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ELEVENTH DAY (CONTINUED) — WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021

The house met at 10:05 a.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The invocation was offered by Representative A. Johnson as follows:

Almighty God, inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership. Give us the vision of truth and justice and inspiration to work together. Give to the people of Texas the zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive our shortcomings and purify our hearts to see the love and truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The speaker led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today and tomorrow because of important business:

Anchia on motion of C. Turner.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of important business in the district:

Shine on motion of Darby.

Smithee on motion of Darby.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

REPRESENTATIVE MARTINEZ FISCHER: Are we currently in the order of business dealing with routine motions?

SPEAKER PHELAN: We are.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, before I give you another parliamentary inquiry, I just want to wish you a happy St. Patrick's Day. But I do have a parliamentary inquiry. May I state my inquiry?

SPEAKER: Please state your inquiry.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, this morning I read a headline in my newspaper that said that the house rejected the repricing of electricity. That is sent to over 200,000 people in my community that read the newspaper. I checked around. The house didn't do anything. More specifically, Mr. Speaker, and I'll get to my inquiry, I checked our house communications

system. I have not seen any e-mail utterance directed to us as members as to anything with respect to electricity repricing. And my inquiry is, did something happen yesterday that the body missed?

SPEAKER: Mr. Martinez Fischer, that's not a proper parliamentary inquiry.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Mr. Speaker, I—parliamentary inquiry.

SPEAKER: Please state your inquiry.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: I respect that analysis. Under what rule is that an improper inquiry?

SPEAKER: Under long-standing precedent, the chair will respond only to a parliamentary inquiry that relates to business that is currently pending before the house or business that may be immediately brought before the house. The chair will decline to respond to a parliamentary inquiry that is hypothetical or does not relate to business before the house.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Well, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, parliamentary inquiry.

SPEAKER: Please state your inquiry.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Under Rule 4, Section 51, of the house, does the house have the ability to set a committee of the whole?

SPEAKER: Under long-standing precedent, the chair will respond only to a parliamentary inquiry that relates to business that is currently pending before the house or business that may be immediately brought before the house. The chair will decline to respond to a parliamentary inquiry that is hypothetical or does not relate to the business before the house. There is no business before the house.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, but the inquiry is not on the business before the house. The inquiry is on: Do our rules provide for the assembly of this body under Rule 4, Section 51, to meet as a committee of the whole?

SPEAKER: If you have questions or comments about general procedure of the house, please consult the parliamentarians.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: And I have. I've read their book. Mr. Speaker, parliamentary inquiry.

SPEAKER: Please state your inquiry.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: How would one go about making the motion for the house to assemble as a committee of the whole and set a special order for **SB 2142**, which is not hypothetical, which is a bill that is in this house, so that the members can deliberate and clear the record as to what has been disseminated in the statewide press where the integrity of this body has just been called into question about decisions that were made that did not happen on this floor?

SPEAKER: Mr. Martinez Fischer, as I've already stated, your inquiry is not in order.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Okay. Mr. Speaker, since we are under the general routine motions period, then pursuant to Rule 4, Section 53, pursuant to Rule 4, Section 51, Subsection 1, Subsection 2, I make a motion that this committee—the purpose of this body assemble as a committee of the whole to set a special order to debate and take up **SB 2142** for a time certain, that being tomorrow, March 18, at 10 a.m.

SPEAKER: Mr. Martinez Fischer, you are not recognized for that motion.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: You will not recognize me for that motion?

SPEAKER: I will not recognize you for that motion.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: And so it's not decision of the house, it's decision of the chair, Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER: That is correct.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Mr. Speaker, is that decision to not recognize me for this motion, is it appealable?

SPEAKER: Mr. Martinez Fischer, that is not appealable.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Mr. Speaker, parliamentary inquiry.

SPEAKER: Please state your inquiry.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: Under Rule 5, Section 35, questions of privilege are defined. And specifically in Subsection 1, a question of privilege is defined as "those affecting the rights of the house collectively, its safety and dignity, and the integrity of its proceedings." Mr. Speaker, there is a presumption and a perception that this body has made a decision to not entertain a debate and discussion on the repricing of electricity. The only way to set that record straight is for this body to maintain its dignity, maintain its integrity, and protect the collective body of this house. And so I would argue that this is a question of privilege which shall not be denied and can be appealed.

SPEAKER: Mr. Martinez Fischer, you have not stated a proper question of privilege.

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

Representative Martinez Fischer moved to print remarks between the chair and Representative Martinez Fischer.

The motion prevailed.

FIVE-DAY POSTING RULE SUSPENDED

Representative Coleman moved to suspend the five-day posting rule to allow the Committee on County Affairs to consider **HB 2073** at 10:30 a.m. or upon final adjournment or recess or during the period authorized for bill referral, if permission is granted, tomorrow in E2.014.

The motion prevailed.

**BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING
AND REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES**

Bills and joint resolutions were at this time laid before the house, read first time, and referred to committees. (See the addendum to the daily journal, Referred to Committees, List No. 1.)

(Leman in the chair)

RECESS

Representative Canales moved that the house recess until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 11:03 a.m., recessed until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

ADDENDUM

REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

The following bills and joint resolutions were today laid before the house, read first time, and referred to committees, and the following resolutions were today laid before the house and referred to committees. If indicated, the chair today corrected the referral of the following measures:

List No. 1

HB 2501 (By Swanson), Relating to an option on ballots to choose not to vote in a race.

