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With the usual array of late-night antics, lengthy floor calendars, points of order, and chubbing, the session wind-down rules kicked-in for remaining HBs in the House. The rules effectively killed hundreds of unreached bills set on the Thursday House calendar, along with all other non-local HBs pending in committee. Unfortunately, included in the unreached bills was HB 1875, the Business Courts bill. The bill came within 16 bills of being taken up on the floor, which essentially translated to a matter of minutes. Notwithstanding, the set-back, the effort went further and had more support and momentum than in any previous session. Its chances for future success have been greatly advanced.

Work in the House now turns to SBs, concurrences, and conference committees. The Senate's more flexible wind-down rules permit it to continue somewhat normally.

Please continue to review bills in the SBOT Legislative Tracking Report categories of interest to you, and advise of concerns so that those bills can be moved to the overview section for more complete monitoring and possible action (as may be directed by the TBLF).

A -- Section Prepared Bills

Bills in this category are proposed by the TBLF.

Business Organization Code – Omnibus Amendment Package

Substantive and technical amendments to the BOC, including general domestic entity updates and specific corporation, LLC, limited partnership, and REIT modifications. The package was developed by the BLS BOC Drafting Committee.

[SB 1203](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3364](#) (Turner) -- Relating to business entities.

SB passed, sent to Governor on 5/4

Thanks again to Chairman Hancock, Chairman Turner, and the TBLF witness team, consisting of Daryl Robertson & Lorna Wassdorf (along with Elizabeth Miller & John Podvin remotely). TBLF endorsement letters have been sent to the Governor.

LLC Registered Series

Provides for the use of protected and registered series by LLCs. The bill was also developed by the BLS BOC Drafting Committee.

[SB 1523](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3506](#) (Turner) -- Relating to registered and protected series of domestic limited liability companies; authorizing fees.

SB passed, sent to Governor on 5/4

Again, thanks to Chairman Hancock, Chairman Turner, and the TBLF witness team of Daryl Robertson & Lorna Wassdorf (along with Elizabeth Miller & John Podvin remotely). TBLF endorsement letters have been sent to the Governor.

Securities Act Corrections

Technical amendments to the recodified Texas Securities Act deleting cross-references that confusingly could be construed to link TSA provisions that impose no duties on private actors to TSA private civil remedy provisions. Developed by the BLS Securities Committee, and approved by the SBOT Legislative Policy Committee and Board of Directors.

[SB 1280](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3443](#) (Anchia) -- Relating to certain provisions of the Securities Act for which a person offering or selling a security may be held liable to a person buying the security.

SB passed, sent to Governor on 5/4

Thanks to Chairman Hancock, Chairman Anchia, and TBLF witness, Carol Mattick (along with John Fahy & John Podvin remotely). TBLF endorsement letters have been sent to the Governor.

B -- Business Courts

Texas Business Courts

Endorsements from major trade associations and policy groups, the Governor's express recommendation, and strong outreach and development by the TBLF working

committee have given legislation for the creation of specialized Texas business strong momentum. The Association of Corporate Counsel and the Texas Lawbook webinar on HB 1875 coordinated by Irene Kosturakis and Mike Tankersley provided a helpful and expansive forum, adding to the momentum.

[HB 1875](#) (Landgraf) -- Relating to the creation of the business court and the court of business appeals to hear certain cases; authorizing fees. JCJ Chairman Jeff Leach, Appropriations Chairman Greg Bonnen, and JCJ member Rep. Reggie Smith signed on the bill as joint-sponsors.

As reported above, the bill was not reached on Thursday's final House HB floor calendar, and therefore is dead. Other remaining options for moving forward during the session are under consideration by Chairman Landgraf and the Governor's staff.

The commitment, enthusiasm, expanded support, and awareness generated for HB 1875 bode well for future efforts. Again, thanks the TBLF witness team of Evan Young, Justice Tom Phillips, John Podvin, Brent Benoit, David Harrell, John Ale, and Mike Tankersley for the exceptional presentations in JCJ. Also, thanks to Frank Ruttenberg and Ron Chichester for their efforts and advocacy on the issue within the SBOT.

Appellate Court Reapportionment

This concept is another approach to impacting appellate court justice selection, particularly if more general proposals for judicial selection reform stall. The concept has been embraced by Lt. Gov. Patrick and is included in his legislative priority package.

[SB 11](#) (Huffman)/[HB 339](#) (King)/[HB 2613](#) (Murr) -- The bill initially addressed the county make-ups of the 5th, 6th, and 12th Courts of Appeals, but has been significantly amended to decrease the number of appellate courts.

*SB left pending in Senate Jurisprudence on 4/15
HB 339 dead
HB 2613 dead*

Texas Court of Appeals (Administrative Law Appeals)

This initiative creates a new intermediary, statewide appeals court (5 justices elected statewide) focused exclusively on administrative action appeals, including state agency related cases. This is a spin-off from SB 11 reapportionment effort.

[SB 1529](#) (Huffman) -- Relating to the creation of the Texas Court of Appeals to hear certain cases; authorizing fees

Scheduled for House committee hearing on 5/10, withdrawn on 5/10

C – BUSINESS ENTITIES

Governing Persons or Officers

[HB 514](#) (Beckley) -- Relating to repealing provisions prohibiting a physician assistant from serving as a governing person or officer of certain business entities.

Dead

Blockchain - Work Group

[SB 1076](#) (Paxton)/[HB 1576](#) (Parker) -- Relating to the creation of a work group on blockchain matters concerning this state.

SB heard in Senate B&C on 5/4, left pending

HB passed House, voted favorably from B&C on 5/12

John Podvin and Ron Chichester provided support statements at the House committee hearing, and a general TBLF support card was filed.

Digital Identity - Work Group

[SB 1077](#) (Paxton)/[HB 2199](#) (Parker) -- Relating to the establishment of the digital identity work group.

SB referred to B&C

HB passed House, referred to B&C on 5/10

Blockchain - UETA

This measure is supported by the 'Texas Blockchain Council' ("TBC"), who is advancing Texas initiatives to blunt the aggressive crypto legal-landscape developing in Wyoming. See also **Virtual Currency** in the UCC section.

[SB 344](#) (Paxton) -- Relating to the use of electronic signatures that employ blockchain or distributed ledger technology in certain business or governmental transactions, including related modifications to UETA. It appears a primary concern relates to state agency use (and the possible creation of unfunded mandates), where agency authority is questionable. Should the bill move, the TBC appears agreeable to removing the UETA changes, concurring with Professor Bill Henning that certain uniform laws remain technology agnostic. The remaining bill would address the state agency issue.

SB referred to State Affairs Committee

SOS Filing Fee Exemption

[SB 938](#) (Campbell)/[HB 1671](#) (Holland) -- Reinstates an exemption from the franchise tax and certain filing fees for certain businesses owned by veterans during an initial period of operation in the state.

*SB passed the Senate, voted favorably from Ways & Means on 5/10
HB dead*

Professional Entities: ESOP Ownership

[HB 2246](#) (Shine) – Amends BOC Chapters 301 & 303, providing for employee-owned companies, related assistance programs, and contracting preferences. This is an initiative of an alliance of ESOPs to increase use, and is similar to Rep. Shine's bill from last session.

Dead

Business Purchase – Comptroller Tax Disclosure

[SB 873](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3060](#) (Button) – Relating to disclosure by the comptroller to the purchaser of a business of the amount of tax due.

*SB reported favorably from House Ways & Means Committee on 4/14
HB dead*

Covenants Not To Compete – Discharged Employees

[HB 1327](#) (Canales) – Relating to the enforceability of covenants not to compete against certain discharged employees. TBLF concerns with the bill have been communicated to Rep. Canales.

Dead

Covenants Not To Compete – Low-Wage Employees

[HB 4290](#) (Hinojosa) -- Relating to a prohibition against covenants not to compete for certain low-wage employees.

Dead

Social Media Censorship

[SB 12](#) (Hughes)/[HB 2587](#) (Sanford)/[HB 3106](#) (Toth) -- Relating to the censorship of users' expressions by an interactive computer service.

*SB 12 passed Senate, reported favorably from House State Affairs
Committee on 5/14
HB 2587 dead
HB 3106 dead*

Social Media Censorship – Antitrust

[HB 3105](#) (Toth) – Relating to unlawful acts and practices of social media platforms.

Dead

Social Media Censorship – State Contracts/Investments

[SB 1158](#) (Kolkhorst) -- Relating to state contracts with and investments in social media companies that censor political speech.

