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**BUSINESS LAW SECTION
STATE BAR OF TEXAS
85th TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FINAL REPORT**

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The 140-day regular session of the 85th Legislature came to a raucous close on Monday, May 29th. Despite end-of-session flare-ups and disagreements over property tax reform, the bathroom privacy proposal, and sanctuary cities, the Texas Business Law Foundation (the “TBLF”) enjoyed another very successful session. All four bills in the TBLF section-prepared package passed, along with a number of other business-related bills deemed favorable by the TBLF. All other legislation of concern was either amended satisfactorily or did not pass.

Again, the cornerstone of the TBLF’s legislative success was the hard work and commitment of our Senate and House bill sponsors. In the Senate, Kelly Hancock (R-North Richland Hills), who took over this session as the chair of the Senate Business & Commerce Committee (“B&C”), carried the two BOC bills. Sen. Hancock’s efforts and strong support of business law enhancement were critical and his work was complemented by excellent staff. The B&C staff was pivotal in the handling of the complete TBLF package.

Sen. Bryan Hughes (R-Mineola) carried the TUTSA bill and Sen. Craig Estes (R-Wichita Falls) carried the business names bill. We were pleased to develop working relationships with these two extremely capable members and their staffs on business law issues. Their work on these measures was outstanding.

On the House side, we were again grateful for the continued leadership of House Business & Industry Committee (“B&I”) chair, Rene Oliveira (D-Brownsville), who carried the two BOC bills. This is his third session as chairman, and he has carried and overseen substantial TBLF legislative packages in each of the three sessions. In 2013, the TBLF presented Chairman Oliveira with its inaugural *Legislative Leadership Award* for his efforts in the significant

advancement of Texas business law. His dedication to improving the legal framework for Texas business has never wavered. We are indebted to him and his staff for the perseverance and hard work.

Longtime friend and TBLF supporter, Rep. Gary Elkins (R-Houston), chair of the Government Transparency and Operations committee, carried the TUTSA bill. As always, we are most appreciative to Chairman Elkins and his staff for their commitment and attention to TBLF issues.

We must especially acknowledge and thank Rep. Jason Villalba (R-Dallas) for his outstanding work on business issues generally, and his strong contribution in B&I. He has become the go-to expert on Texas business issues in committee and on the House floor, providing members with in-depth, dependable knowledge and guidance on business law topics and proposals. He carried the TBLF business names bill, and of course is the force behind the expanding Texas Chancery Court effort. His leadership and esteem in the Legislature continues to grow, and we are so fortunate to have him, and his staff, as a bold champion for TBLF initiatives and issues.

Finally, we thank Governor Abbott, Lt. Governor Patrick, and Speaker Straus for the continued support of business law initiatives and enhancements. The guidance and counsel provided by them, and their hardworking staffs, is invaluable in keeping Texas at the forefront of leading business states.

Again, all of these legislators and state officials are critical to our success. We encourage you individually, or through your firms and PACs, to remember them as the next election cycle starts. If possible, please keep us updated on any efforts in support of these important officeholders.

All in all, during the 85th regular session, lawmakers filed 7,002 bills and resolutions, and passed 1,314, an 18.8% pass ratio. In contrast, during the 84th session, there were 6,650 bills filed and 1,430 passed, with a 21.5% pass ratio. This constitutes a 5% increase in the number of bills filed, but a 9% decrease in bills passed. The Governor has until June 18th to approve or veto bills.

As previously reported, the Governor has called a special session to start on July 18th. Among the numerous issues to be considered, the Legislature will again attempt to address property tax reform. The lobby team will monitor all bills filed for business law relevance.

The BLS tracks legislation in ten (10) general subject-matter categories. Periodic updates 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 tracked within the categories.

A -- Section Prepared Bills

Bills in this category are proposed by the 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) - SB 1518 is effective September 1.

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) - SB 1517 is effective September 1.

Uniform Trade Secrets Act

Amends the TUTSA, conforming it to the federal Defend Trade Secrets Act and recent case law.

[SB 1945](#) (Hughes)/[HB 1995](#) (Elkins) - HB 1995 is effective September 1.

Business Names

Replaces the current business name registration standard with the “distinguishable name” standard used in most other states, as supported by the Secretary of State.

[SB 1835](#) (Estes) /[HB 2856](#) (Villalba) - HB 2856 was signed by the Governor on 6/9. Effective June 1, 2018.

B -- Business Courts

Chancery Court

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

The bill was filed by Rep. Villalba to continue momentum on the effort and to attempt development of a consensus by stakeholders. A series of stakeholder meetings and discussions were conducted during the session,

which included the TBLF, TTLA, Judicial Council, and representatives from the Governor's office. The TBLF drafting team will continue development efforts during the interim. Rep. Villalba will seek an interim study charge on the issue and will continue meetings with the stakeholders.

C -- Business Entities

Shareholder Oppression

For now, debate on the need to codify minority shareholder protections in the wake of *Ritchie v. Rupe* appears to have subsided. During the last legislative interim, B&I 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&I declined to make a recommendation on the issue.

No bill filed.