To Elections.

HB 2502 (By Patterson), Relating to lifetime income benefits under the workers' compensation system.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2503 (By Guillen), Relating to procedures governing a regional mobility authority in relation to certain federal public transportation funding.

To Transportation.

HB 2504 (By J. González, Oliverson, and J.E. Johnson), Relating to health benefit plan coverage of prescription drugs for serious mental illnesses.

To Insurance.

HB 2505 (By Smith), Relating to the operation of a watercraft while intoxicated.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2506 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to ensure the independent organization certified for the ERCOT power region has adequate reserve power to prevent blackout conditions.

To State Affairs.

HB 2507 (By S. Thompson, Reynolds, and Howard), Relating to unlawful employment practices with respect to compensation and wage history.

To International Relations and Economic Development.

HB 2508 (By Smith), Relating to Creating a Criminal Offense for the unlawful disclosure of an autopsy photograph.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2509 (By Lucio), Relating to measures to support or enhance graduate medical education for the practice of podiatric medicine in this state.

To Higher Education.

HB 2510 (By Noble, Meyer, Buckley, and C. Turner), Relating to a sales and use tax exemption for animals adopted from or sold by nonprofit animal welfare organizations.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2511 (By Meza), Relating to access to certain law enforcement, corrections, and prosecutorial records under the public information law.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2512 (By Meza), Relating to the county regulation of certain BYOB establishments; creating a criminal offense.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2513 (By Meza), Relating to procedures for notice and the adoption of state agency emergency rules that restrict access to residents of long-term care facilities.

To Human Services.

HB 2514 (By Meza), Relating to a task force to study access to legal services for persons with disabilities.

To Human Services.

HB 2515 (By Shaheen), Relating to short-term rental units that violate municipal ordinances.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2516 (By Meza), Relating to health benefit plan coverage for conversion therapy.

To Insurance.

HB 2517 (By Meza), Relating to suicide prevention in municipal jails and lockups.

To County Affairs.

HB 2518 (By Meza), Relating to the inclusion of an incarcerated person in the population data used for redistricting according to the person's last residence before incarceration.

To Redistricting.

HB 2519 (By Darby), Relating to matters regarding educators, including the composition of the State Board for Educator Certification, the board's disciplinary proceedings, and a public school teacher's notification of resignation from employment.

To Public Education.

HB 2520 (By E. Thompson), Relating to the considerations when determining whether an operator of a motor vehicle is an employee of a motor carrier or an independent contractor.

To Transportation.

HB 2521 (By Harris), Relating to the designation of State Loop 256 in Palestine as the Bascom W. Bentley III Memorial Loop.

To Transportation.

HB 2522 (By Metcalf), Relating to the governing body of the independent organization certified to manage the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2523 (By Campos), Relating to the expiration of a protective order when the subject of the protective order is confined or imprisoned.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2524 (By Reynolds), Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; providing an administrative penalty.

To State Affairs.

HB 2525 (By Huberty), Relating to the creation of the Lake Houston Dredging and Maintenance District; providing the authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments and fees.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2526 (By Thierry), Relating to a study by the Public Utility Commission of Texas regarding grid resilience and emergency response in electric power generation.

To State Affairs.

HB 2527 (By Thierry), Relating to a highly contagious communicable disease health and safety plan prepared by a school district.

To Public Education.

HB 2528 (By Minjarez), Relating to the contracting authority of the Health and Human Services Commission for the volunteer advocate for children program.

To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

HB 2529 (By Davis), Relating to the membership of the governing body of the independent organization certified for the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2530 (By Ashby), Relating to the rate of interest on certain tax refunds.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2531 (By Anderson), Relating to an accommodation process authorizing the use of state highway rights-of-way by broadband-only providers.
To State Affairs.

HB 2532 (By Noble), Relating to investigating and responding to complaints filed against the Department of Family and Protective Services.
To Human Services.

HB 2533 (By Darby), Relating to performance of an evaluation of real property for use by a financial institution
To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2534 (By Clardy), Relating to an appraisal procedure for disputed losses under personal automobile insurance policies.
To Insurance.

HB 2535 (By Sanford), Relating to the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of real property that includes improvements used for the noncommercial production of food for personal consumption.
To Ways and Means.

HB 2536 (By Krause), Relating to neglect of a child and the grounds for termination of the parent-child relationship and possession of a child by the Department of Family and Protective Services.
To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

HB 2537 (By Reynolds), Relating to county regulation of short-term rental units in the unincorporated area of certain counties; authorizing a civil penalty; authorizing a fee.
To County Affairs.

HB 2538 (By J. Turner), Relating to the Task Force on Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response.
To Public Health.

HB 2539 (By J. Turner), Relating to the distribution of funds designated for the low-income vehicle repair assistance, retrofit, and accelerated vehicle retirement program.
To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2540 (By Anchia), Relating to prohibiting certain modifications to the exhaust emission system of a passenger car or light truck.
To Transportation.

HB 2541 (By Meza), Relating to the inspection, diagnosis, maintenance, and repair of powered medical equipment.
To Business and Industry.

HB 2542 (By Rose and Reynolds), Relating to considering criminal history in employment decisions; providing an administrative penalty.
To Business and Industry.

