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TEXAS LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
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Today marks the 60th day of the session and the end of the open filing period for non-local bills. As always at this point, a flood of bill introductions occurs. Please continue to review the raw tracking report for bills of interest. The committee hearing phase of the session will now take precedence, as the committee referral process catches up with the multitude of new bills.

On Tuesday, the Senate State Affairs Committee heard 14 hours of testimony from over 450 witnesses – largely in opposition – to SB 6, the "Bathroom Bill". The measure by Sen. Lois Kolkhorst (R-Brenham), and strongly advocated Lt. Gov. Patrick, pits perceived women's room safety issues against perceived transgender discrimination and safety concerns. A committee vote of 7-1 early Wednesday morning advanced the bill to the full Senate.

As the Senate focused on bathrooms, the House rolled out a \$1.6 billion plan to overhaul the way the state funds public education. The proposal authored by House Education Chair Dan Huberty (R-Kingwood), although not a comprehensive fix, was lauded by school districts as a significant step in addressing school finance reform. Chairman Huberty has taken private school vouchers off the table in the House, a move at odds with the Senate leadership's education priorities.

House leaders also proposed tapping \$1.4 billion from the state's "Rainy Day" funds. The supplemental bill filed by Appropriations Chair Rep. John Zerwas (R-Richmond) would cover a number of shortfalls and unexpected costs in the current budget cycle. Use of the Rainy Day fund is a move also not favored by the Senate leadership at this time.

The BLS is tracking legislation in ten (10) general subject-matter categories. Periodic updates will come in two parts, the first part, below, is a summary of pertinent bill and issues within the categories. The second part contains a detailed list of all bills being tracked within the categories.

A -- Section Prepared Bills

Bills in this category are proposed by the Texas Business Law Foundation ("TBLF").

Business Organization Code -- Corporations and Nonprofit Associations

Substantive and technical amendments to the BOC developed by the BLS BOC Drafting Committee, addressing corporation, nonprofit corporation, and nonprofit association actions and matters, including share issuance, dividends, and ownership; director voting; mergers and conversions; defective act ratification; records transparency; and notice uniformity.

[SB 1518](#) (Hancock)/[HB 2827](#) (Oliveira) - The filed versions will require corrections in a committee substitute. The Senate bill was filed this week. Neither bill has been referred to committee yet.

Business Organization Code -- Partnerships and LLCs

Substantive and technical amendments to the BOC developed by the BLS BOC Drafting Committee, affecting partnership, limited liability company, and series LLC actions and matters, including company and partnership agreement enforceability; officer vacancies; series LLC status; liability clarification; business names; service of process; records transparency; and winding up.

[SB 1517](#) (Hancock)/[HB 2826](#) (Oliveira) - The Senate companion was filed this week. Neither bill has been referred yet.

Uniform Trade Secrets Act

Amends the TUTSA, conforming it to recent modifications to the uniform act and federal law.

[SB 1945](#) (Hughes)/[HB 1995](#) (Elkins) - Filed in the House, not yet referred. Sen. Brian Hughes (R-Mineola) filed the Senate bill today.

Business Names

Adopts the "distinguishable name" standard rather than the current "deceptively similar" standard in the reservation of business names, as supported by the Secretary of State.

[SB 1835](#) (Estes) /[HB 2856](#) (Villalba) - The filed versions here will also require corrections in a committee substitute. The Senate companion also was filed this week. Neither bill has been referred yet.

B -- Business Courts

Chancery Court

[HB 2594](#) (Villalba) - Establishes a dedicated business court system in Texas to handle specific business litigation.

Filed in the House, not yet referred. Discussions continue with Rep. Villalba on starting stakeholder meetings and the development of a consensus committee substitute.

C -- Business Entities

Shareholder Oppression

Debate continues over the need to codify certain minority shareholder protections in the wake of *Ritchie v. Rupe*. During the legislative interim, the House Business and Commerce Committee studied the issue, receiving pro and con testimony. Byron Egan, on behalf of the TBLF, presented compelling testimony that adequate remedies exist under current law and that additional codification on the subject is not needed, and likely would cause harmful uncertainty in business entity organization. B&C declined to make a recommendation on the issue.

Rep. Ron Simmons (R-Carrollton), the leading proponent for action on the subject, continues to review. No bill has yet been filed.

Ethics/Interests in Government Contracts

[HB 1295](#) (Capriglione) - Amendment package to previous HB 1295 to clarify and simplify business entity compliance with the bill's required disclosures when contracting with a government entity. The bill increases the number of business entities exempt from the registration requirements (publicly traded entities and "direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiaries"; FDIC insured institutions; certain utilities; and insurance companies). For those entities not exempt, a number of questions regarding the extent of the registration requirements remain unanswered. Additionally, the bill re-defines several terms, including "contract," in ways that add confusion regarding the requirements and adds a civil penalty (\$500 for the first day; \$100 per day thereafter to a maximum of \$10,000) for an entity that fails to file the registration or the disclosures contained therein, enforceable by the Texas Ethics Commission or the Attorney General.

Referred to General Investigating & Ethics. Discussions continue with stakeholders.

[HB 1610](#) (Kuempel) - An alternative amendment package to HB 1295. This bill would apply the registration only for contracts in excess of \$10 million and simplifies the registration requirements and is favored by a number of stakeholders.

Referred to General Investigating & Ethics.

Health Organization Corporations and Partnerships

[SB 679](#) (Hancock) - Adds chiropractors to existing authorizations for doctors of medicine, osteopathy, and podiatry to establish business entities jointly owned and controlled by those types of practitioners.

Heard in B&C on 3/09/17, left pending.

Nonprofit Corporation Filings

[HB 2674](#) (Uresti) - Adds Section 22.451 to the BOC, and requires nonprofits receiving 25% or more of income from state funding to file an annual report to the SOS showing employee and officer salaries.

Filed, not yet referred. The Nonprofit Organizations Committee has expressed concerns.

Benefit Corporations

[HB 3488](#) (Hinojosa) - Relating to authorizing the formation of public benefit corporations.

