buildings and grounds, and the University buildings.
and campus; and in order that future generations may have suitable basic plans for the building and development of a Capital City worthy of the great State of Texas; and be it further,

Resolved, that said Commission be authorized to ask for the cooperation and assistance of the City Planning Commission of Austin, any state-wide technical organizations or any departments of State, or State institutions, to the end that these plans will be drafted with the least possible expense; that said Commission is hereby instructed to make a complete survey of the needs of the State, and of the availability of property which may become useful to the State; and that said Commission be further instructed to make a report to a Special Session of the Forty-seventh Legislature, if there be one, or if there is none, to the Regular Session of the Forty-eighth Legislature, with suitable recommendations.
Austin, Texas  
June 18, 1941

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President of the Senate

Hon. Homer Leonard  
Speaker of the House

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We, your Conference Committee appointed to adjust the differences between the two Houses on S. C. R. No. 66, have met and beg leave to recommend that said S. C. R. No. 66 be passed in the form hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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On the part of the Senate

Stinson

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On the part of the House

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RELATING TO A FULL CONSIDERED PLAN
FOR PROVIDING ADDITIONAL SPACE,
IN KEEPING WITH THE ACTUAL NEEDS
OF STATE DEPARTMENTS

Rule requiring Resolutions to be
referred to a committee suspended.

ADOPTED! MAY 26, 1941

Secretary of the Senate

Engrossed

Engrossing Clerk
Relating to a well considered plan for providing additional space, in keeping with the actual needs of State Departments.

5-26-41 Rule requiring Resolutions to be referred to a Committee suspended.

5-26-41 Adopted.

Bob Barker, Secretary of the Senate

ENGROSSING CLERK

MAY 26 1941
REPORTED ENGROSSED
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IN THE SENATE

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the House.

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S. C. R. 66
Read 1st time as a Viva-Voce
ADOPTED: JUL 2, 1941

Secretary of the Senate