Passed Senate on 4/22 (17-14 vote), referred to State Affairs Committee on 4/28

NPCs – Government Contracts

[HB 3100](#) (Campos) -- Relating to requirements for governmental contracts with nonprofit organizations regarding the use of money provided under those contracts.

Dead

NPCs – Donor Information

[SB 1678](#) (Campbell)/[HB 4275](#) (Klick) -- Relating to the prohibited release by a public agency of information regarding the members, supporters, or volunteers of or donors to certain nonprofit organizations; creating a criminal offense.

*SB passed Senate, referred to House State Affairs Committee on 4/19
HB dead*

BODs: Mandated Female Directors

This issue returns, along with related constitutional concerns and prospective actions by NASDAQ.

[SB 1634](#) (Miles)/[HB 4070](#) (Minjarez) -- Relating to requiring female representation on the boards of directors of certain publicly traded corporations; authorizing administrative penalties.

*SB referred to B&C
HB dead*

BODs: Civil Rights Laws

[SB 2118](#) (Hughes) -- Relating to ensuring compliance with federal civil-rights laws by corporations doing business in Texas, and prohibiting discrimination in the selection of a corporation's board members.

SB referred to State Affairs Committee

Certificates of Formation – Address

[HB 3131](#) (Cole) -- Relating to the information required to be included in the certificate of formation of a filing entity. Requires a "preferred mailing address". TBLF concerns with the bill have been communicated to Rep. Cole and the Comptroller. The Comptroller advises the bill is needed in connection with tax notices.

Passed House, referred to B&C on 5/11

Communications with the Comptroller's staff indicate a willingness to make certain TBLF requested changes in the Senate. The changes have been confirmed by initial communications with Senate staff.

Corporate Privileges Termination - Environmental Disasters

This initiative presents numerous concerns, including 'why aren't existing penalties and remedies adequate', recourse against and corrective actions by offending entities could be impeded, 'piercing the veil' issues, insurance coverage blocked, and applicable federal programs frustrated.

[HB 3477](#) (Rose) -- Relating to the termination of corporate privileges for certain business entities under enforcement action for a violation of environmental laws. TBLF concerns have been communicated to Rep. Rose, who advises that the bill is in response to an environmental problem in her Southeast Dallas district.

Dead. Failed on the House floor 64-79

Oil & Gas Companies - Boycott Prevention

[SB 13](#) (Birdwell)/ [HB 2189](#) (King) -- Relating to contracts with and investments in companies that boycott certain energy companies.

*SB in conference committee
HB dead*

Critical Infrastructure Contracts – Certain Foreign-Owned Company Prohibitions

[SB 2116](#) (Campbell)/[HB 4359](#) (Parker) -- Relating to prohibiting contracts or other agreements with certain foreign-owned companies in connection with critical infrastructure in this state.

*SB passed Senate, referred to House State Affairs Committee on 5/14
HB dead*

Gun Industry Discrimination – Government Contracting Disclosure and Restrictions

[SB 19](#) (Schwertner)/ [HB 2558](#) (Capriglione) -- Relating to prohibited contracts with companies that discriminate against the firearm or ammunition industries. Applies to all contracts between government entities and companies with at least 10 full-time employees and ‘a value of at least \$100,000’. Requires written verification within contracts.

*SB passed Senate, passed House on 5/13 with amendments, heads back to Senate
HB dead*

Assumed Name Certificates

Amends chapter 71, Business & Commerce Code, impacting prior TBLF legislative initiatives.

[SB 2160](#) (Menendez) – Relating to the filing of an assumed name certificate by certain business entities.

Referred to B&C

D – UCC

Oil & Gas - Lien Perfection

This effort addresses the *First River Energy* case, and entails amendments to UCC Chapter 9. The initiative is spearheaded by the Texas Land & Mineral Owners Association (“TLMOA”), and enjoys producer support.

[SB 1468](#) (Hinojosa)/[HB 3794](#) (Geren) – Relating to oil and gas liens. Adds new Chapter 67 to the Property Code to govern certain oil & gas liens, essentially restoring the priority of oil & gas interest owners and producers over first purchasers of production. It repeals UCC 9.343 and initially amended UCC 9.203. The BLS UCC Committee questioned the UCC 9.203 modification, and advised the modification would adversely impact oil & gas lending transactions. An amendment acceptable to Karen Neeley and Daryl Robertson resolving the concerns was added to the bill.

SB heard in Natural Resources & Economic Development Committee on 4/22, left pending
HB passed House, voted favorably from Natural Resources & Economic Development Committee on 5/11

Virtual Currency

The TBC has proposed crypto-currency related amendments to UCC Chapters 1 and 9 to enhance Texas as an attractive state for crypto industry development. Texas A&M law Professor Bill Henning (NCCUSL & ALI) has weighed-in on the blockchain and crypto debate as it relates to the UCC, along with Texas banking groups, to urge restraint so as to not inadvertently impact general financial application of the UCC. It's noted that a proposed new UCC chapter governing the subject will be released within the next year. John Podvin, Karen Neely, and John Fleming have been extensively involved in these discussions. See also **Blockchain - UETA** in the Business Entities section.

[HB 4474](#) (Parker) -- Relating to the control of virtual currency and the rights of purchasers who obtain control of virtual currency for purposes of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Passed House, referred to B&C on 5/13

The bill as introduced was reworked to narrowly focus on virtual currency only, but within UCC 9. Efforts by banking groups, the BLS UCC Committee, and Professor Henning resulted in further refinement, essentially moving the virtual currency content to a new UCC 12 (within the bill). Professor Henning believes the new chapter is an acceptable precursor to the anticipated NCCUSL version. Joseph Jacobson and Ron Chichester have reviewed the proposed UCC 12, and also believe on balance it's a significant improvement, but have suggested some tweaks (which they suggest can be considered when the final NCCUSL version is released).

E -- Securities

Registered Securities Market Operators/Securities Transactions/Derivative Contracts –

Taxation [SB 2001](#) (Springer)/[HB 3702](#) (Paddie) -- Relating to prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a tax on certain transactions that either convey a security or involve specified derivative contracts.

SB referred to Finance Committee
HB passed House, referred to Finance Committee on 5/13

[SJR 67](#) (Springer)/[HJR 140](#) (Paddie) -- Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a tax on certain transactions that either convey a security or involve specified derivative contracts.

SJR referred to Finance Committee

HJR passed House, referred to Finance Committee on 5/13

State Securities Board – Self-Directed Status

[HB 4131](#) (Parker) -- Relating to the self-directed and semi-independent status of the State Securities Board; authorizing fees.

Passed House, referred to Senate Finance Committee on 5/12

See **Securities Act Corrections** in the Section Prepared Bills section.

F -- Financial Institutions

Rule Against Perpetuities

[SB 1377](#) (Johnson)/[HB 654](#) (Lucio) – Provides for a 300-year vesting period.

SB referred to Senate Jurisprudence Committee

HB passed House, passed Senate with amendments, heads back to House

M & M Liens

[HB 2237](#) (Burrows) – Relating to mechanic's, contractor's, or materialman's liens. Chairman Burrows advises all stakeholders are now in agreement on this long-attempted effort.

Passed House, referred to B&C on 5/10

Agreed Exchange Mediums

[HJR 100](#) (Parker) – Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the right to own, hold and use any mutually agreed upon medium of exchange.

Dead

[SJR 55](#) (Creighton) -- Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the right to own, hold, and use any mutually agreed upon medium of exchange.

Heard in B&C on 4/6, left pending

Biometric Identifiers

[HB 1977](#) (Parker) – Relating to the applicability of certain limitations on the capture and use of biometric identifiers in financial institutions.

Dead

Biometric Identifiers: Personal Identifying Information

[HB 4164](#) (Capriglione) -- Relating to the authority of individuals over the personal identifying information collected, processed, or maintained about the individuals and certain others by certain businesses.

Dead

Savings & Mortgage Lending Commissioner – Authority

[SB 1900](#) (Zaffirini)/[HB 4309](#) (Anchia) -- Relating to the regulatory authority of the savings and mortgage lending commissioner; authorizing fees.

*SB passed Senate, passed House PIFS, set for floor debate
HB dead*

Credit Union Department/Credit Union Commission -- Sunset

[SB 707](#) (Paxton)/[HB 1840](#) (Lambert) -- Relating to the continuation and functions of the Credit Union Department and the Credit Union Commission.

