

SUBJECT: Revising height limit for Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium

COMMITTEE: Higher Education — committee substitute recommended

VOTE: 9 ayes — Kuempel, Paul, Bucy, Burns, Clardy, Cole, M. González,
Howard, Lalani

0 nays

2 absent — Burrows, Raney

WITNESSES: For — (*Registered, but did not testify*: Thomas Parkinson)

Against — None

On — (*Registered, but did not testify*: Brent Stringfellow, UT Austin)

BACKGROUND: Government Code sec. 3151.003 restricts the height of the Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium and related improvements to 666 feet above sea level for the purposes of preserving a view of the Capitol.

Some have suggested that the height restrictions for the Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium should be updated due to expansion and modernization of the north end of the stadium.

DIGEST: CSHB 2415 would allow the "north end" of the Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium or a related improvement to the north end to exceed 666 feet above sea level. The bill would provide for the specific coordinates that would constitute the "north end of the stadium."

The bill would take effect September 1, 2023.