Filed, not yet referred.

D -- UCC

Awaiting the filing of additional bills and identification as to relevancy.

E -- Securities

Self Funding Status for State Securities Board

[HB 823](#) (Parker) - Gives the State Securities Board self-directed and semi-independent status, treating it similarly to the Texas Department of Banking.

Referred to Investments & Financial Services.

Activist Shareholders

[HB 2382](#) (Parker) - "The Bring Business to Texas and Disclosure Act". Imposes extensive disclosure requirements for certain "activist" investor actions.

Filed in House, not yet referred. Communications continue with Chairman Parker on the concept and the constitutional and technical problems with the bill's approach.

F -- Financial Institutions

Electronic Notarization

[SB 1193](#) (V. Taylor)/[HB 1217](#) (Parker) - Establishes electronic notaries public. An initiative by the Texas Mortgage Bankers Association, and others.

Senate bill referred to State Affairs. House bill referred to House State Affairs. Discussions continue with stakeholders on administrative issues with the proposal.

Texas Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets

[HB 2158](#) (Parker) - Establishes procedures for the agreed administration of digital assets (electronic records in which individuals have rights or interests) by financial institutions. A REPTL initiative.

Filed in the House, not yet referred. Review by impacted BLS lawyer review indicates it is a good bill.

Usury

[HB 2977](#) (Longoria) - Relating to methods of computing interest charges on certain consumer loans.

Finance Agency Regulation

Clarifies applicable law for licensees and others operating under the Finance Code.

[HB 3081](#) (Capriglione) - Relating to the regulation of persons and business activities subject to regulation by certain finance agencies.

[SB 1530](#) (Estes) - Relating to the regulation of persons and business activities subject to regulation by certain finance agencies.

G -- Business Liability

Director Liability Following Charter Revocation

Section 171.255, Tax Code, is designed to enforce the collection of corporate taxes by the Comptroller. The tax collection tool, however, exposes directors and officers to an excessive liability for *all* corporate debts during a revocation period should taxes not be paid. *Hovel v. Batzri*, currently on appeal the Texas Supreme Court, supports a customary and reasonable approach as to when a debt is created under the statute. Should the Court, however, overturn the *Hovel* decision, there is concern that the uncertainty and negative impact of the statute could be significantly increased.

Awaiting action by the Texas Supreme Court.

Foreign Money Judgments

[SB 944](#) (Hughes)/ [HB 2122](#) (Clardy) - Adopts the Uniform Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act.

Senate bill referred to State Affairs. House bill filed, not yet referred. BLS lawyer review indicates it is a good bill.

H -- Real Estate and Related Topics

Power of Attorney

[SB 926](#) (Rodriguez)/[HB 1974](#) (Wray) - Addresses significant modifications to the durable power of attorney provisions of Chapter 751, Estates Code, including mandatory acceptance.

Senate bill referred to State Affairs. House bill filed, not yet referred. The TBLF working team continues to propose revisions to Rep. Wray and REPTL. A final stakeholder meeting is pending.

I -- Taxation and Related Topics

Franchise Tax

Numerous bills pertaining to franchise tax reform, elimination, or cuts are being considered.

[SB 17](#) (Nelson) - Provides phased reduction and ultimate elimination of the franchise tax, based on revenue growth.

Heard in Finance 2/28/2017, left pending.

Property Tax

The Senate leadership has declared property tax reform and cuts as key components of its legislative priorities. The House has made similar representations.

[SB 2](#) (Bettencourt) - Designated package for ad valorem taxation reform, including an effective 4% cap on increases (without an election).

Scheduled for public hearing in Finance 3/14/17.

[HB 15](#) (Bonnen) - Comprehensive reform package proposed by the House. Also contains an increase cap of 4%.

Referred to Ways and Means.

J -- Choice of Law

Application of Foreign and International Law

Efforts to restrict the impact in Texas courts of certain perceived repugnant foreign laws or doctrines, or so called "Anti-Sharia" laws, continue. Bills could impact foreign judgment enforcement, use of foreign laws, and contractual choice of law and venue.

[HB 45](#) (Flynn) - Amends the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to prohibit application of foreign laws or contractual choice of law or venue provisions requiring foreign laws, if the foreign laws would violate rights under the U.S. or Texas constitutions.



Referred to Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 498](#) (Fallon) - Amends the Family Code and narrows application to marriages and parent-child relationships.

Referred to Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

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A - Section Prepared

HB 1995 Elkins, Gary(R) Relating to the Texas Uniform Trade Secrets Act.

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Filed

HB 2826 Oliveira, Rene(D) Relating to partnerships, limited liability companies, and other domestic and foreign entities and to series of limited liability companies and foreign entities.

Companions: SB 1517 Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
3- 8-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2827 Oliveira, Rene(D) Relating to corporations, associations, real estate investment trusts, and related entities.

Companions: SB 1518 Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
3- 8-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2856 Villalba, Jason(R) Relating to names of domestic and foreign filing entities for transacting business in this state.

Companions: SB 1835 Estes, Craig (Identical)
3- 9-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

SB 1517 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to partnerships, limited liability companies, and other domestic and foreign entities and to series of limited liability companies and foreign entities.

Companions: HB 2826 Oliveira, Rene (Identical)
3- 3-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-08-17 S Filed

SB 1518 Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to corporations, associations, real estate investment trusts, and related entities.

Companions: [HB 2827](#) Oliveira, Rene (Identical)
3- 3-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-08-17 S Filed

SB 1835 Estes, Craig(R) Relating to names of domestic and foreign filing entities for transacting business in this state.

Companions: [HB 2856](#) Villalba, Jason (Identical)
3- 3-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-09-17 S Filed

B - Business Courts

HB 2594 Villalba, Jason(R) Relating to the creation of the chancery court and the court of chancery appeals to hear certain cases.

Bill History: 03-01-17 H Filed

C - Business Entities

HB 89 King, Phil(R) Relating to state contracts with and investments in companies that boycott Israel.