*SB reported favorably from House PIFS, set for floor debate
HB dead*

G -- Choice of Law

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

H -- Business Liability

Government Official Insider Trading

[HB 1595](#) (Meyer) – Relating to increasing the criminal penalties for insider trading and other misuse of official information.

Dead

Pandemic Liability Shield

[HB 3](#) (Burrows) – Relating to state and local government responses to a pandemic disaster. This is the proposed comprehensive Texas Pandemic

Response Act, which separates pandemics from general Government Code provisions addressing emergency management and disasters, and addresses pandemic liability shields for businesses.

Passed House, referred to State Affairs Committee on 5/13

[SB 6](#) (Hancock)/[HB 3659](#) (Leach) -- Relating to liability for certain claims arising during a pandemic or other disaster or emergency. This is the primary liability shield bill.

*SB passed Senate, passed House JCJ on 4/28
HB dead*

NDA – Sexual Misconduct

[HB 1980](#) (Neave) – Relating to the prohibition of certain required nondisclosure or confidentiality agreements.

Dead

Antitrust - AG Procedures

[SB 1247](#) (Creighton)/[HB 4267](#) (Oliverson) -- Relating to the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act of 1983.

*SB passed State Affairs Committee on 4/22, pending on Senate floor
HB dead*

I -- Real Estate and Related Topics

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

J -- Taxation and Related Topics

Franchise Tax - PPP Loans

[SB 372](#) (Hancock)/ [HB 1195](#) (Geren) – Relating to the forgiveness of a loan made under the Paycheck Protection Program for franchise tax purposes.

HB passed, signed by Governor, effective 5/8

Franchise Tax - LLCs

[HB 2704](#) (Morrison) -- This initiative permits classification of certain LLCs as passive entities (similar to partnerships) for exemption from franchise taxes. The effort continues from last session.

Dead

Business Sale – Successor Tax Liability

[SB 902](#) (Perry) – Relating to the period during which a purchaser's successor liability for taxes owed by the seller of a business may be enforced.

Set in Senate Finance Committee on 3/30, but not heard

Digital Advertising Tax

[HB 4467](#) (Martinez Fischer) -- Relating to imposing a tax on certain revenue derived from digital advertising services.

Dead

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A - Section Prepared

 HB 3364

Turner, Chris(D)

Relating to business entities.

Companions: [SB 1203](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
5- 4-21 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 04-14-21 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

 HB 3443

Anchia, Rafael(D)

Relating to certain provisions of The Securities Act for which a person offering or selling a security may be held liable to a person buying the security.

Companions: [SB 1280](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
5- 4-21 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 04-30-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 1280

 **HB 3506** Turner, Chris(D) Relating to registered and protected series of domestic limited liability companies.

Companions: [SB 1523](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
5- 4-21 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 04-14-21 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

 **SB 1203** Hancock, Kelly(R)
Turner, Chris(D) Relating to business entities.

Companions: [HB 3364](#) Turner, Chris (Identical)
4-14-21 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

Bill History: 05-04-21 G Sent to the Governor

 **SB 1280** Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to certain provisions of The Securities Act for which a person offering or selling a security may be held liable to a person buying the security.

Companions: [HB 3443](#) Anchia, Rafael (Identical)
4-30-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 1280

Bill History: 05-04-21 G Sent to the Governor

 **SB 1523** Hancock, Kelly(R)
Turner, Chris(D) Relating to registered and protected series of domestic limited liability companies.

Companions: [HB 3506](#) Turner, Chris (Identical)
4-14-21 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar

Bill History: 05-04-21 G Sent to the Governor

Total A - Section Prepared Bills: 6

B - Business Courts

 **HB 49** Fierro, Art(D) Relating to allowing straight-party voting.

Companions:	HB 120	Reynolds, Ron	(Identical)
		2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections	
	HB 1175	Crockett, Jasmine (F)	(Identical)
		3- 4-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections	
	HB 2871	Anchia, Rafael	(Identical)
		3-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections	
Bill History:	02-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections		

HB 120

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HB 49

Fierro, Art

(Identical)

2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections

HB 1175

Crockett, Jasmine (F)

(Identical)

3- 4-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections

HB 2871

Anchia, Rafael

(Identical)

3-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections

Bill History:

02-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections

 HB 339

King, Phil(R)

Relating to the composition of the court of appeals districts.

Companions:

HB 2613

Murr, Andrew

(Identical)

3-17-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Redistricting

SB 11

Huffman, Joan

(Identical)

4-15-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence

Bill History:

02-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Redistricting

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HB 2871

Anchia, Rafael

(Identical)

		3-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections
	Bill History:	03-04-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections
 HB 1839	Stephenson, Phil(R)	Relating to the age qualifications for a person elected or appointed to serve as a district judge.
	Bill History:	03-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 HB 1875	Landgraf, Brooks(R)	Relating to the creation of the business court and the court of 2 business appeals to hear certain cases.
	Bill History:	05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar
 HB 2613	Murr, Andrew(R)	Relating to the composition of the court of appeals districts.
	Companions:	HB 339 King, Phil (Identical) 2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Redistricting SB 11 Huffman, Joan (Identical) 4-15-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence
	Bill History:	03-17-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Redistricting
 HB 2871	Anchia, Rafael(D)	Relating to allowing straight-party voting.
	Companions:	HB 49 Fierro, Art (Identical) 2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections HB 120 Reynolds, Ron (Identical) 2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections HB 1175 Crockett, Jasmine (F) (Identical) 3- 4-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections
	Bill History:	03-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections
 HB 2950	Smith, Reggie(R)	Relating to the composition of and actions transferred by the judicial panel on multidistrict litigation.
	Bill History:	05-14-21 S Received in the Senate
 HB 3053	Rodriguez, Eddie(D)	Relating to the qualifications of judges of certain courts.

Bill History: 05-05-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 **HB 3611** Leach, Jeff(R) Relating to remotely conducting court proceedings in this state.

Companions: **SB 690** Zaffirini, Judith (Identical)
4-22-21 S Committee action pending Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

 **SB 11** Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to the composition of the court of appeals districts.

Companions: **HB 339** King, Phil (Identical)
2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Redistricting
HB 2613 Murr, Andrew (Identical)
3-17-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Redistricting

Bill History: 04-15-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence

 **SB 690** Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to remotely conducting court proceedings in this state.

Companions: **HB 3611** Leach, Jeff (Identical)
5-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

Bill History: 04-22-21 S Committee action pending Senate State Affairs

 **SB 1529** Huffman, Joan(R) Relating to the creation of the Texas Court of Appeals to hear certain cases.

Bill History: 05-05-21 H Removed from hearing 05/10/21 - House State Affairs

 **SJR 47** Huffman, Joan(R)
Landgraf, Brooks(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment changing the eligibility requirements for certain judicial offices.

Bill History: 05-18-21 H Set on the House Calendar

Total B - Business Courts Bills: 15

C - Business Entities

 HB 4	Price, Four(R) Buckingham, Dawn(R)	Relating to telemedicine, telehealth, and technology-related health care services.
Companions:		HB 974 Price, Four (Identical) 3- 1-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health SB 412 Buckingham, Dawn (Identical) 3-23-21 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services
Bill History:		05-12-21 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services
 HB 5	Ashby, Trent(R) Nichols, Robert(R)	Relating to the expansion of broadband services to certain areas.
Bill History:		05-06-21 S Senate appointed conference committee Nichols, West, Perry, Hinojosa and Hancock
 HB 10	Paddie, Chris(R) Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to the governing body of the independent organization certified to manage the ERCOT power region.
Bill History:		05-03-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence
 HB 11	Paddie, Chris(R) Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to the extreme weather emergency preparedness of facilities for providing electric service.
Bill History:		05-03-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence
 HB 12	Raymond, Richard(D) Creighton, Brandon(R)	Relating to a study on a statewide disaster and extended power outage alert system and implementation of that system.
Bill History:		05-03-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence
 HB 13	Paddie, Chris(R) Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to the establishment of the Texas Energy Disaster Reliability Council.
Bill History:		05-03-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence
 HB 14	Goldman, Craig(R) Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to the creation of the Texas Electricity Supply Chain Mapping Committee.

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Committee action pending Senate Jurisprudence

 **HB 16** Hernandez, Ana(D)
Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to a prohibition on the sale of wholesale indexed products by retail electric providers.