Ethics/Interests in Government Contracts

[HB 1295](#) (Capriglione) - Amendment package to previous enacted HB 1295 to clarify and simplify business entity compliance with 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 wholly owned subsidiaries; FDIC insured institutions; certain utilities; and insurance companies). 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, enforceable by the Texas Ethics Commission or the Attorney General. Rep. Capriglione indicated a willingness to delete the penalty provisions.

Dead. See SB 255 below.

[HB 1610](#) (Kuempel) - An alternative amendment package to HB 1295. This bill initially would apply only to contracts in excess of \$10 million and simplifies the registration requirements. A proposed committee substitute drops the trigger to \$50,000, clarifies definitions, includes a list of exemptions similar to HB 1295, and doesn't include penalties.

Dead. See SB 255 below.

[SB 255](#) (Zaffirini) - Relating to contracts with and training for governmental entities and vendors, including purchasing and contract management training. An amendment was added in the House that included a section of HB 1295 eliminating disclosure requirements for publicly traded business entities and their

wholly owned subsidiaries and gas/electric utilities. The amendment also revised the language of the required disclosure documentation for all other entities.

SB 255 was signed by the Governor on 6/9. Effective September 1, 2017.

Health Organization Corporations and Partnerships

[SB 679](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3820](#) (Dale) - 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.

SB 679 is effective immediately.

Nonprofit Corporation Salary Disclosure

[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. Efforts on various open government bills, HB 2328 and SB 408 (see the attached Tracking Report for text), could have a similar impact on NPCs. For now, it appears NPCs have escaped additional disclosure requirements, but the issue (and the ramifications from the *Greater Houston Partnership* case) will return next session.

Dead. See SCR 56 below.

[SCR 56](#) (Watson) - Requests the Lt. Governor and the Speaker to create a joint interim committee to examine all state open-government laws. The TBLF's NPC members will need to monitor this.

Passed. Pending before the Governor.

Benefit Corporations

[HB 3488](#) (Hinojosa) - Relating to authorizing the formation of public benefit corporations. The bill was reworked for BOC compatibility, and is acceptable to the TBLF.

Passed. Pending before the Governor.

Nonprofit Corporation Audits

[SB 2180](#) (Menéndez) - Provides an exemption for certain financial records from public inspection if a CPA has conducted an independent audit of any of the previous three fiscal years of a NPC's finances, so long as the NPC makes available to the public a copy of the audit letter and copies of its most recent three annual reports. Menendez's staff acknowledges drafting issues with the bill, and is open to suggestions. The staff advises the bill is an effort to better direct the use of limited NPC resources.

Dead.

SOS Termination of Business Entity

[SB 1579](#) (Garcia) - Permits SOS to terminate the existence of a domestic filing entity if a substantial owner or governing person of the entity has been convicted of human trafficking or compelling prostitution. Garcia's staff acknowledges drafting issues with the bill, and is open to suggestions. The intent is to push ramifications for the criminal activity upward to businesses that might be involved.

Dead.

D -- UCC

No bills filed.

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.

Dead.

Activist Shareholders

[SB 2206](#) (Hancock) - A significantly shortened version Chairman Parker's "Bring Business to Texas and Disclosure Act" referenced below. Similarly imposes disclosure requirements for certain "activist" investor actions.

Dead. See HB 2382 below.

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

Dead. Discussion continues on interim study options, which Chairman Parker confirms will be requested. One suggestion is to establish an advisory panel of industry experts, rather than the customary standing legislative committee undertaking, or some combination of both. The TBLF will need to pay attention to this as the interim actions unfold.

Insider Trading by Public Officials

[HB 1090](#) (Meyer)/[SB 140](#) (V. Taylor) - Graduated increase in criminal penalties based on pecuniary gain, for public officials convicted of insider trading.

Both bills are dead.

F -- Financial Institutions

Electronic Notarization

[HB 1217](#) (Parker) - Establishes electronic notaries public. An initiative by the Texas Mortgage Bankers Association and others. A committee substitute contains a limited version of the bill, accommodating the SOS and major title companies.

Effective September 1.

Texas Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets

[SB 1193](#) (V. Taylor)/[HB 2158](#) (Parker) - A REPTL initiative establishing procedures for the agreed administration of digital assets (electronic records in which individuals have rights or interests) by financial institutions. Review by impacted BLS lawyers indicates it's a good bill.

SB 1193 is effective September 1.

Usury

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

Dead.

Finance Agency Regulation

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

[SB 1530](#) (Estes)/[HB 3081](#) (Capriglione) - Relating to the regulation of persons and business activities subject to regulation by certain finance agencies.

Both bills are dead.

Financial Exploitation

[SB 2067](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3921](#) (Parker) - Relating to the financial exploitation of certain vulnerable adults. These bills arise primarily from elder abuse in financial situations. The measures have been pushed extensively by the AARP and consumer groups, and present a comprehensive solution. They are the product of interim studies and industry working groups, after extensive negotiation. The bills attempt to preempt a host of separate smaller bills on the subject.

HB 3921 is effective September 1.

Class Action Waiver

[HB 4225](#) (Elkins) - Permits the waiver of a class action in a credit transaction or service contract.

Dead.