Companions: [SB 29](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
3- 9-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 134](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate Business and
Commerce

Bill History: 11-14-16 H Filed

HB 225 Johnson, Eric(D) Relating to the prohibition of employment discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

Bill History: 02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Business and Industry

HB 228	Thompson, Senfronia(D)	Relating to unlawful employment practices regarding discrimination in payment of compensation.
Companions:		<div> <div>HB 187</div> <div>Thompson, Senfronia</div> <div>(Refiled from 84R Session)</div> </div> <div> <div>SB 65</div> <div>Ellis, Rodney</div> <div>(Refiled from 84R Session)</div> </div>
Bill History:		03-06-17 H Committee action pending House Business and Industry
HB 258	Anchia, Rafael(D)	Relating to a prohibition on the award of a state agency contract to a person in a state with laws allowing or requiring discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.
Bill History:		02-13-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
HB 317	Canales, Terry(D)	Relating to the consideration by certain employers of the consumer credit reports of certain employees and applicants for employment.
Bill History:		03-13-17 H Meeting set for 11:00 A.M., E2.016 - House Business and Industry
HB 334	Collier, Nicole(D)	Relating to the consideration by employers of the consumer credit reports or other credit information of employees and applicants for employment.
Bill History:		02-15-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry
HB 552	White, James(R)	Relating to the regulation of occupations by this state.
Bill History:		02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures
HB 996	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to the regulation of business entities that provide assistance animals.
Companions:		<div> <div>SB 1425</div> <div>Hancock, Kelly</div> <div>(Identical)</div> </div> <div>3- 8-17 S Filed</div>
Bill History:		02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to

committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures

HB 1142 Davis, Sarah(R) Relating to prohibiting governmental contracts with a company doing business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization.

Companions: SB 252 Taylor, Van (Identical)
1-30-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 01-19-17 H Filed

HB 1222 Rinaldi, Matt(R) Relating to the suspension of certain licenses held by private employers for the knowing employment of persons not lawfully present in this state.

Bill History: 02-22-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

HB 1295 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Relating to the disclosure of interested parties by business entities contracting with governmental entities and state agencies.

Bill History: 02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House General Investigating and Ethics

HB 1610 Kuempel, John(R) Relating to the disclosure of interested parties by business entities contracting with governmental entities or state agencies.

Bill History: 03-09-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House General Investigating and Ethics

HB 2248 Guerra, Bobby(D) Relating to the procedure for adoption by a state agency of rules that may have an adverse economic effect on small businesses and micro-businesses.

Companions: HB 1684 Guerra, Bobby (Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 522 Hinojosa, Chuy (Refiled from 84R Session)

Bill History: 02-22-17 H Filed

HB 2674	Uresti, Tomas (F)(D)	Relating to reporting requirements for certain nonprofit corporations regarding employee and officer salaries.
Bill History:		03-01-17 H Filed
HB 3488	Hinojosa, Gina (F)(D)	Relating to authorizing the formation of public benefit corporations.
Bill History:		03-08-17 H Filed
SB 29	Creighton, Brandon(R)	Relating to state contracts with and investments in companies that boycott Israel.
Companions:		<div>HB 89 King, Phil (Identical) 11-14-16 H Filed</div> <div>SB 134 Creighton, Brandon (Identical) 1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce</div>
Bill History:		03-09-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce
SB 134	Creighton, Brandon(R)	Relating to state contracts with and investments in companies that boycott Israel.
Companions:		<div>HB 89 King, Phil (Identical) 11-14-16 H Filed</div> <div>SB 29 Creighton, Brandon (Identical) 3- 9-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce</div>
Bill History:		01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 252	Taylor, Van(R)	Relating to prohibiting governmental contracts with a company doing business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization.
Companions:		HB 1142 Davis, Sarah (Identical) 1-19-17 H Filed
Bill History:		01-30-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 679	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to the authority of chiropractors to form certain business entities with certain other professions.
Companions:		HB 3820 Dale, Tony (Identical) 3- 9-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-09-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

SB 1410 Menendez, Jose(D) Relating to establishing a pilot program to assist small business in obtaining capital.

Bill History: 03-07-17 S Filed

SB 1477 West, Royce(D) Relating to ransomware.

Bill History: 03-08-17 S Filed

SB 1619 West, Royce(D) Relating to the creation of the offense of electronic access interference.

Bill History: 03-09-17 S Filed

D - UCC

E - Securities

HB 823 Parker, Tan(R) Relating to the self-directed and semi-independent status of the State Securities Board.

Bill History: 02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

HB 1090 Meyer, Morgan(R) Relating to the criminal penalties for insider trading and other misuse of official information by public servants.

Companions:

SB 111	Taylor, Van (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 140	Taylor, Van	(Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs		

Bill History: 02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House General Investigating and Ethics

HB 1701 Parker, Tan(R) Relating to the presentation of the investment policy of certain governmental entities to a business organization that conducts

investment transactions for the entity.

Bill History: 03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

HB 2382 Parker, Tan(R)

Relating to information required to be disclosed by certain investors of publicly traded companies whose headquarters are located in this state.

Bill History: 02-24-17 H Filed

HB 3367 Burrows, Dustin(R)

Relating to savings and loan associations, savings banks, residential mortgage loan originators and servicers, and other persons or entities under the regulatory jurisdiction of the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

HB 3438 Koop, Linda(R)

Relating to the creation of a state financing program administered by the Texas Public Finance Authority to assist school districts with certain expenses.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

SB 140 Taylor, Van(R)

Relating to the criminal penalties for insider trading and other misuse of official information by public servants.

Companions:

SB 111 Taylor, Van (F) (Refiled from 84R Session)
HB 1090 Meyer, Morgan (Identical)
2-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House General Investigating and Ethics

Bill History: 01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

F - Financial Institutions

HB 197 Bernal, Diego(D)

Relating to contracts and other documents issued by credit access businesses.