HB 2543 (By Dominguez), Relating to the use of county hotel occupancy tax revenue by certain counties.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2544 (By Dominguez), Relating to the governing body of the independent organization certified to manage the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2545 (By Thierry), Relating to health benefit plan coverage of hearing aids and cochlear implants for certain individuals.

To Insurance.

HB 2546 (By Jetton), Relating to the enforcement by the secretary of state of certain voter roll maintenance provisions; creating a criminal offense.

To Elections.

HB 2547 (By Oliverson), Relating to the modernization of regulation of commercial property and casualty insurance.

To Insurance.

HB 2548 (By Morrison), Relating to the inspection of municipal buildings during a declared disaster.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2549 (By Dutton), Relating to suits against certain governmental employees.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2550 (By Dutton), Relating to services provided by the Department of Family and Protective Services.

To Human Services.

HB 2551 (By Dutton), Relating to certain placements for children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

To Human Services.

HB 2552 (By Dutton), Relating to certain Department of Family and Protective Services procedures during an investigation of child abuse or neglect.

To Human Services.

HB 2553 (By Thierry), Relating to a prohibition on the issuance of a warrant authorizing the use of a no-knock entry by a peace officer in certain municipalities.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2554 (By Gates), Relating to the establishment of joint vocational school districts to provide eligible high school students with vocational and educational training under a plan for the issuance of a high school diploma, the funding of those districts under the foundation school program, and the operation of certain vocational education charter programs.

To Public Education.

HB 2555 (By Neave, Button, Collier, M. González, and Meyer), Relating to evidence included in the statewide electronic tracking system for evidence of a sexual assault or other sex offense and to a report on the status of evidence in that system.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2556 (By Neave and C. Morales), Relating to designating September 30 as Vanessa Guillén Day.

To Defense and Veterans' Affairs.

HB 2557 (By Rogers), Relating to a school security volunteer program.

To Public Education.

HB 2558 (By Capriglione), Relating to prohibited state contracts with companies that discriminate against the firearm or ammunition industries.

To State Affairs.

HB 2559 (By Martinez), Relating to the authority of an independent school district to change the date of the general election for officers.

To Public Education.

HB 2560 (By Martinez), Relating to remote meetings under the open meetings law.

To State Affairs.

HB 2561 (By Martinez), Relating to deputy sheriff civil service appeals of certain sheriff's department actions.

To County Affairs.

HB 2562 (By Pacheco), Relating to certifying the Railroad Commission of Texas as the independent organization for the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2563 (By Crockett), Relating to the interconnection of a solar energy device to an electricity distribution system.

To State Affairs.

HB 2564 (By Crockett), Relating to mailed notice of the intent to obtain certain environmental permits.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2565 (By Crockett), Relating to the release on parole of certain inmates during a public health emergency.

To Corrections.

HB 2566 (By Darby), Relating to newborn and infant hearing screenings.

To Public Health.

HB 2567 (By Sanford), Relating to the authority of the board of trustees of a school district to enter into a contract or agreement with a public or private entity for the use of facilities for district events.

To Public Education.

HB 2568 (By Crockett), Relating to the manufacture, delivery, and possession of certain tetrahydrocannabinols under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2569 (By Cortez), Relating to the dates a retail fireworks permit holder may sell fireworks to the public.

To County Affairs.

HB 2570 (By Kuempel), Relating to the prizes awarded in certain pull-tab bingo games.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2571 (By Slaton), Relating to the removal, relocation, alteration, or construction of certain monuments or memorials located on public property.

To Culture, Recreation, and Tourism.

HB 2572 (By Reynolds), Relating to the creation of the office of law enforcement oversight.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2573 (By Kuempel), Relating to the applicability of certain municipal ordinances in the municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

To Land and Resource Management.

HB 2574 (By Beckley), Relating to the applicability of nepotism prohibitions to the appointment of certain election officers.

To Elections.

HB 2575 (By Beckley), Relating to the procedure by which certain voters receive ballots to be voted by mail for each election held during a certain period.

To Elections.

HB 2576 (By Beckley), Relating to certain primary referendums.

To Elections.

HB 2577 (By Kuempel), Relating to the light-duty motor vehicle purchase or lease incentive program.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2578 (By Leach), Relating to the comptroller's establishment and operation of a public information Internet website.

To State Affairs.

HB 2579 (By Leach), Relating to court reporting.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2580 (By Leach), Relating to the operation and administration of the State Office of Administrative Hearings, including procedures during a declared disaster and the use of videoconferencing technology to conduct administrative hearings.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2581 (By Kacal), Relating to civil works projects and other construction projects of governmental entities.

To State Affairs.

HB 2582 (By Campos), Relating to a full-time, on-site property manager or security guard at certain housing facilities operated by public housing authorities.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2583 (By Campos), Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for a peace officer who fails to report the suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an elderly person or a person with a disability.

To Human Services.

HB 2584 (By Crockett), Relating to temporary branch polling places.

To Elections.

HB 2585 (By Crockett), Relating to recall elections for members of the governing body of a home-rule municipality who are elected from single-member districts.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2586 (By Thierry), Relating to an annual audit of the independent organization certified for the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2587 (By Sanford), Relating to the censorship of users' expressions by an interactive computer service.

To State Affairs.