Credit Card Cyber Security

[SB 1409](#) (Menendez)/[HB 2333](#) (Elkins) - Pertains to the breach of security systems of businesses that expose consumer credit card or debit card information, and imposes civil penalties on the businesses breached. Pits the independent banks and credit unions against retail businesses retaining credit card information.

Both bills are dead.

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 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.

No bill filed. 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. BLS lawyer review indicates it is a good bill.

SB 944 is effective immediately.

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. The TBLF and REPTL consensus version is the final version of the bill, which includes a TLTA modification. The TBA has not ceased opposition.

HB 1974 is pending before the Governor.

I -- Taxation and Related Topics

Franchise Tax

Numerous bills pertaining to franchise tax reform, elimination, or cuts have been filed.

[SB 17](#) (Nelson) - The designated Senate package for franchise tax change provides for a phased reduction and ultimate elimination, based on state revenue growth exceeding 5% during a biennium period.

Dead.

[HB 28](#) (Bonnen) - The designated House package also provides for a phased reduction and elimination of the franchise tax, similar to SB 17, but using biennial budget balance certifications as the basis for rate reductions until elimination.

Dead.

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) - The designated Senate package for ad valorem taxation reform, including an effective 5% cap on increases (triggers an automatic referendum).

Dead. Will be one of the subjects of the upcoming special session.

[SB 669](#) (Nelson) - Relating to the system for protesting or appealing certain ad valorem tax determinations. This bill has now become the vehicle for property tax reform, and contains much of HB 15, primarily transparency provisions minus the rollback cap modifications.

Dead. See SB 2 above.

[HB 15](#) (Bonnen) - The comprehensive reform package proposed by the House. Specifies an increase cap of 4%.

Dead. See SB 2 above.

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 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. The bill is limited to family law matters and requires the Texas Supreme Court to develop related rules of practice.



Pending before the Governor.

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

Dead.

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A - Section Prepared

[HB 1995](#)

[Elkins, Gary\(R\)](#)
[Hughes, Bryan \(F\)\(R\)](#)

Relating to the Texas Uniform Trade Secrets Act.

Companions:

[SB 1945](#) Hughes, Bryan (F) (Identical)
4-26-17 S Recommended for
Local/Uncontested Calendar

Bill History:

09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-09-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call
- see SB 1517

[HB 2827](#) [Oliveira, Rene\(D\)](#)

Relating to corporations, associations, real estate investment trusts, and related entities.

Companions: [SB 1518](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-09-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call
- see SB 1518

[HB 2856](#) [Villalba, Jason\(R\)](#)
[Estes, Craig\(R\)](#)

Relating to names of domestic and foreign filing entities for transacting business in this state.

Companions: [SB 1835](#) Estes, Craig (Identical)
4-25-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 06-01-18 G Earliest effective date

[SB 1517](#) [Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)
[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: [HB 2826](#) Oliveira, Rene (Identical)
5- 9-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 1517

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 1518](#) [Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)
[Oliveira, Rene\(D\)](#)

Relating to corporations, associations, real estate investment trusts, and related entities.

Companions: [HB 2827](#) Oliveira, Rene (Identical)
5- 9-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 1518

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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)

6- 1-18 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 04-25-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 1945](#)

[Hughes, Bryan \(F\)\(R\)](#)

Relating to the Texas Uniform Trade Secrets Act.

Companions: [HB 1995](#) Elkins, Gary (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 04-26-17 S Recommended for
Local/Uncontested Calendar

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: 03-30-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Judiciary and Civil
Jurisprudence

C - Business Entities

[HB 9](#)

[Capriglione, Giovanni\(R\)](#)
[Taylor, Van\(R\)](#)

Relating to cybercrime.

Companions: [SB 1020](#) Taylor, Van (Identical)
3- 6-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate Criminal Justice

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[HB 89](#)

[King, Phil\(R\)](#)
[Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#)

Relating to state contracts with and investments in companies that boycott Israel.

Companions: [SB 29](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
4-18-17 H Referred to House
Committee on House State Affairs
[SB 134](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)

1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[HB 225](#) [Johnson, Eric\(D\)](#)

Relating to the prohibition of employment discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

Bill History: 05-05-17 H Reported favorably from committee on House Business and Industry

[HB 228](#) [Thompson, Senfronia\(D\)](#)

Relating to unlawful employment practices regarding discrimination in payment of compensation.

Companions:

HB 187	Thompson, Senfronia	(Refiled from 84R Session)
SB 65	Ellis, Rodney	(Refiled from 84R Session)

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: 04-06-17 H Reported from committee as substituted 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 793](#) [Capriglione, Giovanni\(R\)](#) Relating to the definition of a governmental body for the purposes of the public information law.

Companions: [SB 408](#) Watson, Kirk (Identical)
4-18-17 H Referred to House Committee on House Government Transparency and Operation

Bill History: 04-24-17 H Committee action pending House Government Transparency and Operation

[HB 996](#) [Capriglione, Giovanni\(R\)](#) Relating to the regulation of business entities that provide assistance animals.

Companions: [SB 1425](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
3-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

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)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-08-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 252

[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: 03-23-17 H Committee action pending 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: 03-23-17 H Committee action pending 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: 05-10-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[HB 2328](#) [Lucio III, Eddie\(D\)](#)
[Watson, Kirk\(D\)](#)

Relating to an expedited response by a governmental body to a request for public information.