Bill History: 02-14-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial

Services

HB 411	Longoria, Oscar(D)	Relating to requiring photo identification for certain purchases paid with a credit card or debit card.
	Bill History:	02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services
HB 471	Johnson, Eric(D)	Relating to authorizing a credit union or other financial institution to conduct savings promotion raffles.
	Bill History:	02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services
HB 721	Longoria, Oscar(D)	Relating to photo identification requirements for certain stored value card transactions.
	Bill History:	02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services
HB 741	Bernal, Diego(D)	Relating to the affordability of extension of consumer credit.
	Bill History:	02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services
HB 877	Turner, Chris(D)	Relating to prohibiting certain telemarketing calls by a credit access business.
	Bill History:	03-13-17 H Meeting set for 11:00 A.M., E2.016 - House Business and Industry
HB 916	Thierry, Shawn (F)(D)	Relating to requiring financial institutions to report the suspected financial abuse of elderly persons.
	Companions:	<div> <div>SB 792</div> <div>Miles, Borris (F)</div> <div>(Identical)</div> <div>2-22-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce</div> </div>
	Bill History:	02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services
HB 959	Thierry, Shawn (F)(D)	Relating to the financial abuse of elderly persons, including requiring financial

institutions to report suspected financial abuse of elderly persons.

Companions: [SB 791](#) Miles, Borris (F) (Identical)
2-22-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 993](#) Walle, Amando(D)

Relating to the provision of accounting statements by mortgage servicers for certain loans secured by a lien on residential real property.

Companions: [HB 1239](#) Walle, Amando (Refiled from 84R Session)

Bill History: 02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 1134](#) Craddick, Tom(R)

Relating to credit services organizations and extensions of consumer credit facilitated by credit services organizations.

Bill History: 02-22-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 1143](#) Davis, Sarah(R)

Relating to investment prohibitions and divestment requirements for certain investments of public money.

Companions: [SB 253](#) Taylor, Van (Identical)
1-30-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 01-19-17 H Filed

[HB 1217](#) Parker, Tan(R)

Relating to appointment of and performance of notarial acts by an electronic notary public.

Bill History: 02-22-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

[HB 1712](#) Shaheen, Matt(R)

Relating to the abolishment of certain advisory committees.

Bill History: 03-13-17 H Meeting set for 2:00 P.M. or Adj., E2.028 - House Government Transparency and Operation

HB 1733 Uresti, Tomas (F)(D) Relating to the maximum permitted sum of fees, interest, and other amounts due under certain extensions of consumer credit.

Bill History: 03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

HB 1752 Farrar, Jessica(D) Relating to certain account disclosures provided by a financial institution to a customer.

Companions: SB 714 Seliger, Kel (Identical)
2-21-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 02-10-17 H Filed

HB 1760 Fallon, Pat(R) Relating to money transmissions sent to destinations outside the United States.

Bill History: 02-10-17 H Filed

HB 1767 Collier, Nicole(D) Relating to the collection of consumer debt by debt buyers.

Bill History: 02-13-17 H Filed

HB 1954 Murr, Andrew(R) Relating to convenience and trust accounts established at financial institutions.

Bill History: 02-15-17 H Filed

HB 2158 Parker, Tan(R) Relating to the adoption of the Texas Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act.

Companions: SB 1193 Taylor, Van (Identical)
3- 9-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-21-17 H Filed

HB 2176 Parker, Tan(R) Relating to surcharges imposed for the use of a credit card.

Companions: SB Hancock, Kelly (Identical)

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2- 8-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 02-21-17 H Filed

HB 2333 Elkins, Gary(R)

Relating to a breach of system security of a business that exposes consumer credit card or debit card information.

Companions: SB 1409 Menendez, Jose (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Filed

Bill History: 02-23-17 H Filed

HB 2579 Holland, Justin (F)(R)

Relating to the bond and other coverages required to be maintained by or for the benefit of a savings bank.

Bill History: 02-28-17 H Filed

HB 2580 Holland, Justin (F)(R)

Relating to criminal history record information obtained by the savings and mortgage lending commissioner.

Bill History: 02-28-17 H Filed

HB 2647 Stephenson, Phil(R)

Relating to authorized investments of public funds.

Bill History: 03-01-17 H Filed

HB 2656 Longoria, Oscar(D)

Relating to exemptions from the Residential Mortgage Loan Company Licensing and Registration Act.

Bill History: 03-01-17 H Filed

HB 2705 Lozano, Jose(R)

Relating to alternative education loans and to the use of higher education private activity bonds by qualified alternative education loan lenders.

Companions: SB 1380 Seliger, Kel (Identical)
3- 6-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-02-17 H Filed

HB 2726 Holland, Justin (F)(R)

Relating to state banks, state bank holding companies, and branches of foreign banks.

Companions: SB 1400 Campbell, Donna (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-02-17 H Filed

HB 2822 Dean, Jay (F)(R) Relating to the regulation of banks and trust companies.

Companions: SB 1401 Campbell, Donna (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2823 Dean, Jay (F)(R) Relating to the issuance and enforcement of a subpoena during the course of an investigation of a residential mortgage loan servicer.

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2831 Oliveira, Rene(D) Relating to investments by state banks to promote public welfare and community development.

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2832 Oliveira, Rene(D) Relating to notice by a property owner to a mortgage servicer that the owner intends to enter into a contract with a property tax lender.

Companions: HB 1936 Oliveira, Rene (Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 1397 Nichols, Robert (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2839 Longoria, Oscar(D) Relating to photo identification for certain debit or credit card transactions.

Companions: SB 1381 Hughes, Bryan (F) (Identical)
3- 6-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-03-17 H Filed

HB 2928 Stephenson, Phil(R) Relating to including the obligations of Federal Home Loan Banks as authorized investments for a governmental entity and the requirements for certificates of deposit or share certificates held as authorized investments.

Bill History: 03-06-17 H Filed

HB 2977 Longoria, Oscar(D) Relating to methods of computing interest

charges on certain consumer loans.

Bill History: 03-06-17 H Filed

HB 3081 Capriglione, Giovanni(R) Relating to the regulation of persons and business activities subject to regulation by certain finance agencies.

Bill History: 03-07-17 H Filed

HB 3088 Ortega, Evelina (F)(D) Relating to the licensing and other regulation of wrap lenders.