HB 2588 (By Crockett), Relating to a limitation on the authority to arrest a person for certain misdemeanors.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2589 (By Howard), Relating to crime scene investigation services; authorizing fees.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2590 (By Leach), Relating to the time for the issuance of municipal building permits.

To Land and Resource Management.

HB 2591 (By Leach), Relating to the removal of certain unconstitutional provisions from real property records.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2592 (By Moody), Relating to authorizing certain municipalities and counties to enter into interlocal contracts for the provision of law enforcement services.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2593 (By Moody), Relating to the criminal penalties for the possession of certain tetrahydrocannabinols under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2594 (By Moody), Relating to the definition of political advertising for purposes of certain laws regulating political communications, funds, and campaigns.

To Elections.

HB 2595 (By Price), Relating to educational materials and parity law training regarding benefits for mental health conditions and substance use disorders to be made available through a complaint portal and otherwise; designating October as mental health condition and substance use disorder parity awareness month.

To Insurance.

HB 2596 (By Patterson, Oliverson, Guerra, and Price), Relating to the identification requirements for health professionals associated with certain health facilities; authorizing administrative and civil penalties.

To Public Health.

HB 2597 (By Paul), Relating to prohibiting camping in certain places; creating a criminal offense.

To State Affairs.

HB 2598 (By Patterson), Relating to the eligibility of a first responder for workers' compensation benefits for post-traumatic stress disorder.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2599 (By Paul), Relating to ownership and use of mobile batteries to restore electric service after a natural disaster in the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2600 (By Paul), Relating to fiscal impact statements for legislation imposing mandates on health benefit plan issuers.

To State Affairs.

HB 2601 (By Paul), Relating to the use of a device capable of recording images or sounds during election proceedings.

To Elections.

HB 2602 (By Paul), Relating to hours of service by an election watcher.

To Elections.

HB 2603 (By Shaheen), Relating to a direct primary care model pilot program for Medicaid.

To Human Services.

HB 2604 (By Allison), Relating to the exclusion of school facilities from load shedding participation during a rolling blackout.

To State Affairs.

HB 2605 (By Rosenthal), Relating to prevention of and safety requirements regarding sudden cardiac arrest affecting public school students participating in interscholastic athletics.

To Public Education.

HB 2606 (By Perez), Relating to the creation of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 578; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

To Land and Resource Management.

HB 2607 (By Talarico and Button), Relating to the powers and duties of the Texas Workforce Commission and local workforce development boards regarding the provision of child care and the subsidized child care program.

To International Relations and Economic Development.

HB 2608 (By Collier), Relating to the appointment of attorneys representing indigent defendants in criminal proceedings.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2609 (By Parker and Oliverson), Relating to advance directives or health care or treatment decisions made by or on behalf of patients.

To Public Health.

HB 2610 (By Harless), Relating to the deadline to begin a county fire code inspection in certain counties.

To County Affairs.

HB 2611 (By Raney), Relating to the direct reimbursement of certain employers under the skills development fund.

To International Relations and Economic Development.

HB 2612 (By Raney), Relating to the provision of Medicaid and child health plan program services using telecommunications or information technology and to reimbursement for those services.

To Public Health.

HB 2613 (By Murr), Relating to the composition of the court of appeals districts.

To Redistricting.

HB 2614 (By Romero), Relating to administrative penalties assessed by the Texas Workforce Commission against certain employers for failure to pay wages.

To International Relations and Economic Development.

HB 2615 (By Goodwin), Relating to the length of the early voting period.

To Elections.

HB 2616 (By White), Relating to a voluntary labeling program for meat and poultry products originating in this state.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2617 (By Lopez), Relating to the rights of a residential tenant and duties of a landlord regarding a security deposit provided by the tenant.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2618 (By Hernandez), Relating to the exception to disclosure under the public information law of certain personal information contained in a citation issued for a violation of a state traffic law or local traffic ordinance.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2619 (By Wilson), Relating to the creation and administration of the On-The-Ground Conservation Program by the State Soil and Water Conservation Board.

To Agriculture and Livestock.

HB 2620 (By Wilson), Relating to the treatment of wineries during a state of disaster or emergency.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2621 (By Murr), Relating to the limitation on the amount of a subcontractor's lien for labor or materials.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2622 (By Holland, Paddie, Canales, White, and Metcalf), Relating to the enforcement of certain federal laws regulating firearms, firearm accessories, and firearm ammunition within the State of Texas.

To State Affairs.

HB 2623 (By Sanford), Relating to suits for tax refunds.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2624 (By Ordaz Perez), Relating to a restriction on total charges charged for certain extensions of consumer credit that are facilitated by credit access businesses and entered into by consumers residing in disaster areas.

To Pensions, Investments, and Financial Services.

HB 2625 (By Noble), Relating to excluding the furnishing of an academic transcript from the definition of "information service" for purposes of sales and use taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2626 (By Noble), Relating to the imposition of the use tax on tangible personal property purchased in another state and transferred to an affiliate of the purchaser before being brought into this state for storage, use, or other consumption.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2627 (By Thierry), Relating to the clarification of certain provisions regarding taxes imposed on the sale, rental, and use of motor vehicles.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2628 (By Thierry), Relating to the administration and collection of motor vehicle sales and use taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2629 (By S. Thompson), Relating to the establishment of a registry for and requiring the registration of certain unmanned teller machines; imposing a fee; providing a civil penalty.

To Pensions, Investments, and Financial Services.