Companions:

SB 1347	Watson, Kirk	(Identical)
4-27-17 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for		

Bill History: 05-18-17 S Returned to the Senate under Rule 13, Sec 5A due to nongermane Senate amendments

[HB 2674](#) [Uresti, Tomas \(F\)\(D\)](#)

Relating to reporting requirements for certain nonprofit corporations regarding employee and officer salaries.

Bill History: 05-08-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Business and Industry

[HB 3488](#) [Hinojosa, Gina \(F\)\(D\)](#)
[Estes, Craig\(R\)](#)

Relating to authorizing the formation of public benefit corporations.

Bill History: 05-22-17 G Sent to the Governor

[HB 3820](#) [Dale, Tony\(R\)](#)

Relating to the authority of chiropractors to form certain business entities with certain other professions.

Companions: [SB 679](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
6- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 03-30-17 H Introduced and referred to
committee on House Public Health

[HB 4171](#) [Guillen, Ryan\(D\)](#) Relating to the state designation of employee
owned corporations.

Bill History: 04-27-17 H Vote failed in committee on
House Business and Industry

[HB 4195](#) [Johnson, Eric\(D\)](#) Relating to establishing a pilot program to
assist small business in obtaining capital.

Companions: [SB 1410](#) Menendez, Jose (Identical)
5- 2-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Natural Resources and
Economic Develop

Bill History: 05-08-17 H Reported from committee as
substituted House Economic and Small
Business Development

[SB 29](#) [Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#) Relating to state contracts with and
investments in companies that boycott
Israel.

Companions: [HB 89](#) King, Phil (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date
[SB 134](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
1-25-17 S Introduced and referred to
committee on Senate Business and
Commerce

Bill History: 04-18-17 H Referred to House Committee on
House State Affairs

[SB 134](#) [Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#) Relating to state contracts with and
investments in companies that boycott
Israel.

Companions: [HB 89](#) King, Phil (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date
[SB 29](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
4-18-17 H Referred to House
Committee on House State Affairs

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

[SB 252](#)

[Taylor, Van\(R\)](#)
[Davis, Sarah\(R\)](#)

Relating to prohibiting governmental contracts with a company doing business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization.

Companions:

[HB 1142](#) Davis, Sarah (Identical)
5- 8-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 252

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 255](#)

[Zaffirini, Judith\(D\)](#)
[Simmons, Ron\(R\)](#)

Relating to training for governmental entities and vendors, including purchasing and contract management training.

Companions:

[HB 1695](#) Shaheen, Matt (Identical)
4- 4-17 H Committee action pending House Appropriations

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 408](#)

[Watson, Kirk\(D\)](#)

Relating to the definition of a governmental body for the purposes of the public information law.

Companions:

[HB 793](#) Capriglione, Giovanni (Identical)
4-24-17 H Committee action pending House Government Transparency and Operation

Bill History: 04-18-17 H Referred to House Committee on House Government Transparency and Operation

[SB 679](#)

[Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)
[Dale, Tony\(R\)](#)

Relating to the authority of chiropractors to form certain business entities with certain other professions.

Companions:

[HB 3820](#) Dale, Tony (Identical)
3-30-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health

Bill History: 06-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 1020](#)

[Taylor, Van\(R\)](#)

Relating to cybercrime.

Companions:

[HB 9](#) Capriglione, Giovanni (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 03-06-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice

SB 1347	Watson, Kirk(D)	Relating to an expedited response by a governmental body to a request for public information.
Companions:		HB 2328 Lucio III, Eddie (Identical) 5-18-17 S Returned to the Senate under Rule 13, Sec 5A due to nongermane Senate amendments
Bill History:		04-27-17 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for
SB 1410	Menendez, Jose(D)	Relating to establishing a pilot program to assist small business in obtaining capital.
Companions:		HB 4195 Johnson, Eric (Identical) 5- 8-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Economic and Small Business Development
Bill History:		05-02-17 S Committee action pending Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop
SB 1425	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to the regulation of business entities that provide assistance animals; providing a civil penalty.
Companions:		HB 996 Capriglione, Giovanni (Identical) 2-27-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures
Bill History:		03-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 1477	West, Royce(D)	Relating to ransomware.
Bill History:		05-05-17 H Referred to House Committee on House Government Transparency and Operation
SB 1579	Garcia, Sylvia(D)	Relating to authorizing the secretary of state to terminate the existence of a domestic filing entity if a substantial owner or governing person of the entity has been convicted of human trafficking or compelling prostitution.
Bill History:		03-21-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

SB 1619	West, Royce(D)	Relating to the creation of the offense of electronic access interference.
Bill History:		03-21-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Criminal Justice
SB 2180	Menendez, Jose(D)	Relating to financial records and audits of nonprofit corporations.
Bill History:		03-29-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 2206	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to information required to be disclosed by certain investors of publicly traded companies whose headquarters are located in this state.
Bill History:		03-29-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SCR 56	Watson, Kirk(D) Lucio III, Eddie(D)	Requesting the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house of representatives to create a joint interim committee to examine all state open-government laws.
Bill History:		05-30-17 G Sent to the Governor
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:

05-04-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs

[HB 1701](#)

[Parker, Tan\(R\)](#)
[Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)

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:

09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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:

03-20-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

[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

Companions:

[SB 1916](#) Buckingham, Dawn (F) (Identical)
5- 9-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History:

05-09-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar

[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:

05-10-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Education

[HB 4195](#)

[Johnson, Eric\(D\)](#)

Relating to establishing a pilot program to assist small business in obtaining capital.