Bill History: 03-07-17 H Filed

HB 3224 Perez, Mary Ann(D) Relating to requiring dealers and investment advisers to report suspected financial abuse of elderly persons.

Bill History: 03-07-17 H Filed

HB 3233 Burrows, Dustin(R) Relating to the regulation of money services businesses.

Companions: SB 1403 Campbell, Donna (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-07-17 H Filed

HB 3342 Parker, Tan(R) Relating to prelicensing education requirements for a residential mortgage loan originator license.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

HB 3419 Lucio III, Eddie(D) Relating to increasing the maximum reference base amount for certain consumer loans.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

HB 3448 Longoria, Oscar(D) Relating to single premium term life insurance offered in connection with certain consumer loans.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

HB 3503 Thierry, Shawn (F)(D) Relating to the financial abuse of elderly persons.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

HB 3508 Neave, Victoria (F)(D) Relating to a contract or other agreement between certain governmental entities and a credit services organization or related

business.

Companions: [SB 836](#) Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)
2-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 03-09-17 H Filed

[HJR 99](#) Parker, Tan(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment establishing a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan.

Bill History: 03-07-17 H Filed

[SB 253](#) Taylor, Van(R) Relating to investment prohibitions and divestment requirements for certain investments of public money.

Companions: [HB 1143](#) Davis, Sarah (Identical)
1-19-17 H Filed

Bill History: 01-30-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 560](#) Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to surcharges imposed for the use of a credit card.

Companions: [HB 2176](#) Parker, Tan (Identical)
2-21-17 H Filed

Bill History: 02-08-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 714](#) Seliger, Kel(R) Relating to certain account disclosures provided by a financial institution to a customer.

Companions: [HB 1752](#) Farrar, Jessica (Identical)
2-10-17 H Filed

Bill History: 02-21-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 791](#) Miles, Borris (F)(D) Relating to the financial abuse of elderly persons, including requiring financial institutions to report suspected financial abuse of elderly persons.

Companions: [HB 959](#) Thierry, Shawn (F) (Identical)
2-27-17 H Introduced and referred to

		committee on House Investments and Financial Services
	Bill History:	02-22-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 792	Miles, Borris (F)(D)	Relating to requiring financial institutions to report the suspected financial abuse of elderly persons.
	Companions:	<div> <div>HB 916</div> <div>Thierry, Shawn (F)</div> <div>(Identical)</div> </div> <div>2-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services</div>
	Bill History:	02-22-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 830	Rodriguez, Jose(D)	Relating to the provision of accounting statements by mortgage servicers for certain loans secured by a lien on residential real property.
	Bill History:	02-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 836	Rodriguez, Jose(D)	Relating to a contract or other agreement between certain governmental entities and a credit services organization or related business.
	Companions:	<div> <div>HB 3508</div> <div>Neave, Victoria (F)</div> <div>(Identical)</div> </div> <div>3- 9-17 H Filed</div>
	Bill History:	02-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 1098	Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to recordings, acknowledgements, and proofs of certain written instruments.
	Bill History:	03-07-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs
SB 1155	Menendez, Jose(D)	Relating to fees paid to certain credit services organizations in connection with certain extensions of consumer credit.
	Companions:	<div> <div>SB 1323</div> <div>Menendez, Jose (F)</div> <div>(Refiled from 84R Session)</div> </div>
	Bill History:	03-09-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

SB 1193	Taylor, Van(R)	Relating to the adoption of the Texas Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act.
Companions: HB 2158 Parker, Tan (Identical) 2-21-17 H Filed		
Bill History: 03-09-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs		

SB 1380	Seliger, Kel(R)	Relating to alternative education loans and to the use of higher education private activity bonds by qualified alternative education loan lenders.
Companions: HB 2705 Lozano, Jose (Identical) 3- 2-17 H Filed		
Bill History: 03-06-17 S Filed		

SB 1381	Hughes, Bryan (F)(R)	Relating to photo identification for certain debit or credit card transactions.
Companions: HB 2839 Longoria, Oscar (Identical) 3- 3-17 H Filed		
Bill History: 03-06-17 S Filed		

SB 1397	Nichols, Robert(R)	Relating to notice by a property owner to a mortgage servicer that the owner intends to enter into a contract with a property tax lender.
Companions: HB 1936 Oliveira, Rene (Refiled from 84R Session) HB 2832 Oliveira, Rene (Identical) 3- 3-17 H Filed		
Bill History: 03-07-17 S Filed		

SB 1400	Campbell, Donna(R)	Relating to state banks, state bank holding companies, and branches of foreign banks.
Companions: HB 2726 Holland, Justin (F) (Identical) 3- 2-17 H Filed		
Bill History: 03-07-17 S Filed		

SB 1401	Campbell, Donna(R)	Relating to the regulation of banks and trust companies.
Companions: HB 2822 Dean, Jay (F) (Identical)		

3- 3-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-07-17 S Filed

SB 1403 Campbell, Donna(R) Relating to the regulation of money services businesses.

Companions: [HB 3233](#) Burrows, Dustin (Identical)
3- 7-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-07-17 S Filed

SB 1530 Estes, Craig(R) Relating to the regulation of persons and business activities subject to regulation by certain finance agencies.

Bill History: 03-08-17 S Filed

G - Business Liability

HB 447 Bell, Cecil(R) Relating to the civil liability of certain businesses in connection with allowing or forbidding handguns on the business premises.

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

HB 497 Rinaldi, Matt(R) Relating to the liability of a business that allows handguns to be carried on the business's premises.

Companions: [SB 1736](#) Hughes, Bryan (F) (Identical)
3- 9-17 S Filed

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

HB 556 Keough, Mark(R) Relating to the civil liability of certain persons in connection with allowing or forbidding handguns on the premises of a business or apartment complex.

Bill History: 02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

HB 744 Farrar, Jessica(D) Relating to recovery of attorney's fees in

certain civil cases.