HB 2630 (By Leach), Relating to the governing body and corporate officers of the independent organization certified to manage the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2631 (By Krause), Relating to the use of in-custody informant testimony in a criminal trial.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2632 (By Minjarez), Relating to the Preparation for Adult Living Program and other services for foster children transitioning to independent living.

To Human Services.

HB 2633 (By A. Johnson, S. Thompson, Bonnen, and Leach), Relating to resources provided to human trafficking victims and the establishment of the trafficked persons grant program.

To Human Services.

HB 2634 (By Dutton), Relating to standing in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

HB 2635 (By Goodwin), Relating to the medical accuracy of informational materials given to a woman seeking an abortion.

To Public Health.

HB 2636 (By Lopez), Relating to health benefit plan coverage of at-home diagnostic medical devices.

To Insurance.

HB 2637 (By Cook), Relating to the creation of the urban air mobility advisory committee.

To Transportation.

HB 2638 (By Meza), Relating to periods of customer curtailment for multifamily properties during rolling blackouts.

To State Affairs.

HB 2639 (By C. Morales), Relating to a study by the Public Utility Commission of Texas on the interconnection of electric transmission service facilities with the United Mexican States.

To State Affairs.

HB 2640 (By T. King), Relating to authorizing certain political subdivisions to change the date on which their general election for officers is held.

To Elections.

HB 2641 (By Rodriguez), Relating to annually adjusting for inflation the maximum amount of a motor vehicle excluded in determining eligibility for the supplemental nutrition assistance program.

To Human Services.

HB 2642 (By Campos), Relating to the prioritization for the delivery of electric utility services in an emergency to certain housing facilities operated by municipal housing authorities.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2643 (By Campos), Relating to the development of a plan for the provision of food and water in an emergency to certain housing facilities operated by public housing authorities.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2644 (By Campos), Relating to the provision of an emergency power source to residents of certain public housing facilities.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2645 (By T. King), Relating to the election of certain junior college district trustees by plurality vote.

To Higher Education.

HB 2646 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to the consideration for approval by the executive director of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality of an application for a standard permit for a concrete batch plant.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2647 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to the release of certain inmates on medically recommended intensive supervision.

To Corrections.

HB 2648 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to the issuance of a summons for certain persons charged with a violation of a condition of release on parole or to mandatory supervision.

To Corrections.

HB 2649 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to the women who are eligible for certification as owners of a historically underutilized business.

To State Affairs.

HB 2650 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to law enforcement agency policies regarding the placement of a child taken into possession by a peace officer during the arrest of a person.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2651 (By J. González), Relating to health benefit plan coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs.

To Insurance.

HB 2652 (By Larson), Relating to establishing an advisory board to study surface water and groundwater interaction.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2653 (By Larson), Relating to the review date under the Texas Sunset Act for the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the independent organization certified for the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2654 (By Shine), Relating to the determination of whether a person is intoxicated for purposes of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2655 (By Crockett), Relating to a Department of Public Safety database concerning peace officer misconduct.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2656 (By Moody), Relating to licensing examinations for certain court interpreters.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2657 (By Larson), Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to ensure the independent organization certified for the ERCOT power region has adequate reserve power to prevent blackout conditions.

To State Affairs.

HB 2658 (By Frank), Relating to the operation and administration of certain health insurance programs and medical assistance program.

To Human Services.

HB 2659 (By Rosenthal), Relating to reporting requirements for certain accidental discharges or spills.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2660 (By Leman), Relating to the jurisdiction and management of the Star of the Republic Museum by the Texas Historical Commission.

To Culture, Recreation, and Tourism.

HB 2661 (By Muñoz), Relating to rolling blackouts.

To State Affairs.

HB 2662 (By Krause), Relating to the elimination of certain regulations waived during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

To State Affairs.

HB 2663 (By Howard), Relating to the rate of state sales and use taxes imposed on certain personal services and the use of a portion of the revenue from those taxes for sexual assault programs; increasing the rates of taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2664 (By Martinez), Relating to the authority of an independent school district to change the date of the general election and terms for officers.

To Public Education.

HB 2665 (By Leman), Relating to the size, terms, and election of boards of directors of certain insurance companies.

To Insurance.

HB 2666 (By Neave), Relating to a veterans suicide prevention public awareness campaign.

To Defense and Veterans' Affairs.

HB 2667 (By Smithee), Relating to the definition of telecommunications providers and the Texas Universal Service Fund, authorizing an assessment.

To State Affairs.

HB 2668 (By Price), Relating to the effect of certain reductions in a health benefit plan enrollee's out-of-pocket expenses for prescription drugs on enrollee cost-sharing requirements.

To Insurance.

HB 2669 (By Guillen), Relating to the confidentiality of a child's criminal records related to certain misdemeanor offenses.

To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

HB 2670 (By Guillen), Relating to the eligibility of social workers for the Homes for Texas Heroes home loan program.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2671 (By Guillen), Relating to the operations, communications, and notice procedures of state agencies and political subdivisions.

To State Affairs.

HB 2672 (By Guillen), Relating to public inspection of certain early voting information; creating a criminal offense.

To Elections.

HB 2673 (By Guillen), Relating to the reimbursement of excess costs incurred by a recipient of certain grants awarded by the Texas Department of Transportation.

To Transportation.

HB 2674 (By Guillen), Relating to the agreement requirements for receiving a scholarship under the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program.