Companions:

[SB 1410](#) Menendez, Jose (Identical)

		5- 2-17 S Committee action pending Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop
	Bill History:	05-08-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Economic and Small Business Development
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SB 140	Taylor, Van(R)	Relating to the criminal penalties for insider trading and other misuse of official information by public servants.
	Companions:	<div> <div> SB 111 Taylor, Van (F) </div> <div> HB 1090 Meyer, Morgan </div> </div> <div> (Refiled from 84R Session) (Identical) 5- 4-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs </div>
	Bill History:	01-25-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs
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SB 1410	Menendez, Jose(D)	Relating to establishing a pilot program to assist small business in obtaining capital.
	Companions:	<div> <div> HB 4195 Johnson, Eric </div> </div> <div> (Identical) 5- 8-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Economic and Small Business Development </div>
	Bill History:	05-02-17 S Committee action pending Senate Natural Resources and Economic Develop
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SB 1875	Hinojosa, Chuy(D)	Relating to the self-directed and semi-independent status of certain agencies and the requirements applicable to, and the oversight of, those agencies.
	Bill History:	05-18-17 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
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SB 1916	Buckingham, Dawn (F)(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.
	Companions:	<div> <div> HB 3367 Burrows, Dustin </div> </div> <div> (Identical) 5- 9-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar </div>
	Bill History:	05-09-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

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\(D\)](#)
[Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#) Relating to authorizing a credit union or other financial institution to conduct savings promotion raffles.

Bill History: 05-22-17 G Sent to the Governor

[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: 04-25-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 877](#) [Turner, Chris\(D\)](#) Relating to prohibiting certain telemarketing calls by a credit access business.

Bill History: 04-25-17 H Failed to pass to third reading (Vote: N: 76/Y: 66)

[HB 916](#) [Thierry, Shawn \(F\)\(D\)](#) Relating to requiring financial institutions to report the suspected financial abuse of elderly persons.

Companions: [SB 792](#) Miles, Borris (F) (Identical)
2-22-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

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: 03-21-17 H Committee action pending 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: 04-25-17 H Committee action pending 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)
5-26-17 G Conference committee report filed

Bill History: 05-08-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 253

[HB 1217](#) [Parker, Tan\(R\)](#)
[Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#) Relating to appointment of and performance of notarial acts by an electronic notary public.

Bill History: 07-01-18 G Earliest effective date

HB 1712	Shaheen, Matt(R)	Relating to the abolishment of certain advisory committees.
	Bill History:	03-23-17 H Reported from committee as substituted 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) 9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date
	Bill History:	04-25-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services
HB 1760	Fallon, Pat(R)	Relating to money transmissions sent to destinations outside the United States.
	Bill History:	04-18-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services
HB 1954	Murr, Andrew(R) Nichols, Robert(R)	Relating to convenience and trust accounts established at financial institutions.
	Bill History:	05-21-17 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for
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) 9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date
	Bill History:	05-12-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar
HB 2176	Parker, Tan(R)	Relating to surcharges imposed for the use of a credit card.
	Companions:	SB 560 Hancock, Kelly (Identical) 9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-19-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[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)
3-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 04-24-17 H Committee action pending House Business and Industry

[HB 2579](#)

[Holland, Justin \(F\)\(R\)](#)
[Buckingham, Dawn \(F\)\(R\)](#)

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

Companions: [SB 1919](#) Buckingham, Dawn (F) (Identical)
3-23-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[HB 2580](#)

[Holland, Justin \(F\)\(R\)](#)
[Estes, Craig\(R\)](#)

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

Companions: [SB 2058](#) Estes, Craig (Identical)
5- 2-17 S Removed from hearing 05/02/17, Senate Criminal Justice

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[HB 2647](#)

[Stephenson, Phil\(R\)](#)
[Taylor, Larry\(R\)](#)

Relating to authorized investments of public funds.

Bill History: 05-25-17 G Sent to the Governor

[HB 2656](#)

[Longoria, Oscar\(D\)](#)

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

Bill History: 05-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

[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)
3-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Higher Education

Bill History: 04-19-17 H Committee action pending House Higher Education

[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)
5-28-17 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 05-01-17 S Received in the Senate

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

Companions: [SB 1401](#) Campbell, Donna (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-12-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar

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

Companions: [SB 1918](#) Buckingham, Dawn (F) (Identical)
3-23-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 05-26-17 G Earliest effective date

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

Bill History: 05-12-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar

[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)
3-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 05-16-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

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

Companions: [SB 1381](#) Hughes, Bryan (F) (Identical)
1- 1-18 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-12-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar

[HB 2928](#) [Stephenson, Phil\(R\)](#)
[Taylor, Larry\(R\)](#) 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: 05-25-17 G Sent to the Governor

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

Bill History: 03-22-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

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

Companions: [SB 1530](#) Estes, Craig (Identical)
4-25-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 04-28-17 H Reported favorably from committee on House Investments and Financial Services

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

Companions: [SB 1993](#) Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)
3-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 05-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

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

Bill History: 04-11-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

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

Companions: [SB 1403](#) Campbell, Donna (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 04-18-17 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

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

Bill History: 04-03-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

[HB 3342](#) [Parker, Tan\(R\)](#)
[Buckingham, Dawn \(F\)\(R\)](#) Relating to prelicensing education requirements for a residential mortgage loan originator license.