Companions:

[HB 230](#)

Farrar, Jessica

(Refiled
from
84R
Session)

Bill History:

03-14-17 H Set on the House Calendar

[HB 1032](#)

Thompson, Senfronia(D)

Relating to the adoption of the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act.

Bill History:

03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 1038](#)

Rinaldi, Matt(R)

Relating to the award of costs and attorney's fees in a motion to dismiss for certain actions that have no basis in law or fact.

Bill History:

03-07-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 1066](#)

Thompson, Senfronia(D)

Relating to the collection of certain judgments through court proceeding.

Companions:

[HB 604](#)

Davis, Sarah

(Refiled
from
84R
Session)

Bill History:

02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 1258](#)

Clardy, Travis(R)

Relating to information publicly available in an electronic court record database.

Bill History:

03-07-17 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 1315](#)

King, Phil(R)

Relating to the liability of employees of certain real property owners for certain claims arising from construction activities.

Companions:

[SB 621](#)

Creighton, Brandon

(Identical)

2-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History:

02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 2122](#)

Clardy, Travis(R)

Relating to the adoption of the Uniform

Foreign-Country Money Judgments
Recognition Act.

Companions: [SB 944](#) Hughes, Bryan (F) (Identical)
3- 1-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-20-17 H Filed

[HB 3459](#) Davis, Yvonne(D)

Relating to requiring a business to pre-
disclose the recording of a telephone
conversation with a consumer.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

[SB 621](#) Creighton, Brandon(R)

Relating to the liability of employees of
certain real property owners for certain claims
arising from construction activities.

Companions: [HB 1315](#) King, Phil (Identical)
2-27-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Judiciary and Civil
Jurisprudence

Bill History: 02-13-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate State Affairs

[SB 944](#) Hughes, Bryan (F)(R)

Relating to the adoption of the Uniform
Foreign-Country Money Judgments
Recognition Act.

Companions: [HB 2122](#) Clardy, Travis (Identical)
2-20-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-01-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate State Affairs

H - Real Estate/Related Topics

[HB 379](#) Bernal, Diego(D)

Relating to mandatory sales price disclosure
in real property sales.

Bill History: 02-23-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Business and Industry

[HB 495](#) Phelan, Dade(R)

Relating to the selection of the board of
directors of an appraisal district.

Companions: [HB 2265](#) Munoz, Sergio (Identical)
2-22-17 H Filed

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

HB 628 Howard, Donna(D) Relating to the distribution, possession, purchase, consumption, and receipt of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, and tobacco products.

Bill History: 02-22-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health

HB 1354 Wray, John(R) Relating to trusts.

Companions: SB 617 Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)
2-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

HB 1386 Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to the use of earnest money contracts and other offers for the sale of land before a subdivision plat is filed in certain border counties.

Bill History: 02-28-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Land and Resource Management

HB 1470 Villalba, Jason(R) Relating to the public sale of real property under a power of sale in a security instrument.

Companions: SB 1405 Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Filed

Bill History: 03-07-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

HB 1974 Wray, John(R) Relating to durable powers of attorney.

Companions: SB 926 Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)
3- 1-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Filed

HB 2076 Schubert, Leighton(R) Relating to establishing actual progress for the purposes of determining the right to repurchase real property from a condemning entity.

Companions: [SB 628](#) Schwertner, Charles (Identical)
2-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-17-17 H Filed

[HB 2265](#) Munoz, Sergio(D) Relating to the selection of the board of directors of an appraisal district.

Companions: [HB 495](#) Phelan, Dade (Identical)
2-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

Bill History: 02-22-17 H Filed

[HB 2534](#) Kuempel, John(R) Relating to certain real estate brokerage and advertising activities and to certain functions of the Texas Real Estate Commission.

Bill History: 02-28-17 H Filed

[HB 3311](#) Huberty, Dan(R) Relating to the date and time for the public sale of real property.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

[SB 372](#) Hall, Bob(R) Relating to regulation of title insurance.

Bill History: 02-01-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 617](#) Rodriguez, Jose(D) Relating to trusts.

Companions: [HB 1354](#) Wray, John (Identical)
2-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

Bill History: 02-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

[SB 626](#) Schwertner, Charles(R) Relating to the acquisition of certain real property in conjunction with the acquisition of real property for a public use through eminent domain procedures.

Bill History: 02-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

[SB 627](#) Schwertner, Charles(R) Relating to notice of a property owner's rights relating to the examination or survey of

property by an entity with eminent domain authority.

Bill History: 02-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

SB 628 Schwertner, Charles(R)

Relating to establishing actual progress for the purposes of determining the right to repurchase real property from a condemning entity.

Companions: [HB 2076](#) Schubert, Leighton (Identical)
2-17-17 H Filed

Bill History: 02-13-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

SB 830 Rodriguez, Jose(D)

Relating to the provision of accounting statements by mortgage servicers for certain loans secured by a lien on residential real property.

Bill History: 02-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

SB 926 Rodriguez, Jose(D)

Relating to durable powers of attorney.

Companions: [HB 1974](#) Wray, John (Identical)
2-16-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-01-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

SB 1405 Creighton, Brandon(R)

Relating to the public sale of real property under a power of sale in a security instrument.

Companions: [HB 1470](#) Villalba, Jason (Identical)
3- 7-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

Bill History: 03-07-17 S Filed

SB 1431 Zaffirini, Judith(D)

Relating to escrow payments for a loan secured by a new dwelling.

Bill History: 03-08-17 S Filed

HB 1	Zerwas, John(R)	General Appropriations Bill.
	Bill History:	02-13-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Appropriations
HB 15	Bonnen, Dennis(R)	Relating to ad valorem taxation.
	Bill History:	03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 28	Bonnen, Dennis(R)	Relating to the use of certain surplus state revenue to phase out the franchise tax and to the expiration of that tax.
	Bill History:	03-09-17 H Filed
HB 86	Guillen, Ryan(D)	Relating to providing a sales and use tax refund or franchise tax credit for businesses that employ former offenders.
	Bill History:	02-13-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 102	Guillen, Ryan(D)	Relating to exemptions from ad valorem taxes, the sales and use tax, and the franchise tax for certain businesses during an initial period of operation in this state.
	Bill History:	02-13-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 388	Murphy, Jim(R)	Relating to the phaseout and repeal of the franchise tax.
	Bill History:	02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 509	Button, Angie(R)	Relating to a deduction under the franchise tax for certain contracts with the federal government.
	Companions:	<div> <div>SB 1031</div> <div>Taylor, Larry</div> <div>(Identical)</div> <div>3- 6-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance</div> </div>
	Bill History:	02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 538	Metcalf, Will(R)	Relating to the use of certain surplus state revenue to provide for a rebate of state franchise taxes.