To Higher Education.

HB 2675 (By Guillen), Relating to a license to carry a handgun for a person who is at increased risk of becoming a victim of violence.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2676 (By Bonnen), Relating to the creation and optional filing of a record of life for an unborn child and the use of a certificate of stillbirth; authorizing fees.

To Public Health.

HB 2677 (By Bonnen), Relating to the name of the statewide alert system for certain missing adults.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2678 (By Bonnen), Relating to the designation of the portion of State Highway 3 in Dickinson as the Sergeant Andrew James Creighton Memorial Highway.

To Defense and Veterans' Affairs.

HB 2679 (By M. González), Relating to human sexuality education in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 2680 (By Hull), Relating to certain procedures relating to children placed under a parental child safety placement.

To Human Services.

HB 2681 (By Wilson), Relating to public school elective courses providing academic study of the Bible offered to certain students.

To Public Education.

HB 2682 (By M. González), Relating to digital citizenship instruction in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 2683 (By Canales), Relating to requirements for open meetings that are broadcast over the Internet or held by telephone conference or videoconference call.

To State Affairs.

HB 2684 (By Canales), Relating to the expunction of arrest records and files and the issuance of orders of nondisclosure of criminal history record information for certain persons.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2685 (By Thierry), Relating to a pilot program to provide Medicaid coverage for doula services.

To Human Services.

HB 2686 (By Reynolds), Relating to interconnection of transmission facilities in ERCOT with transmission facilities outside of ERCOT.

To State Affairs.

HB 2687 (By Reynolds), Relating to the prevention of power blackouts.

To State Affairs.

HB 2688 (By VanDeaver), Relating to the term of office for certain trustees of an independent school district.

To Public Education.

HB 2689 (By Reynolds), Relating to the creation of the Climate Change Impact Assessment Council.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2690 (By Reynolds), Relating to the authority of certain municipalities to receive certain tax revenue derived from a hotel and convention center project and related establishments and to pledge certain tax revenue for the payment of obligations related to the project.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2691 (By Slaton), Relating to the election of commissioners of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To State Affairs.

HB 2692 (By Landgraf), Relating to the regulation of radioactive waste; reducing a surcharge; reducing a fee.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2693 (By Toth), Relating to the provision of and professional liability insurance coverage for gender transitioning or gender reassignment medical procedures and treatments for certain children.

To Public Health.

HB 2694 (By Moody), Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offense of organized retail theft.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2695 (By Noble), Relating to municipalities and counties that adopt budgets that defund law enforcement agencies.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2696 (By Morrison), Relating to eligibility for a loan under the disaster recovery loan program.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2697 (By Moody), Relating to the making of an anatomical gift.

To Public Health.

HB 2698 (By Kuempel), Relating to covers or barriers on the windows and doors of and other obstructions of the view of certain alcoholic beverage retailers.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2699 (By Martinez), Relating to the acceptance of a provisional ballot after a natural disaster.

To Elections.

HB 2700 (By Martinez), Relating to agreements for municipal maintenance of state highway right-of-way.

To Transportation.

HB 2701 (By Slaton), Relating to certain requirements for activation of the Texas National Guard into active combat duty.

To Defense and Veterans' Affairs.

HB 2702 (By Landgraf), Relating to the protective order registry maintained by the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System and the removal of a vacated protective order from the registry.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2703 (By Landgraf), Relating to the removal of a vacated protective order from the protective order registry maintained by the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2704 (By Morrison), Relating to the treatment of certain limited liability companies as passive entities for purposes of the franchise tax.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2705 (By Stucky, Crockett, and A. Johnson), Relating to the establishment and administration of the Texas Woman's University System.

To Higher Education.

HB 2706 (By Howard), Relating to the reporting of sexual assault and other sex offenses, to the emergency services and care provided to victims of those offenses, and to the processes associated with preserving and analyzing the evidence of those offenses.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2707 (By Bonnen), Relating to the state contribution to the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

To Appropriations.

HB 2708 (By Patterson, Holland, and Shaheen), Relating to the use of certain fees deposited to the hazardous and solid waste remediation fee account for environmental remediation at a closed battery recycling facility site located in a municipality.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2709 (By J.E. Johnson), Relating to an application for court-ordered mental health services

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2710 (By Bowers), Relating to an exemption to the cancellation of a water right for nonuse.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2711 (By Hinojosa), Relating to the continuation of a residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation while the owner is temporarily absent because of service outside of the United States as a foreign service officer employed by the United States Department of State.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2712 (By Dutton), Relating to the admissibility of certain evidence in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

HB 2713 (By Hefner), Relating to the removal, relocation, alteration, or construction of certain monuments or memorials located on public property; providing civil penalties.

To Culture, Recreation, and Tourism.

HB 2714 (By Hernandez), Relating to implicit bias training for justices and judges of state courts, judicial officers, certain court personnel, and attorneys licensed to practice law in this state.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2715 (By Lucio), Relating to the system for appraising property for ad valorem tax purposes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2716 (By T. King), Relating to recommendations made by the Parks and Wildlife Department and intervention by the Parks and Wildlife Department in matters regarding certain permits.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2717 (By Landgraf), Relating to certain requirements for water systems.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2718 (By Lucio), Relating to the punishment for possession of small amounts of certain controlled substances listed in Penalty Group 2.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2719 (By Lucio), Relating to indemnification clauses in commercial leases.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2720 (By Lucio), Relating to the authority of a Type A economic development corporation to provide grants and loans to small businesses during a declared state of disaster.