Bill History: 05-12-21 H House concurred in Senate amendments (Vote: Y:123/N: 24)

 **HB 17** Deshotel, Joe(D)
Birdwell, Brian(R) Relating to a restriction on the regulation of utility services and infrastructure based on the energy source to be used or delivered.

Companions:

HB 1282	Deshotel, Joe	(Identical)
	3- 4-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs	
SB 1262	Birdwell, Brian	(Identical)
	4-13-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce	

Bill History: 05-06-21 G Sent to the Governor

 **HB 514** Beckley, Michelle(D) Relating to repealing provisions prohibiting a physician assistant from serving as a governing person or officer of certain business entities.

Companions:

HB 4066	Beckley, Michelle (F)	(Refiled from 86R Session)
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Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health

 **HB 899** Middleton, Mayes(R) Relating to prohibiting a licensing authority from taking disciplinary action against certain license holders for violating an emergency management plan or a rule, order, or ordinance issued under the plan.

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 **HB 974** Price, Four(R) Relating to telemedicine, telehealth, and technology-related health care services.

Companions:

HB 4	Price, Four	(Identical)
	5-12-21 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services	
SB 412	Buckingham, Dawn	(Identical)
	3-23-21 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services	

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health		
 HB 1036	Meza, Terry(D)	Relating to limits on certain political contributions.
Bill History: 03-04-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Elections		
 HB 1137	Cain, Briscoe(R)	Relating to limiting the assessment of certain fees and taxes during a declared state of disaster.
Bill History: 03-04-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		
 HB 1158	Metcalf, Will(R)	Relating to the inclusion of a nonprofit attraction on a specific information logo sign.
Bill History: 04-19-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Transportation		
 HB 1282	Deshotel, Joe(D)	Relating to a restriction on the regulation of utility services and infrastructure based on the energy source to be used or delivered.
Companions: HB 17 Deshotel, Joe (Identical) 5- 6-21 G Sent to the Governor		
SB 1262 Birdwell, Brian (Identical) 4-13-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce		
Bill History: 03-04-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs		
 HB 1327	Canales, Terry(D)	Relating to the enforceability of covenants not to compete against certain discharged employees.
Bill History: 03-05-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry		
 HB 1336	Pacheco, Leo(D)	Relating to requiring state contractors and political subdivisions of this state to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify.
Companions: HB 1660 Pacheco, Leo (Identical) 3- 9-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs		
Bill History: 03-05-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs		

 **HB 1380** Longoria, Oscar(D) Relating to information technology purchased through the Department of Information Resources.

Companions: [SB 538](#) Blanco, Cesar (F) (Identical)
5-12-21 G Sent to the Governor

Bill History: 04-27-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 538

 **HB 1493** Herrero, Abel(D) Relating to the use of an entity name that falsely implies governmental affiliation.

Companions: [SB 275](#) Hinojosa, Chuy (Identical)
4-30-21 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

Bill History: 05-03-21 S Received in the Senate

 **HB 1520** Paddie, Chris(R) Relating to the recovery and securitization of extraordinary costs incurred by certain gas utilities.

Companions: [SB 1579](#) Hancock, Kelly (Identical)
3-24-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development

 **HB 1576** Parker, Tan(R)
Paxton, Angela(R) Relating to the creation of a work group on blockchain matters concerning this state.

Companions: [SB 1076](#) Paxton, Angela (Identical)
5- 4-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 05-12-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 **HB 1634** Lucio III, Eddie(D) Relating to the regulation of call centers.

Bill History: 04-06-21 H Committee action pending House Business and Industry

 **HB 1656** Murphy, Jim(R) Relating to certain orders, proclamations, and regulations issued in response to a disaster by the governor or the presiding officer of the governing body of a political subdivision.

Bill History: 04-27-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House State Affairs

 HB 1660	Pacheco, Leo(D)	Relating to requiring state contractors and political subdivisions of this state to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify.
Companions:		HB 1336 Pacheco, Leo (Identical) 3- 5-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
Bill History:		03-09-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 1671	Holland, Justin(R)	Relating to an exemption from the franchise tax and certain filing fees for certain businesses owned by veterans during an initial period of operation in the state.
Companions:		SB 938 Campbell, Donna (Identical) 5-13-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
Bill History:		03-09-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
 HB 1682	Krause, Matt(R)	Relating to disclosures by liability insurers and policyholders to third-party claimants.
Companions:		HB 649 Krause, Matt (Refiled from 86R Session)
Bill History:		04-20-21 H Committee action pending House Insurance
 HB 1743	Guerra, Bobby(D)	Relating to the protection of personal information sold by a state agency to a contractor.
Bill History:		05-08-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House State Affairs
 HB 1865	Cain, Briscoe(R)	Relating to encouraging economic development through preferences for residents of this state and certain goods or services manufactured in this state and offered for sale by Texas bidders.
Companions:		SB 1400 Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 3-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
Bill History:		03-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 HB 1959	Swanson, Valoree(R)	Relating to the maintenance of records and charging of fees by a notary public.
Bill History:		05-12-21 S Received in the Senate
 HB 2066	Dominguez, Alex(D)	Relating to emergency management for cybersecurity events threatening this state.
Bill History:		05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar
 HB 2189	King, Phil(R)	Relating to state contracts with and investments in companies that boycott certain energy companies.
Companions:		SB 13 Birdwell, Brian (Identical) 5-14-21 H Set on the House Items Eligible Calendar
Bill History:		05-03-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 13
 HB 2199	Parker, Tan(R)	Relating to the establishment of the digital identity work group.
Companions:		SB 1077 Paxton, Angela (Identical) 3-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
Bill History:		05-10-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 HB 2239	Gates, Gary(R)	Relating to providing automatic tax relief to certain parties affected by an emergency order, proclamation, or regulation.
Bill History:		03-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
 HB 2246	Shine, Hugh(R)	Relating to companies in which employees have ownership interests through employee stock ownership plans.
Bill History:		05-10-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House State Affairs
 HB 2587	Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to the censorship of users' expressions by an interactive computer service.
Companions:		HB 3106 Toth, Steve (Identical) 3-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs SB 12 Hughes, Bryan (Identical)

		5-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee on House State Affairs
	Bill History:	04-08-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
 HB 2662	Krause, Matt(R)	Relating to the elimination of certain regulations waived during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.
	Bill History:	03-17-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 2665	Leman, Ben(R)	Relating to the size, terms, and election of boards of directors of certain insurance companies.
	Companions:	SB 918 Kolkhorst, Lois (Identical) 4-22-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Insurance
	Bill History:	05-07-21 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar
 HB 2823	Bonnen, Greg(R)	Relating to requiring state contractors and political subdivisions of this state to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify, and authorizing the suspension o
	Bill History:	03-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 3001	Cason, Jeff (F)(R)	Relating to the censorship or disfavoring of political or religious speech by a social media website.
	Bill History:	03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 3060	Button, Angie Chen(R)	Relating to disclosure by the comptroller to the purchaser of a business of the amount of tax due.
	Companions:	SB 873 Hancock, Kelly (Identical) 4-22-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
	Bill History:	03-29-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means
 HB 3100	Campos, Liz (F)(D)	Relating to requirements for governmental contracts with nonprofit organizations regarding the use of money provided under those contracts.
	Bill History:	03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 HB 3105	Toth, Steve(R)	Relating to unlawful acts and practices of social media platforms.
		Bill History: 03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 3106	Toth, Steve(R)	Relating to the censorship of users'™ expressions by an interactive computer service.
		Companions: HB 2587 Sanford, Scott (Identical) 4- 8-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs SB 12 Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 5-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee on House State Affairs
		Bill History: 03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 3131	Cole, Sheryl(D)	Relating to the information required to be included in the certificate of formation of a filing entity.
		Bill History: 05-11-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 HB 3477	Rose, Toni(D)	Relating to the termination of corporate privileges for certain business entities under enforcement action for a violation of environmental laws.
		Bill History: 05-13-21 H Failed to pass to third reading (Vote: N: 79/Y: 64)
 HB 3640	Hinojosa, Gina(D)	Relating to a preference in state purchasing for certain vendors.
		Bill History: 03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 3658	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to state agency contracting and state employees, officers, contractors, and other persons involved with the contracting.
		Bill History: 05-14-21 H Passed (Vote: Y:144/N: 0)
 HB 3687	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to the disclosure of lobbying contract information by political subdivisions.
		Bill History: 03-25-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
 HB 3781	Tinderholt, Tony(R)	Relating to a prohibition on executive orders issued during a declared state of disaster that

prohibit a business or category of businesses from operating.