Companions:

HB 1134	Metcalf, Will (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 331	Creighton, Brandon (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 131	Creighton, Brandon	(Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		

Bill History:

02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Appropriations

[HB 599](#) [Schofield, Mike\(R\)](#)

Relating to the decrease of the rates of the franchise tax under certain circumstances and the expiration of that tax.

Bill History:

02-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

[HB 803](#) [Dale, Tony\(R\)](#)

Relating to a temporary exemption from the sales and use tax and the franchise tax for certain businesses engaged in space flight activities.

Bill History:

02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

[HB 1050](#) [Swanson, Valoree \(F\)\(R\)](#)

Relating to the abolition of ad valorem taxes.

Bill History:

03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

[HB 1052](#) [Schubert, Leighton\(R\)](#)

Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.

Companions:

HB 1196	Button, Angie	(Identical)
2-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		
SB 178	Estes, Craig	(Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		

Bill History:

02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

[HB 1055](#) [Burkett, Cindy\(R\)](#)

Relating to a limitation on the amount of certain licensing fees charged by state agencies.

Bill History:

02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures

[HB 1095](#) [Shaheen, Matt\(R\)](#)

Relating to the phaseout and repeal of the

franchise tax.

Bill History: 02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

HB 1137 Davis, Yvonne(D)

Relating to restrictions on tax and fee benefits for certain private entities that outsource jobs to foreign countries.

Bill History: 02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

HB 1169 Button, Angie(R)

Relating to an exemption from the sales tax for certain items sold by small businesses in this state during a limited period.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means

HB 1196 Button, Angie(R)

Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.

Companions:

HB 2456 Schubert, Leighton (F) (Refiled from 84R Session)
HB 1052 Schubert, Leighton (Identical)
2-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
SB 178 Estes, Craig (Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 02-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

HB 1230 Blanco, Cesar(D)

Relating to franchise tax credits for businesses that employ veterans.

Bill History: 02-28-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

HB 1330 Kuempel, John(R)

Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of income-producing tangible personal property having a value of less than a certain amount.

Companions: SB 730 Bettencourt, Paul (Identical)
3-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036, Senate Finance

Bill History: 02-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

HB 1613 Springer, Drew(R)

Relating to adjustment of the rates of the franchise tax.

Bill History: 03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to

HB 1614	Parker, Tan(R)	Relating to a franchise tax credit for enterprise projects for certain capital investments.
Companions:		SB 1389 Hinojosa, Chuy (Identical) 3- 7-17 S Filed
Bill History:		03-09-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 1621	Bohac, Dwayne(R)	Relating to the transfer of certain unused franchise tax credits.
Bill History:		03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
HB 1723	Leach, Jeff(R)	Relating to the allocation of certain surplus state revenue for periodic reductions in the state sales and use tax rates.
Bill History:		03-06-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Appropriations
HB 2228	Murphy, Jim(R)	Relating to deadlines for performing various functions in connection with the ad valorem tax system.
Companions:		SB 946 Bettencourt, Paul (Identical) 3-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036, Senate Finance
Bill History:		02-21-17 H Filed
HB 2250	Darby, Drew(R)	Relating to the classification of certain entities as primarily engaged in retail trade for purposes of the franchise tax.
Bill History:		02-22-17 H Filed
HB 2314	Murphy, Jim(R)	Relating to liability for interest if land appraised for ad valorem tax purposes as agricultural or open-space land is sold or diverted to a different use.
Companions:		SB 629 Schwertner, Charles (Identical) 3-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036, Senate Finance
Bill History:		02-23-17 H Filed
HB 2545	Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to the determination of cost of goods sold for purposes of computing the franchise

tax.

Companions:

HB 2674	Parker, Tan	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 142	Taylor, Van	(Identical)
2-28-17 S Committee action pending Senate Finance		

Bill History: 02-28-17 H Filed

[HB 2669](#) Shine, Hugh(R)

Relating to remedies in certain taxpayer suits against the state.

Bill History: 03-01-17 H Filed

[HB 2723](#) Shine, Hugh(R)

Relating to the deadline to file a petition for redetermination of a tax deficiency determination made by the comptroller.

Companions:

SB 1095	Taylor, Larry	(Identical)
3- 7-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		

Bill History: 03-02-17 H Filed

[HB 2961](#) Anderson, Rodney(R)

Relating to the exclusion of certain payments from total revenue for purposes of the franchise tax.

Bill History: 03-06-17 H Filed

[HB 3462](#) Davis, Yvonne(D)

Relating to the comptroller's processing of a claim for a tax refund.

Bill History: 03-08-17 H Filed

[HJR 41](#) Metcalf, Will(R)

Proposing a constitutional amendment concerning the use of unencumbered surplus state revenues to provide for a rebate of state franchise taxes.