To International Relations and Economic Development.

HB 2721 (By Lucio), Relating to prohibiting a student from participating in future extracurricular activities for certain conduct involving the assault of an extracurricular activity official.

To Public Education.

HB 2722 (By Deshotel), Relating to special purpose territory of the Port of Beaumont Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas.

To Transportation.

HB 2723 (By Meyer), Relating to public notice of the availability on the Internet of property-tax-related information.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2724 (By Krause), Relating to the removal and disposal of abandoned fishing devices and the seizure and disposition of unlawful fishing devices.

To Culture, Recreation, and Tourism.

HB 2725 (By Martinez Fischer), Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for using certain materially false or misleading statements in the commission of the offense of fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2726 (By Martinez Fischer), Relating to eligibility to serve as a member of a board of directors of certain public improvement districts.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2727 (By Hefner), Relating to voluntary and informed consent to an abortion.

To Public Health.

HB 2728 (By Martinez Fischer), Relating to the designation of January 27 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

To Culture, Recreation, and Tourism.

HB 2729 (By Slaton), Relating to in-person visitation of an immediate family member or religious counsel with seriously ill or dying hospital patients and facility residents.

To Public Health.

HB 2730 (By Deshotel), Relating to the acquisition of real property by an entity with eminent domain authority.

To Land and Resource Management.

HB 2731 (By Guillen), Relating to the regulation of historical racing pari-mutuel wagering by licensed horse and greyhound racetracks and the distribution of certain live, simulcast, and historical pari-mutuel pools.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2732 (By Beckley), Relating to strategic communication between the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Railroad Commission of Texas during a disaster.

To State Affairs.

HB 2733 (By Tinderholt), Relating to defendants restricted to the operation of a vehicle equipped with an ignition interlock device or required to submit to alcohol monitoring and establishing a central database of those defendants.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2734 (By Tinderholt), Relating to the limitation on administration and use of certain assessment instruments in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 2735 (By Tinderholt), Relating to the authority of certain counties to use an alternate work period for county peace officers.

To County Affairs.

HB 2736 (By Hinojosa), Relating to a report by the Public Utility Commission of Texas on the ability of electric generators to respond to abnormal weather conditions.

To State Affairs.

HB 2737 (By Minjarez), Relating to notifying an alleged perpetrator of child abuse or neglect of the person's rights in connection with an investigation conducted by the Department of Family and Protective Services.

To Human Services.

HB 2738 (By Hernandez), Relating to the provision of uninsured or underinsured motorist coverage in automobile liability insurance policies.

To Insurance.

HB 2739 (By Lopez), Relating to state agency information on child-care services available to veterans and their families.

To Defense and Veterans' Affairs.

HB 2740 (By Lopez), Relating to the posting of certain business and occupational licensing information on state agency websites and the Texas Veterans Portal.

To Defense and Veterans' Affairs.

HB 2741 (By Raymond), Relating to eligibility for a service retirement annuity of members of the elected class of the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

To Pensions, Investments, and Financial Services.

HB 2742 (By Reynolds), Relating to the reentry and reintegration programs provided by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

To Corrections.

HB 2743 (By Metcalf), Relating to the salary of certain employees who transfer within a state agency.

To State Affairs.

HB 2744 (By Goodwin), Relating to funding for small and mid-sized open-enrollment charter schools.

To Public Education.

HB 2745 (By Rosenthal), Relating to regulation by the Railroad Commission of Texas of the geologic storage of anthropogenic carbon dioxide.

To Energy Resources.

HB 2746 (By Ellzey), Relating to the punishment for the criminal offense of use of laser pointers; increasing a criminal penalty.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2747 (By Ellzey), Relating to increasing the criminal penalty for participating in a riot.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2748 (By Ellzey), Relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain municipalities.

To Transportation.

HB 2749 (By Ellzey), Relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain counties.

To Transportation.

HB 2750 (By Pacheco), Relating to the exemption of certain activities from regulation as a structural pest control service.

To Agriculture and Livestock.

HB 2751 (By Meza), Relating to limitations on the use of administrative segregation by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

To Corrections.

HB 2752 (By Meza), Relating to a study on the impact of the use of administrative segregation on inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

To Corrections.

HB 2753 (By Meza), Relating to coverage for conversion therapy by a health benefit plan offered by a public employer.

To Insurance.

HB 2754 (By Allen), Relating to post-release housing for inmates released on parole or to mandatory supervision.

To Corrections.

HB 2755 (By Lucio), Relating to health benefit coverage for general anesthesia in connection with certain pediatric dental services.

To Insurance.

HB 2756 (By Allen), Relating to the donation of food by public school campuses.

To Public Education.

HB 2757 (By Cyrier), Relating to the eligibility of certain nonprofit wildlife conservation associations to conduct charitable raffles.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2758 (By Smith), Relating to training for physicians in identification and assistance of victims of human trafficking.

To Public Health.

HB 2759 (By Vasut), Relating to the governing body of the independent organization certified to manage the ERCOT power region.

To State Affairs.

HB 2760 (By White), Relating to the right to choose and refuse medical treatment and control measures and to the imposition of isolation or quarantine control measures.

To Public Health.