Bill History: 01-01-18 G Earliest effective date

[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

Companions: [SB 1916](#) Buckingham, Dawn (F) (Identical)
5- 9-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 05-09-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar

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

Bill History: 05-04-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Investments and Financial Services

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

Bill History: 05-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

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

Bill History: 04-11-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

[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: 04-25-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 3921](#) [Parker, Tan\(R\)](#)
[Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#) Relating to the financial exploitation of certain vulnerable adults.

Companions: [SB 2067](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
4-25-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[HB 3972](#) [Johnson, Eric\(D\)](#) Relating to the financial exploitation of certain elderly persons.

Bill History: 04-11-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 4125](#) [Herrero, Abel\(D\)](#) Relating to clarifying the liability of certain financial institutions that offer remote deposit capture.

Bill History: 03-31-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Investments and Financial Services

[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: 05-06-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call
- see SJR 60

[SB 253](#)

[Taylor, Van\(R\)](#)
[Davis, Sarah\(R\)](#)

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

Companions:

[HB 1143](#) Davis, Sarah (Identical)
5- 8-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 253

Bill History: 05-26-17 G Conference committee report filed

[SB 560](#)

[Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)
[Parker, Tan\(R\)](#)

Relating to surcharges imposed for the use of a credit card.

Companions: [HB 2176](#) Parker, Tan (Identical)
5-19-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 714](#)

[Seliger, Kel\(R\)](#)
[Geren, Charlie\(R\)](#)

Relating to certain account disclosures provided by a financial institution to a customer.

Companions: [HB 1752](#) Farrar, Jessica (Identical)
4-25-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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:

[HB 916](#)

Thierry, Shawn (F)

(Identical)

2-21-17 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 830](#)

[Rodriguez, Jose\(D\)](#)
[Walle, Amando\(D\)](#)

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

Bill History:

05-27-17 G Sent to the Governor

[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:

[HB 3508](#)

Neave, Victoria (F)

(Identical)

4-25-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

Bill History:

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

[SB 1098](#)

[Zaffirini, Judith\(D\)](#)
[Anderson, Doc\(R\)](#)

Relating to recordings, acknowledgements, and proofs of certain written instruments.

Bill History:

09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 1155](#)

[Menendez, Jose\(D\)](#)

Relating to fees paid to certain credit services organizations in connection with certain extensions of consumer credit.

Companions:

[SB 1323](#)

Menendez, Jose (F)

(Refiled from 84R Session)

Bill History:

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

[SB 1193](#) [Taylor, Van\(R\)](#)
[Parker, Tan\(R\)](#) Relating to the adoption of the Texas Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act.

Companions: [HB 2158](#) Parker, Tan (Identical)
5-12-17 H Withdrawn from the
Local Calendar

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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)
4-19-17 H Committee action pending
House Higher Education

Bill History: 03-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Higher Education

[SB 1381](#) [Hughes, Bryan \(F\)\(R\)](#)
[Longoria, Oscar\(D\)](#) Relating to photo identification for certain debit or credit card transactions.

Companions: [HB 2839](#) Longoria, Oscar (Identical)
5-12-17 H Withdrawn from the
Local Calendar

Bill History: 01-01-18 G Earliest effective date

[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)
5-16-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 03-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 1400](#) [Campbell, Donna\(R\)](#)
[Holland, Justin \(F\)\(R\)](#) Relating to state banks, state bank holding companies, and branches of foreign banks.

Companions: [HB 2726](#) Holland, Justin (F) (Identical)
5- 1-17 S Received in the Senate

Bill History: 05-28-17 G Sent to the Governor

SB 1401	Campbell, Donna(R) Dean, Jay (F)(R)	Relating to the regulation of banks and trust companies.
Companions:		HB 2822 Dean, Jay (F) (Identical) 5-12-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar
Bill History:		09-01-17 G Earliest effective date
SB 1403	Campbell, Donna(R) Burrows, Dustin(R)	Relating to the regulation of money services businesses.
Companions:		HB 3233 Burrows, Dustin (Identical) 4-18-17 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar
Bill History:		09-01-17 G Earliest effective date
SB 1409	Menendez, Jose(D)	Relating to a breach of system security of a business that exposes consumer credit card or debit card information; providing a civil penalty.
Companions:		HB 2333 Elkins, Gary (Identical) 4-24-17 H Committee action pending House Business and Industry
Bill History:		03-16-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
SB 1530	Estes, Craig(R)	Relating to the regulation of persons and business activities subject to regulation by certain finance agencies.
Companions:		HB 3081 Capriglione, Giovanni (Identical) 4-28-17 H Reported favorably from committee on House Investments and Financial Services
Bill History:		04-25-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce
SB 1916	Buckingham, Dawn (F)(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.
Companions:		HB 3367 Burrows, Dustin (Identical) 5- 9-17 H Withdrawn from the Local Calendar

Bill History: 05-09-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 1918](#) [Buckingham, Dawn \(F\)\(R\)](#) Relating to the issuance and enforcement of a subpoena during the course of an investigation of a residential mortgage loan servicer.