Companions:

HJR 80	Metcalf, Will (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SJR 23	Creighton, Brandon (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SJR 14	Creighton, Brandon	(Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Appropriations

HJR 58	Schofield, Mike(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of an individual income tax.
Companions:		SJR 45 Bettencourt, Paul (Identical) 3- 9-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
Bill History:		01-13-17 H Filed
HJR 75	Raymond, Richard(D)	Proposing a constitutional amendment to appropriate money from the economic stabilization fund to the foundation school fund and use the money to finance.
Bill History:		02-17-17 H Filed
HJR 79	Klick, Stephanie(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of an individual income tax.
Bill History:		02-20-17 H Filed
HJR 87	Meyer, Morgan(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring any increase in a franchise tax rate to be approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house of the legislature.
Companions:		HJR 95 Meyer, Morgan (F) (Refiled from 84R Session)
Bill History:		02-27-17 H Filed
SB 1	Nelson, Jane(R)	General Appropriations Bill.
Bill History:		03-16-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036 - Senate Finance
SB 2	Bettencourt, Paul(R)	Relating to ad valorem taxation.
Bill History:		03-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036 - Senate Finance
SB 17	Nelson, Jane(R)	Relating to the decrease of the rates of the franchise tax under certain circumstances and the expiration of that tax.
Bill History:		03-06-17 S Reported from committee as substituted Senate Finance
SB 72	Nelson, Jane(R)	Relating to the decrease of the rates of the franchise tax under certain circumstances and

the expiration of that tax.

Bill History: 01-24-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

SB 112 Huffines, Donald(R) Relating to the decrease of the rates of the franchise tax under certain circumstances and the expiration of that tax.

Bill History: 01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

SB 130 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the computation of the franchise tax.

Bill History: 01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

SB 131 Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the use of certain surplus state revenue to provide for a rebate of state franchise taxes.

Companions:

HB 1134	Metcalf, Will (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 331	Creighton, Brandon (F)	(Refiled from 84R Session)
HB 538	Metcalf, Will	(Identical)
2-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Appropriations		

Bill History: 01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

SB 142 Taylor, Van(R) Relating to the determination of cost of goods sold for purposes of computing the franchise tax.

Companions:

HB 2674	Parker, Tan	(Refiled from 84R Session)
HB 2545	Sanford, Scott	(Identical)
2-28-17 H Filed		

Bill History: 02-28-17 S Committee action pending Senate Finance

SB 178 Estes, Craig(R) Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.

Companions:

HB 1052	Schubert, Leighton	(Identical)
2-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		
HB 1196	Button, Angie	(Identical)

		2-21-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
	Bill History:	01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
SB 575	Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to the total revenue exemption for the franchise tax.
	Companions:	<div> <div>SB 8</div> <div>Schwertner, Charles</div> <div>(Refiled from 84R Session)</div> </div>
	Bill History:	02-28-17 S Committee action pending Senate Finance
SB 629	Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to liability for the interest if land appraised for ad valorem tax purposes as agricultural or open-space land is sold or diverted to a different use.
	Companions:	<div> <div>HB 2314</div> <div>Murphy, Jim</div> <div>(Identical)</div> </div> <div>2-23-17 H Filed</div>
	Bill History:	03-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036 - Senate Finance
SB 730	Bettencourt, Paul(R)	Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of income-producing tangible personal property having a value of less than a certain amount.
	Companions:	<div> <div>SB 762</div> <div>Bettencourt, Paul (F)</div> <div>(Refiled from 84R Session)</div> </div> <div> <div>HB 1330</div> <div>Kuempel, John</div> <div>(Identical)</div> </div> <div>2-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means</div>
	Bill History:	03-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036 - Senate Finance
SB 946	Bettencourt, Paul(R)	Relating to deadlines for performing various functions in connection with the ad valorem tax system.
	Companions:	<div> <div>HB 2228</div> <div>Murphy, Jim</div> <div>(Identical)</div> </div> <div>2-21-17 H Filed</div>
	Bill History:	03-14-17 S Meeting set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036 - Senate Finance
SB 1031	Taylor, Larry(R)	Relating to a deduction under the franchise

tax for certain contracts with the federal government.

Companions:

[HB 637](#) Button, Angie (Refiled from 84R Session)
[SB 514](#) Taylor, Larry (Refiled from 84R Session)
[HB 509](#) Button, Angie (Identical)
2-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

Bill History:

03-06-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

[SB 1095](#) Taylor, Larry(R)

Relating to the deadline to file a petition for redetermination of a tax deficiency determination made by the comptroller.

Companions:

[HB 2723](#) Shine, Hugh (Identical)
3- 2-17 H Filed

Bill History:

03-07-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

[SB 1191](#) Hughes, Bryan (F)(R)

Relating to remedies in certain taxpayer suits against the state.

Bill History:

03-09-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

[SB 1389](#) Hinojosa, Chuy(D)

Relating to a franchise tax credit for enterprise projects for certain capital investments.

Companions:

[HB 1614](#) Parker, Tan (Identical)
3- 9-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

Bill History:

03-07-17 S Filed

[SB 1468](#) Creighton, Brandon(R)

Relating to a franchise tax credit for entities that employ certain students in certain paid internship or similar programs.

Bill History:

03-08-17 S Filed

[SJR 14](#) Creighton, Brandon(R)

Proposing a constitutional amendment concerning the use of unencumbered surplus state revenues to provide for a rebate of state franchise taxes.

Companions:

[HJR 80](#) Metcalf, Will (F) (Refiled from 84R)

SJR 23 Creighton, Brandon (F) Session)
(Refiled from 84R Session)
HJR 41 Metcalf, Will (Identical)
2-16-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Appropriations

Bill History: 01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate Finance

HB 45 Bettencourt, Paul(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment
prohibiting the imposition of an individual
income tax.

Companions: HJR 58 Schofield, Mike (Identical)
1-13-17 H Filed

Bill History: 03-09-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate Finance

J - Choice of Law

HB 45 Flynn, Dan(R) Relating to the application of foreign laws and
foreign forum selection in this state.

Companions: HB 670 Flynn, Dan (Refiled
from 84R Session)

Bill History: 02-13-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Judiciary and Civil
Jurisprudence

HB 498 Fallon, Pat(R) Relating to the application of foreign laws and
foreign forum selection in a proceeding
involving marriage, a suit for dissolution of a
marriage, or a suit affecting the parent-child
relationship in this state.

Bill History: 02-16-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Judiciary and Civil
Jurisprudence

HB 1844 Workman, Paul(R) Relating to choice of law and venue for
certain construction contracts.

Companions: SB 807 Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
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Creighton, Brandon(R)

Relating to choice of law and venue for
certain construction contracts.

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