Bill History: 03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 **HB 3911** **Romero, Ramon(D)** Relating to the eligibility of certain groups or associations that include self-employed individuals to participate in a multiple employer welfare arrangement.

Companions: **SB 1861** Powell, Beverly (Identical)
3-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 03-24-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Insurance

 **HB 4070** **Minjarez, Ina(D)** Relating to requiring female representation on the boards of directors of certain publicly traded corporations.

Companions: **SB 1197** Miles, Borris (Refiled from 86R Session)
SB 1634 Miles, Borris (Identical)
3-24-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

 **HB 4210** **Paul, Dennis(R)** Relating to the authority of entities regulated by the Texas Department of Insurance to conduct business electronically.

Bill History: 05-12-21 S Received in the Senate

 **HB 4275** **Klick, Stephanie(R)** Relating to the prohibited release by a public agency of information regarding the members, supporters, or volunteers of or donors to certain nonprofit organizations.

Companions: **SB 1678** Campbell, Donna (Identical)
4-19-21 H Referred to House Committee on House State Affairs

Bill History: 03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 **HB 4290** **Hinojosa, Gina(D)** Relating to a prohibition against covenants not to compete for certain low-wage employees.

			Companions: HB 2960 Hinojosa, Gina (Refiled from 86R Session)
			Bill History: 03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry
 HB 4359	Parker, Tan(R)	Relating to prohibiting contracts or other agreements with certain foreign-owned companies in connection with critical infrastructure in this state.	
			Companions: SB 2116 Campbell, Donna (Identical) 5-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House State Affairs
			Bill History: 04-14-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
 HB 4437	Walle, Armando(D)	Relating to the authority of certain counties to consider a prospective contractor's place of business when awarding certain contracts. .	
			Bill History: 05-10-21 S Received in the Senate
 HB 4443	Walle, Armando(D)	Relating to the disclosure of information by online marketplaces to inform consumers.	
			Bill History: 03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry
 HJR 85	Patterson, Jared(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment to prevent certain public officers and entities from prohibiting the operation of industries or other categories of business or commercial activity in this state.	
			Bill History: 03-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HJR 157	Gates, Gary(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a credit against the ad valorem taxes imposed on the property of certain businesses that are required to close by an order.	
			Companions: SJR 23 Paxton, Angela (Identical) 3- 9-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
			Bill History: 03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 SB 2	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to independent organizations certified to manage power regions.
		Bill History: 05-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House State Affairs
 SB 3	Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to preparing for, preventing, and responding to weather emergencies, power outages, and other disasters.
		Bill History: 05-07-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
 SB 4	Buckingham, Dawn(R)	Relating to provisions in agreements between governmental entities and professional sports teams requiring the United States national anthem to be played at team events.
		Bill History: 05-18-21 H Meeting set for 8:00 A.M., E1.004 - House State Affairs
 SB 5	Nichols, Robert(R)	Relating to the expansion of broadband services to certain areas.
		Bill History: 04-07-21 H Referred to House Committee on House State Affairs
 SB 12	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to the censorship of users' expressions by an interactive computer service.
		Companions:
		HB 2587 Sanford, Scott (Identical) 4- 8-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
		HB 3106 Toth, Steve (Identical) 3-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
		Bill History: 05-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee on House State Affairs
 SB 13	Birdwell, Brian(R) King, Phil(R)	Relating to contracts with and investments in companies that boycott certain energy companies.
		Companions:
		HB 2189 King, Phil (Identical) 5- 3-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 13
		Bill History: 05-14-21 H Set on the House Items Eligible Calendar

 SB 19	Schwertner, Charles(R) Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to prohibited contracts with companies that discriminate against the firearm or ammunition industries.
Bill History:		05-13-21 H Passed (Vote: Y: 86/N: 60)
 SB 249	Schwertner, Charles(R)	Relating to business interruption insurance coverage for losses arising from a pandemic.
Bill History:		03-03-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 275	Hinojosa, Chuy(D)	Relating to the use of an entity name that falsely implies governmental affiliation.
Companions:		HB 1493 Herrero, Abel (Identical) 5- 3-21 S Received in the Senate
Bill History:		04-30-21 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 SB 329	Paxton, Angela(R)	Relating to a credit against the ad valorem taxes imposed on the property of certain businesses that are required to close by an order, proclamation, or other instrument.
Bill History:		03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
 SB 344	Paxton, Angela(R)	Relating to the use of electronic signatures that employ blockchain or distributed ledger technology in certain business or governmental transactions.
Bill History:		03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs
 SB 412	Buckingham, Dawn(R)	Relating to telemedicine, telehealth, and technology-related health care services.
Companions:		HB 4 Price, Four (Identical) 5-12-21 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services HB 974 Price, Four (Identical) 3- 1-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Health
Bill History:		03-23-21 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services
 SB 538	Blanco, Cesar (F)(D) Longoria, Oscar(D)	Relating to information technology purchased through the Department of Information Resources.
Companions:		

		HB 1380 Longoria, Oscar (Identical) 4-27-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 538 Bill History: 05-12-21 G Sent to the Governor
 SB 873	Hancock, Kelly(R) Button, Angie Chen(R)	Relating to disclosure by the comptroller to the purchaser of a business of the amount of tax due. Companions: HB 3060 Button, Angie Chen (Identical) 3-29-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means Bill History: 04-22-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
 SB 918	Kolkhorst, Lois(R) Leman, Ben(R)	Relating to the size, terms, and election of boards of directors of certain insurance companies. Companions: HB 2665 Leman, Ben (Identical) 5- 7-21 H Recommended for Local and Consent Calendar Bill History: 04-22-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Insurance
 SB 938	Campbell, Donna(R) Holland, Justin(R)	Relating to an exemption from the franchise tax and certain filing fees for certain businesses owned by veterans during an initial period of operation in the state. Companions: HB 1671 Holland, Justin (Identical) 3- 9-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means Bill History: 05-13-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
 SB 1076	Paxton, Angela(R)	Relating to the creation of a work group on blockchain matter concerning this state. Companions: HB 1576 Parker, Tan (Identical) 5-12-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar Bill History: 05-04-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 1077	Paxton, Angela(R)	Relating to the establishment of the digital identity work group. Companions: HB 2199 Parker, Tan (Identical)

		5-10-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
	Bill History:	03-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 1158	Kolkhorst, Lois(R)	Relating to state contracts with and investments in social media companies that censor political speech.
	Bill History:	04-28-21 H Referred to House Committee on House State Affairs
 SB 1262	Birdwell, Brian(R)	Relating to a restriction on the regulation of utility services and infrastructure based on the energy source to be used or delivered.
	Companions:	HB 17 Deshotel, Joe (Identical) 5- 6-21 G Sent to the Governor
		HB 1282 Deshotel, Joe (Identical) 3- 4-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
	Bill History:	04-13-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 1400	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to encouraging economic development through preferences for residents of this state and certain goods or services manufactured in this state and offered for sale by Texas bidders.
	Companions:	HB 1865 Cain, Briscoe (Identical) 3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
	Bill History:	03-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
 SB 1471	Taylor, Larry(R)	Relating to eligibility to establish a multiple employer welfare arrangement.
	Companions:	SB 2304 Taylor, Larry (Refiled from 86R Session)
	Bill History:	05-14-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 20/N: 10)
 SB 1579	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to the recovery and securitization of extraordinary costs incurred by certain gas utilities.
	Companions:	HB 1520 Paddie, Chris (Identical)