Companions: [HB 2823](#) Dean, Jay (F) (Identical)
5-26-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 03-23-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 1919](#) [Buckingham, Dawn \(F\)\(R\)](#) Relating to the bond and other coverages required to be maintained by or for the benefit of a savings bank.

Companions: [HB 2579](#) Holland, Justin (F) (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 03-23-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 1993](#) [Rodriguez, Jose\(D\)](#) Relating to the licensing and other regulation of wrap lenders.

Companions: [HB 3088](#) Ortega, Evelina (F) (Identical)
5-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

Bill History: 03-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 1994](#) [Zaffirini, Judith\(D\)](#)
[Ortega, Evelina \(F\)\(D\)](#) Relating to the financing of residential real estate purchases by means of a wrap mortgage loan.

Bill History: 05-23-17 H Set on the House Calendar

[SB 1995](#) [Watson, Kirk\(D\)](#) Relating to disclosures in connection with certain wrap mortgage loan transactions.

Bill History: 03-27-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 2058](#) [Estes, Craig\(R\)](#) Relating to criminal history record information obtained by the savings and mortgage lending commissioner.

Companions: [HB 2580](#) Holland, Justin (F) (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-02-17 S Removed from hearing 05/02/17
- Senate Criminal Justice

[SB 2067](#) [Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)

Relating to the financial exploitation of certain vulnerable adults.

Companions: [HB 3921](#) Parker, Tan (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 04-25-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 2173](#) [Kolkhorst, Lois\(R\)](#)

Relating to the operation and administration of the Texas Bullion Depository.

Bill History: 04-10-17 S Committee action pending
Senate Finance

[SJR 60](#) [Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)
[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: 11-07-17 G Election date

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: 03-28-17 H Committee action pending 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)
5-17-17 H Reported favorably from committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

Bill History: 03-28-17 H Committee action pending 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: 03-28-17 H Committee action pending 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: 05-18-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs

[HB 1032](#) [Thompson, Senfronia\(D\)](#) Relating to the adoption of the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act.

Bill History: 05-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

[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: 05-06-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[HB 1066](#) [Thompson, Senfronia\(D\)](#)
[Bettencourt, Paul\(R\)](#) Relating to the collection of certain judgments through court proceeding.

Companions: [HB 604](#) Davis, Sarah (Refiled from 84R Session)

Bill History: 05-30-17 G Sent to the Governor

[HB 1258](#) [Clardy, Travis\(R\)](#) Relating to information publicly available in an electronic court record database.

Bill History: 05-18-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs

[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: 04-04-17 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

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

Companions: [SB 2167](#) West, Royce (Identical)
3-29-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 04-18-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

[HB 1774](#) [Bonnen, Greg\(R\)](#)
[Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#) Relating to insurance claims and certain prohibited acts and practices in the business of insurance.

Companions: [SB 10](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
5- 8-17 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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)
6- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-18-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs

[HB 3459](#) [Davis, Yvonne\(D\)](#) Relating to requiring a business to pre-disclose the recording of a telephone conversation with a consumer.

Bill History: 04-03-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

[HB 3902](#) [Thompson, Senfronia\(D\)](#) Relating to commencement and prosecution of certain actions by and to investigations conducted by district and county attorneys under the Deceptive Trade Practices-Consumer Protection Act.

Bill History: 05-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

[SB 10](#) [Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#) Relating to insurance claims and certain prohibited acts and practices in the business of insurance.

Companions: [HB 1774](#) Bonnen, Greg (Identical)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-08-17 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

[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)
4- 4-17 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

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

[SB 944](#) [Hughes, Bryan \(F\)\(R\)](#)
[Clardy, Travis\(R\)](#) Relating to the adoption of the Uniform Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act.

Companions: [HB 2122](#) Clardy, Travis (Identical)
5-18-17 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 06-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 1736](#) [Hughes, Bryan \(F\)\(R\)](#)
[Springer, Drew\(R\)](#) Relating to the liability of a business that allows handguns to be carried on the business's premises.

Companions: [HB 497](#) Rinaldi, Matt (Identical)
3-28-17 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

Bill History: 05-17-17 H Reported favorably from committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

[SB 2167](#) [West, Royce\(D\)](#) Relating to the collection of consumer debt by debt buyers.

Companions: [HB 1767](#) Collier, Nicole (Identical)
4-18-17 H Committee action pending House Investments and Financial Services

Bill History: 03-29-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

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 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)
9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History: 05-09-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call
- see SB 617

[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: 03-28-17 H Committee action pending House Land and Resource Management

[HB 1470](#) [Villalba, Jason\(R\)](#)
[Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#) Relating to the public sale of real property under a power of sale in a security instrument.