HB 2761 (By Israel), Relating to disclosure requirements for accident and health coverage and health expense arrangements marketed to individuals.

To Insurance.

HB 2762 (By Rogers), Relating to the exclusion of certain facilities from load shedding participation during a rolling blackout.

To State Affairs.

HB 2763 (By Rogers), Relating to the exclusion of broadcasting facilities from load shedding participation during a rolling blackout.

To State Affairs.

HB 2764 (By Rogers), Relating to eligibility to be a candidate for, or elected or appointed to, a public elective office in this state.

To Elections.

HB 2765 (By Rogers), Relating to the creation of a rural dual credit grant program by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

To Higher Education.

HB 2766 (By Rogers), Relating to the creation of a rural dual credit pilot program by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

To Higher Education.

HB 2767 (By Rogers), Relating to a study on the equity gap in the accessibility of dual credit courses to public high school students.

To Higher Education.

HB 2768 (By K. King), Relating to the composition of the board of directors of the Booker Hospital District.

To County Affairs.

HB 2769 (By Campos), Relating to the essential knowledge and skills of the technology applications curriculum for public school students.

To Public Education.

HB 2770 (By Campos), Relating to restrictions on the admission of and care provided to individuals by certain nursing facilities during a public health emergency.

To Human Services.

HB 2771 (By Campos), Relating to the prices of fruits and vegetables during a declared disaster; creating a criminal offense.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2772 (By Campos), Relating to the definitions of family violence and household member for purposes of crime victims' compensation.

To Juvenile Justice and Family Issues.

HB 2773 (By Hinojosa), Relating to the dismissal of the department head of a police department in certain municipalities.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2774 (By Campos), Relating to the reimbursement of residents of public housing authorities for certain losses resulting from a disaster.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2775 (By Cain), Relating to electricity service provided by certain municipally owned utilities.

To State Affairs.

HB 2776 (By Deshotel), Relating to municipal release of extraterritorial jurisdiction and disannexation involving certain areas.

To Land and Resource Management.

HB 2777 (By Pacheco), Relating to the regulation of reroofing contractors; providing administrative and civil penalties; authorizing fees; requiring an occupational registration.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2778 (By Reynolds), Relating to the model training curriculum and required training for school district peace officers and school resource officers, including the establishment of a grant program to assist officers in completing the training, and to instruction for public high school students about interacting with law enforcement.

To Public Education.

HB 2779 (By Pacheco), Relating to the regulation as a public insurance adjuster of certain persons acting on behalf of an insured for a real or personal property insurance claim.

To Insurance.

HB 2780 (By Paddie), Relating to the safety of aboveground storage tanks.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2781 (By A. Johnson, Bonnen, and Landgraf), Relating to the prosecution of and punishment for an aggravated assault occurring as part of a mass shooting; increasing a criminal penalty.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2782 (By Dean), Relating to businesses' civil liability for COVID-19 exposure.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2783 (By J. González), Relating to the prosecution and punishment of the offense of prostitution and to a fine imposed on conviction of certain trafficking of persons and prostitution offenses.

To Appropriations.

HB 2784 (By J. González), Relating to a defendant's payment of costs associated with a court-appointed counsel.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2785 (By Vasut), Relating to access to public information maintained by independent organizations established under Section 39.151, Utilities Code.

To State Affairs.

HB 2786 (By Vasut), Relating to load shedding participation for certain customers during a rolling blackout.

To State Affairs.

HB 2787 (By Middleton and Raney), Relating to repeal of certain Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 exemption provisions relating to pharmacy benefits.

To Insurance.

HB 2788 (By Leach), Relating to civil actions or arbitrations involving transportation network companies.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 2789 (By Vasut), Relating to charges imposed by a governmental body for providing copies of public information under the public information law.

To State Affairs.

HB 2790 (By Shaheen), Relating to the eligibility of a person to serve on the appraisal review board of certain appraisal districts.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2791 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to confinement and treatment in a substance abuse felony punishment facility under a plea bargain agreement.

To Corrections.

HB 2792 (By Darby), Relating to a pilot project to provide emergency telemedicine medical services in rural areas.

To Public Health.

HB 2793 (By J.D. Johnson), Relating to parole determinations and individual treatment plans for inmates.

To Corrections.

HB 2794 (By S. Thompson), Relating to evidence in prosecutions of trafficking or certain sexual offenses.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2795 (By S. Thompson), Relating to the offense of solicitation of prostitution and certain other consequences of that offense; increasing a criminal penalty; making conforming changes.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2796 (By Patterson), Relating to the regulation of bulk-power system equipment by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To State Affairs.

HB 2797 (By Dean), Relating to prices charged by freestanding emergency medical care facilities during a declared state of disaster; providing administrative penalties.

To Public Health.

HB 2798 (By Wilson), Relating to the requirement that a peace officer take possession of a person's driver's license following the person's failure to pass or refusal to consent to a test for intoxication.

To Homeland Security and Public Safety.

HB 2799 (By Wilson), Relating to the election of one commissioner of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To State Affairs.

HB 2800 (By Dean), Relating to the limitation on administration and use of certain assessment instruments in public schools.

To Public Education.

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees as follows:

March 16

Juvenile Justice and Family Issues - **HB 39, HB 454, HB 675, HB 851, HB 865, HB 867**

Licensing and Administrative Procedures - **HB 817**