		5-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development
	Bill History:	03-24-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development
 SB 1634	Miles, Borris(D)	Relating to requiring female representation on the boards of directors of certain publicly traded corporations.
	Companions:	HB 4070 Minjarez, Ina (Identical) 3-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry
	Bill History:	03-24-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 1678	Campbell, Donna(R)	Relating to the prohibited release by a public agency of information regarding the members, supporters, or volunteers of or donors to certain nonprofit organizations.
	Companions:	HB 4275 Klick, Stephanie (Identical) 3-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
	Bill History:	04-19-21 H Referred to House Committee on House State Affairs
 SB 1839	Eckhardt, Sarah (F)(D)	Relating to establishing an advisory board to study the creation of an entity to facilitate the certification, buying, and selling of carbon capture and sequestration credits.
	Bill History:	03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development
 SB 1861	Powell, Beverly(D)	Relating to the eligibility of certain groups or associations that include self-employed individuals to participate in a multiple employer welfare arrangement.
	Companions:	HB 3911 Romero, Ramon (Identical) 3-24-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Insurance
	Bill History:	03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 SB 2116	Campbell, Donna(R)	Relating to prohibiting contracts or other agreements with certain foreign-owned companies in connection with critical infrastructure in this state.
Companions:		HB 4359 Parker, Tan (Identical) 4-14-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
Bill History:		05-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House State Affairs
 SB 2118	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to ensuring compliance with federal civil-rights laws by corporations doing business in Texas, and prohibiting discrimination in the selection of a corporation's board members.
Bill History:		03-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs
 SB 2142	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to correcting the prices of wholesale power and ancillary services sold in the ERCOT market during a certain period.
Bill History:		03-18-21 H Referred to House Committee on House State Affairs
 SB 2154	Schwertner, Charles(R) Paddie, Chris(R)	Relating to the membership of the Public Utility Commission of Texas.
Bill History:		05-13-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House State Affairs
 SB 2160	Menendez, Jose(D)	Relating to the filing of an assumed name certificate by certain business entities.
Bill History:		04-06-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 SJR 23	Paxton, Angela(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a credit against the ad valorem taxes imposed on the property of certain businesses.
Companions:		HJR 157 Gates, Gary (Identical) 3-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
Bill History:		03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
 SJR 45	Birdwell, Brian(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment regarding the powers of the governor and the legislature following certain disaster or emergency declarations.

Bill History: 04-16-21 H Referred to House Committee on House State Affairs

Total C - Business Entities Bills: 94

D - UCC

 **HB 3794** Geren, Charlie(R)
Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to oil and gas liens.

Companions: [SB 1468](#) Hinojosa, Chuy (Identical)
4-22-21 S Committee action pending
Senate Natural Resources/Economic
Development

Bill History: 05-11-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 **HB 4474** Parker, Tan(R) Relating to the control of virtual currency and the rights of purchasers who obtain control of virtual currency for purposes of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 **SB 1468** Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to oil and gas liens.

Companions: [HB 3794](#) Geren, Charlie (Identical)
5-11-21 S Recommended for
Local/Uncontested Calendar

Bill History: 04-22-21 S Committee action pending Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development

Total D - UCC Bills: 3

E - Securities

 **HB 3702** Paddie, Chris(R) Relating to prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a tax on certain transactions that either

convey a security or involve specified derivative contracts.

Companions: [SB 2001](#) Springer, Drew (F) (Identical)
3-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

[A](#) [HB 4131](#) Parker, Tan(R) Relating to the self-directed and semi-independent status of the State Securities Board.

Bill History: 05-12-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

[A](#) [HJR 140](#) Paddie, Chris(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a tax on certain transactions that either convey a security or involve specified derivative contracts.

Companions: [SJR 67](#) Springer, Drew (F) (Identical)
3-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

[A](#) [SB 2001](#) Springer, Drew (F)(R) Relating to prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a tax on certain transactions that either convey a security or involve specified derivative contracts.

Companions: [HB 3702](#) Paddie, Chris (Identical)
5-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 03-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

[A](#) [SJR 67](#) Springer, Drew (F)(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a tax on certain transactions that either convey a security or involve specified derivative contracts.

Companions: [HJR 140](#) Paddie, Chris (Identical)
5-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Total E - Securities Bills: 5

F - Financial Institutions

 HB 570	Paddie, Chris(R)	Relating to small business recovery funds and insurance tax credits for certain investments in those funds.
Companions:		
SB 1710 Springer, Drew (F) (Identical) 3-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		
Bill History: 05-03-21 S Received in the Senate		
 HB 653	Lucio III, Eddie(D)	Relating to a trust beneficiary's approval of a trustee's accounting.
Bill History: 05-05-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence		
 HB 654	Lucio III, Eddie(D) Johnson, Nathan(D)	Relating to the rule against perpetuities.
Companions:		
HB 3744 Burrows, Dustin (Refiled from 86R Session) SB 1377 Johnson, Nathan (Identical) 3-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Jurisprudence		
Bill History: 05-10-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 19/N: 9)		
 HB 876	Craddick, Tom(R) Perry, Charles(R)	Relating to fees charged by certain persons for the method used for payments made under an agreement.
Bill History: 05-10-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar		
 HB 1129	Lopez, Ray(D)	Relating to false, misleading, or deceptive advertising made in connection with a reverse mortgage loan agreement.
Bill History: 04-29-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services		
 HB 1258	Ashby, Trent(R)	Relating to data matching with financial institutions to facilitate the collection of certain delinquent tax liabilities.

Bill History: 05-06-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

 **HB 1668** Thierry, Shawn(D) Relating to reporting requirements for bank loans made to African American-owned businesses.

Companions: **HB 2012** Reynolds, Ron (Identical)
3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
SB 86 Miles, Borris (Identical)
3- 3-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 03-09-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

 **HB 1679** Romero, Ramon(D) Relating to the survival of a mechanic's retainage lien after the foreclosure of a lien securing a construction loan.

Bill History: 05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

 **HB 1777** Oliverson, Tom(R)
Hancock, Kelly(R) Relating to disclosures and standards required for certain annuity transactions.

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 **HB 1840** Lambert, Stan(R) Relating to the continuation and functions of the Credit Union Department and the Credit Union Commission.

Companions: **SB 707** Paxton, Angela (Identical)
5-18-21 H Set on the House Calendar

Bill History: 04-07-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

 **HB 1916** Turner, Chris(D) Relating to prohibiting certain telemarketing calls by a credit access business.

Companions: **HB 447** Turner, Chris (Refiled from 86R Session)

Bill History: 04-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 **HB 1977** Parker, Tan(R) Relating to the applicability of certain limitations on the capture and use of biometric identifiers to financial institutions.

Companions:	HB 2282 Parker, Tan (Refiled from 86R Session)
Bill History:	05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

 HB 2012	Reynolds, Ron(D)	Relating to reporting requirements for bank loans made to African American-owned businesses.
Companions:	HB 1668 Thierry, Shawn (Identical) 3- 9-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services SB 86 Miles, Borris (Identical) 3- 3-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce	
Bill History:	03-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services	

 HB 2013	Reynolds, Ron(D)	Relating to provision of a verified accounting for actions involving foreclosure of a lien on residential real property or recovery on a consumer credit account.
Companions:	SB 359 Miles, Borris (Identical) 3- 9-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs	
Bill History:	03-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence	

 HB 2106	Perez, Mary Ann(D) Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to the prevention, identification, investigation, and enforcement of payment card fraud.
Companions:	SB 964 Zaffirini, Judith (Identical) 4- 7-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar	
Bill History:	05-13-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar	

 HB 2179	Moody, Joe(D)	Relating to trusts.
Companions:	SB 1933 Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 3-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs	
Bill History:	05-14-21 H Passed (Vote: Y:142/N: 0)	

 HB 2237	Burrows, Dustin(R)	Relating to mechanic's, contractor's, or materialman's liens.
		Bill History: 05-10-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 HB 2240	Smithee, John(R)	Relating to the disbursement of funds from a trust fund account by a title insurance company, title insurance agent, or escrow officer.
		Companions: SB 1958 Creighton, Brandon (Identical) 3-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
		Bill History: 05-04-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 HB 2284	Toth, Steve(R)	Relating to the physical presence of a borrower at the closing of a home equity loan.
		Bill History: 05-10-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
 HB 2432	Murr, Andrew(R)	Relating to increasing the maximum reference base amount for certain consumer loans.
		Companions: HB 4343 Flynn, Dan (Refiled from 86R Session) SB 1089 Buckingham, Dawn (Identical) 5-10-21 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for
		Bill History: 04-14-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
 HB 2533	Darby, Drew(R) Nichols, Robert(R)	Relating to performance of an evaluation of real property for use by a financial institution
		Companions: SB 996 Nichols, Robert (Identical) 3-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
		Bill History: 05-11-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 30/N: 0)
 HB 2624	Ordaz Perez, Claudia (F)(D)	Relating to a restriction on total charges charged for certain extensions of consumer credit that are facilitated by credit access businesses and entered into by consumers residing in disaster areas.
		Bill History: 04-14-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

 **HB 3271** **Ordaz Perez, Claudia (F)(D)** Relating to establishing a program to assist micro-businesses by increasing access to capital.

Companions: **SB 2123** Blanco, Cesar (F) (Identical)
3-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 04-28-21 S Received in the Senate

 **HB 3278** **Noble, Candy(R)** Relating to the release of a deed of trust or other contract lien securing a home loan after payoff by mortgagor.