Companions: [SB 1405](#) Creighton, Brandon (Identical)
5-20-17 H Referred to House Committee on House Business and Industry

Bill History: 05-30-17 G Sent to the Governor

[HB 1974](#) [Wray, John\(R\)](#)
[Rodriguez, Jose\(D\)](#) Relating to durable powers of attorney.

Companions: [SB 926](#) Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)
5-11-17 S Placed on the Senate
Calendar for

Bill History: 05-30-17 G Sent to the Governor

[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)
5-15-17 H Committee action pending
House Business and Industry

Bill History: 03-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

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

Companions: [SB 2212](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
5-28-17 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 05-06-17 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

[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.
[Wray, John\(R\)](#)

Companions: [HB 1354](#) Wray, John (Identical)
5- 9-17 H Laid on the table - subject
to call - see SB 617

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[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: 05-17-17 H Committee action pending House Land and Resource Management

[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: 05-17-17 H Committee action pending House Land and Resource Management

[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)
3-16-17 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

Bill History: 05-15-17 H Committee action pending House Business and Industry

[SB 926](#) [Rodriguez, Jose\(D\)](#) Relating to durable powers of attorney.

Companions: [HB 1974](#) Wray, John (Identical)
5-30-17 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 05-11-17 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

[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)
5-30-17 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 05-20-17 H Referred to House Committee on House Business and Industry

[SB 1431](#) [Zaffirini, Judith\(D\)](#) Relating to escrow payments for a loan secured by a new dwelling.

Bill History: 04-18-17 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

[SB 2212](#) [Hancock, Kelly\(R\)](#)
[Kuempel, John\(R\)](#) Relating to certain real estate brokerage and advertising activities and to certain functions of the Texas Real Estate Commission.

Companions: [HB 2534](#) Kuempel, John (Identical)
5- 6-17 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

Bill History: 05-28-17 G Sent to the Governor

I - Taxation/Related Topics

[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: 05-19-17 S Committee action pending Senate Finance

[HB 423](#)

[Wray, John\(R\)](#)

Relating to the computation of cost of goods sold for purposes of the franchise tax by taxable entities that transport ready-mixed concrete.

Companions: [SB 1108](#) Birdwell, Brian (Identical)
3- 7-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 05-19-17 S Committee action pending Senate Finance

[HB 2126](#)

[Button, Angie\(R\)](#)
[Birdwell, Brian\(R\)](#)

Relating to the franchise tax rate applicable to certain taxable entities that sell telephone prepaid calling cards.

Companions: [SB 1726](#) Birdwell, Brian (Identical)
3-23-17 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 01-01-18 G Earliest effective date

[HB 3992](#)

[Murphy, Jim\(R\)](#)
[Perry, Charles\(R\)](#)

Relating to a franchise tax exemption for certain cooperatives with a member that has farmer-fruit grower members.

Bill History: 05-30-17 G Sent to the Governor

[HB 4002](#)

[Bonnen, Dennis\(R\)](#)
[Nelson, Jane\(R\)](#)

Relating to the definition of "production" in the cost of goods sold deduction for the franchise tax.

Bill History: 09-01-17 G Earliest effective date

[HB 4180](#)

[Coleman, Garnet\(D\)](#)
[Kolkhorst, Lois\(R\)](#)

Relating to issues affecting counties and other governmental entities.

Bill History: 05-26-17 H Set on the House Items Eligible Calendar

[SB 2](#)

[Bettencourt, Paul\(R\)](#)
[Bonnen, Dennis\(R\)](#)

Relating to ad valorem taxation.

Bill History: 05-20-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Ways and Means

[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: 05-18-17 H Voted favorably from committee on House Ways and Means

[SB 518](#)

[Miles, Borris \(F\)\(D\)](#)

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

Companions: [HB 595](#) Workman, Paul (Identical)
5- 5-17 H Reported from committee as substituted House Ways and Means

Bill History: 05-02-17 H Referred to House Committee on House Ways and Means

[SB 550](#)

[Campbell, Donna\(R\)](#)
[Rodriguez, Justin\(D\)](#)

Relating to the sale or assignment of tax credits for the certified rehabilitation of certified historic structures.

Companions: [HB 1199](#) Rodriguez, Justin (Identical)
4-20-17 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 550

Bill History: 05-04-17 G Earliest effective date

[SB 669](#)

[Nelson, Jane\(R\)](#)
[Zerwas, John\(R\)](#)

Relating to the system for protesting or appealing certain ad valorem tax determinations.

Bill History: 05-27-17 H Set on the House Items Eligible Calendar

J - Choice of Law

[HB 45](#)

[Flynn, Dan\(R\)](#)
[Huffman, Joan\(R\)](#)

Relating to the application of foreign laws and foreign forum selection in this state.

Companions:

[HB 670](#)

Flynn, Dan

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from
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Session)

Bill History:

05-26-17 G Sent to the Governor

[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)

9- 1-17 G Earliest effective date

Bill History:

05-11-17 H Set on the House Calendar

[SB 807](#)

[Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#)
[Workman, Paul\(R\)](#)

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

Companions:

[HB 1844](#)

Workman, Paul

(Identical)

5-11-17 H Set on the House
Calendar

Bill History:

09-01-17 G Earliest effective date