Bill History: 04-16-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

 **HB 3355** **Schofield, Mike(R)** Relating to recovery by certain claimants of payment for labor or material provided for certain construction or repairs.

Bill History: 03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

 **HB 3391** **Turner, Chris(D)** Relating to fees paid to a third party in connection with certain extensions of consumer credit.

Bill History: 04-14-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

 **HB 3472** **Deshotel, Joe(D)** Relating to the investment and use of excess residential mortgage loan originator recovery fund fees.

Companions: **SB 1791** Lucio, Eddie (Identical)
3-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 05-14-21 H Passed on local calendar (Vote: Y:145/N: 0)

 **HB 3510** **Lambert, Stan(R)** Relating to authorizing the Texas Finance Commission to ensure that employees of regulated entities may work from home under certain circumstances.

Bill History: 05-10-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 HB 3529	Meyer, Morgan(R) Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to consent for the use or possession of personal identifying information under the Identity Theft Enforcement and Protection Act.
Companions:		SB 571 Zaffirini, Judith (Identical) 4-20-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce
Bill History:		05-13-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 30/N: 0)
 HB 3536	Lucio III, Eddie(D)	Relating to the use of the Texas Enterprise Fund for a small business loan guarantee program.
Bill History:		03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House International Relations/Economic Dev
 HB 3613	Leach, Jeff(R)	Relating to the exemption of certain personal property from garnishment, attachment, execution, or other seizure by creditors.
Companions:		SB 644 Zaffirini, Judith (Identical) 3-11-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Jurisprudence
Bill History:		04-27-21 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 HB 3617	Anchia, Rafael(D)	Relating to certain qualifications and requirements of licensed mortgage companies and the regulation of the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending.
Bill History:		05-03-21 S Received in the Senate
 HB 3708	Neave, Victoria(D)	Relating to the establishment of the Small Business Disaster Recovery Grant Program.
Bill History:		03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House International Relations/Economic Dev
 HB 3741	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to the personal identifying information collected, processed, or maintained by certain businesses.
Bill History:		03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry
 HB 3849	Slawson, Shelby (F)(R)	Relating to regulation of state trust companies.
Bill History:		05-04-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 HB 3850	Slawson, Shelby (F)(R)	Relating to regulation of state banks.

Bill History: 05-04-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce		
 HB 3941	Guillen, Ryan(D)	Relating to surcharges imposed for the use of a credit card.
Bill History: 05-14-21 H Passed (Vote: Y:134/N: 9)		
 HB 4116	Turner, Chris(D)	Relating to credit services organizations and extensions of consumer credit facilitated by credit services organizations.
Bill History: 04-14-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services		
 HB 4164	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to the authority of individuals over the personal identifying information collected, processed, or maintained about the individuals and certain others by certain businesses.
Bill History: 03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry		
 HB 4266	Shine, Hugh(R)	Relating to credit repair services performed by a credit services organization.
Bill History: 05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar		
 HB 4277	Thompson, Ed(R)	Relating to requirements related to refunds and credit provided under terminated debt cancellation agreements.
Companions: SB 1504 Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 3-24-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce		
Bill History: 05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar		
 HB 4309	Anchia, Rafael(D)	Relating to the regulatory authority of the savings and mortgage lending commissioner.
Companions: SB 1900 Zaffirini, Judith (Identical) 5-18-21 H Set on the Local Calendar		
Bill History: 04-16-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services		
 HB 4440	Guillen, Ryan(D)	Relating to possessory liens and the exemption of personal property therefrom.
Bill History: 04-21-21 H Committee action pending Licensing and Administrative Procedures		

 HB 4670	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to the acquisition of real property or construction of buildings for the purpose of operating the Texas Buillion Depository.
Bill History:		05-05-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
 HJR 100	Parker, Tan(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the right to own, hold and use any mutually agreed upon medium of exchange.
Bill History:		04-28-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
 HJR 104	Toth, Steve(R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for exceptions to the requirement that a home equity loan be closed only at the office of the lender, an attorney at law, or a title company.
Bill History:		05-10-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
 SB 43	Zaffirini, Judith(D) Ortega, Lina(D)	Relating to residential mortgage loans, including the financing of residential real estate purchases by means of a wrap mortgage loan.
Bill History:		05-12-21 G Sent to the Governor
 SB 86	Miles, Borris(D)	Relating to reporting requirements for bank loans made to African American-owned businesses.
Companions:		HB 1668 Thierry, Shawn (Identical) 3- 9-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services HB 2012 Reynolds, Ron (Identical) 3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
Bill History:		03-03-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 359	Miles, Borris(D)	Relating to provision of a verified accounting for actions involving foreclosure of a lien on residential real property or recovery on a consumer credit account.
Companions:		HB 2013 Reynolds, Ron (Identical)

		3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
	Bill History:	03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs
 SB 360	Miles, Borris(D)	Relating to the release of a deed of trust or other contract lien securing a home loan after direct payoff by mortgagor.
	Bill History:	03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development
 SB 362	Miles, Borris(D)	Relating to the satisfaction of a reverse mortgage loan after the death of the last surviving borrower.
	Bill History:	03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development
 SB 363	Miles, Borris(D)	Relating to prohibiting daily simple interest home loans.
	Bill History:	03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Natural Resources/Economic Development
 SB 571	Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to consent for the use or possession of personal identifying information under the Identity Theft Enforcement and Protection Act.
	Companions:	HB 3529 Meyer, Morgan (Identical) 5-13-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 30/N: 0)
	Bill History:	04-20-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce
 SB 644	Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to the exemption of certain personal property from garnishment, attachment, execution, or other seizure by creditors.
	Companions:	HB 3613 Leach, Jeff (Identical) 4-27-21 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
	Bill History:	03-11-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Jurisprudence
 SB 678	Alvarado, Carol(D) Button, Angie Chen(R)	Relating to the creation of the small business disaster recovery loan program.

Bill History: 05-13-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House International Relations/Economic Dev

 **SB 707** Paxton, Angela(R)
Lambert, Stan(R) Relating to the continuation and functions of the Credit Union Department and the Credit Union Commission.

Companions: [HB 1840](#) Lambert, Stan (Identical)
4- 7-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

Bill History: 05-18-21 H Set on the House Calendar

 **SB 964** Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the prevention, identification, investigation, and enforcement of payment card fraud.

Companions: [HB 2106](#) Perez, Mary Ann (Identical)
5-13-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Bill History: 04-07-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

 **SB 996** Nichols, Robert(R) Relating to performance of an evaluation of real property for use by a financial institution.

Companions: [HB 2533](#) Darby, Drew (Identical)
5-11-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 30/N: 0)

Bill History: 03-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 **SB 1089** Buckingham, Dawn(R) Relating to increasing the maximum reference base amount for certain consumer loans.

Companions: [HB 4343](#) Flynn, Dan (Refiled from 86R Session)
[HB 2432](#) Murr, Andrew (Identical)
4-14-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services

Bill History: 05-10-21 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

 **SB 1377** Johnson, Nathan(D) Relating to the rule against perpetuities.

Companions: [HB 3744](#) Burrows, Dustin (Refiled from 86R Session)
[HB 654](#) Lucio III, Eddie (Identical)
5-10-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 19/N: 9)

Bill History: 03-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Jurisprudence		
 SB 1504	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to requirements related to refunds and credit provided under terminated debt cancellation agreements.
Companions: HB 4277 Thompson, Ed (Identical) 5-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar		
Bill History: 03-24-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce		
 SB 1710	Springer, Drew (F)(R)	Relating to small business recovery funds and insurance tax credits for certain investments in those funds.
Companions: HB 570 Paddie, Chris (Identical) 5- 3-21 S Received in the Senate		
Bill History: 03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		
 SB 1791	Lucio, Eddie(D)	Relating to the investment and use of excess residential mortgage loan originator recovery fund fees.
Companions: HB 3472 Deshotel, Joe (Identical) 5-14-21 H Passed on local calendar (Vote: Y:145/N: 0)		
Bill History: 03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce		
 SB 1887	Seliger, Kel(R)	Relating to the repeal of certain provisions governing the establishment and administration of a state bullion depository.
Bill History: 03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance		
 SB 1900	Zaffirini, Judith(D) Anchia, Rafael(D)	Relating to the regulatory authority of the savings and mortgage lending commissioner.
Companions: HB 4309 Anchia, Rafael (Identical) 4-16-21 H Committee action pending House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services		
Bill History: 05-18-21 H Set on the Local Calendar		
 SB 1933	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to trusts.

Companions: [HB 2179](#) Moody, Joe (Identical)
5-14-21 H Passed (Vote: Y:142/N: 0)

Bill History: 03-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

 [SB 1958](#) [Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#) Relating to the disbursement of funds from a trust fund account by a title insurance company, title insurance agent, or escrow officer.

Companions: [HB 2240](#) Smithee, John (Identical)
5- 4-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Bill History: 03-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 [SB 2123](#) [Blanco, Cesar \(F\)\(D\)](#) Relating to establishing a program to assist micro-businesses by increasing access to capital.

Companions: [HB 3271](#) Ordaz Perez, Claudia (F) (Identical)
4-28-21 S Received in the Senate

Bill History: 03-31-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

 [SB 2230](#) [Schwertner, Charles\(R\)](#) Relating to the operation and administration of the Texas Bullion Depository.

Bill History: 05-14-21 S Passed (Vote: Y: 28/N: 2)

 [SJR 55](#) [Creighton, Brandon\(R\)](#) Proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the right to own, hold, and use any mutually agreed upon medium of exchange.

Bill History: 04-06-21 S Committee action pending Senate Business and Commerce

Total F - Financial Institutions Bills: 70

G - Choice of Law

Total G - Choice of Law Bills: 0

H - Business Liability

 **HB 3** **Burrows, Dustin(R)** Relating to state and local government responses to a pandemic disaster.

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate State Affairs

 **HB 19** **Leach, Jeff(R)**
Taylor, Larry(R) Relating to procedure, evidence, and remedies in civil actions.

Companions: **SB 17** Taylor, Larry (Identical)
3-11-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

Bill History: 05-14-21 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

 **HB 188** **Bernal, Diego(D)** Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

Companions: **SB 233** Whitmire, John (Identical)
3- 3-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 **HB 597** **Sherman, Carl(D)** Relating to the use by third-party delivery services of merchants' marks or other intellectual property.

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

 **HB 614** **Thompson, Senfronia(D)** Relating to a cause of action for deprivation of certain rights, privileges, or immunities under color of law.

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 **HB 820** **White, James(R)** Relating to requiring certain business entities to audit the business's supply chain and on-site services for the use of forced labor.

Bill History: 03-23-21 H Committee action pending House Business and Industry

 **HB 1358** **Vasut, Cody (F)(R)** Relating to recovery of attorney's fees in certain civil cases.

			Companions: HB 2020 Gonzalez, Jessica (Identical) 4-14-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
			Bill History: 03-05-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 HB 1418	Leach, Jeff(R)	Relating to civil liability and responsibility for the consequences of defects in the plans, specifications, or related documents for the construction or repair of an improvement to real property.	
			Companions: SB 219 Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 5-13-21 H Passed (Vote: Y:113/N: 27)
			Bill History: 05-12-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 219
 HB 1479	Cyrier, John(R)	Relating to charging exorbitant or excessive prices for certain agricultural goods during a declared disaster.	
			Bill History: 03-05-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry
 HB 1493	Herrero, Abel(D)	Relating to the use of an entity name that falsely implies governmental affiliation.	
			Companions: SB 275 Hinojosa, Chuy (Identical) 4-30-21 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
			Bill History: 05-03-21 S Received in the Senate
 HB 1548	Bell, Cecil(R)	Relating to the civil liability of certain businesses in connection with allowing concealed handguns on the business premises.	
			Bill History: 05-14-21 H Passed (Vote: Y: 94/N: 49)
 HB 1578	Landgraf, Brooks(R) Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to recovery of attorney's fees in certain civil cases.	
			Bill History: 05-14-21 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for
 HB 1595	Meyer, Morgan(R)	Relating to increasing the criminal penalties for insider trading and other misuse of official information.	
			Bill History: 03-08-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 HB 1687	Noble, Candy(R)	Relating to unlawful employment practices with respect to the COVID-19 vaccine.
Companions:		
	SB 2245	Paxton, Angela (Identical) 5- 3-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce
Bill History:		
		03-09-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House International Relations/Economic Dev
 HB 1980	Neave, Victoria(D)	Relating to the prohibition of certain required nondisclosure or confidentiality agreements.
Bill History:		
		05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar
 HB 2020	Gonzalez, Jessica(D)	Relating to recovery of attorney's fees in certain civil cases.
Companions:		
	HB 1358	Vasut, Cody (F) (Identical) 3- 5-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
Bill History:		
		04-14-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 HB 2188	Shaheen, Matt(R)	Relating to civil liability for censorship by social media companies.
Companions:		
	HB 2965	Tinderholt, Tony (Identical) 3-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
Bill History:		
		03-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
 HB 2587	Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to the censorship of users' expressions by an interactive computer service.
Companions:		
	HB 3106	Toth, Steve (Identical) 3-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
	SB 12	Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 5-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee on House State Affairs
Bill History:		
		04-08-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs

 HB 2965	Tinderholt, Tony(R)	Relating to civil liability for censorship by social media companies.
Companions:		
	HB 2188	Shaheen, Matt (Identical) 3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs
Bill History:		
		03-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 HB 3106	Toth, Steve(R)	Relating to the censorship of users'™ expressions by an interactive computer service.
Companions:		
	HB 2587	Sanford, Scott (Identical) 4- 8-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs
	SB 12	Hughes, Bryan (Identical) 5-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee on House State Affairs
Bill History:		
		03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 HB 3150	Meyer, Morgan(R)	Relating to recovery of attorney's fees in certain civil actions.
Bill History:		
		04-27-21 H Reported from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 HB 3241	Schofield, Mike(R)	Relating to compensation for damages caused by governmental actions that close or effectively close businesses.
Bill History:		
		03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

 HB 3305	Middleton, Mayes(R)	Relating to requiring the disclosure of the place of origin for products sold online.
Bill History:		
		03-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Business and Industry

 HB 3595	Leach, Jeff(R)	Relating to residential construction liability.
Bill History:		
		04-06-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 HB 3659	Leach, Jeff(R)	Relating to liability for certain claims arising during a pandemic or other disaster or emergency.
Companions:		
	SB 6	Hancock, Kelly (Identical)

		4-28-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
	Bill History:	04-14-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 HB 3852	Raney, John(R)	Relating to requiring the disclosure of information by certain third-party sellers of consumer goods sold through an online marketplace.
	Bill History:	05-10-21 H Reported from committee as substituted House Business and Industry
 HB 4232	Raymond, Richard(D)	Relating to the establishment of the COVID-19 Consumer and Investor Fraud Task Force.
	Bill History:	03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Pensions/Investments/Financial Services
 HB 4267	Oliverson, Tom(R)	Relating to the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act of 1983.
	Companions:	SB 1247 Creighton, Brandon (Identical) 5-13-21 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for
	Bill History:	05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar
 SB 6	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to liability for certain claims arising during a pandemic or other disaster or emergency.
	Companions:	HB 3659 Leach, Jeff (Identical) 4-14-21 H Committee action pending House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
	Bill History:	04-28-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
 SB 12	Hughes, Bryan(R)	Relating to the censorship of users' expressions by an interactive computer service.
	Companions:	HB 2587 Sanford, Scott (Identical) 4- 8-21 H Committee action pending House State Affairs HB 3106 Toth, Steve (Identical) 3-19-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

Bill History: 05-14-21 H Voted favorably from committee on House State Affairs

 **SB 17** Taylor, Larry(R) Relating to procedure, evidence, and remedies in civil actions.

Companions: **HB 19** Leach, Jeff (Identical)
5-14-21 S First placement on Senate Intent Calendar for

Bill History: 03-11-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation

 **SB 209** Eckhardt, Sarah (F)(D) Relating to the prohibition of certain required nondisclosure and arbitration agreements.

Companions: **SB 159** Rodriguez, Jose (Refiled from 86R Session)

Bill History: 03-03-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

 **SB 219** Hughes, Bryan(R)
Leach, Jeff(R) Relating to civil liability and responsibility for the consequences of defects in the plans, specifications, or related documents for the construction or repair of an improvement to real property.

Companions: **HB 1418** Leach, Jeff (Identical)
5-12-21 H Laid on the table - subject to call - see SB 219

Bill History: 05-13-21 H Passed (Vote: Y:113/N: 27)

 **SB 233** Whitmire, John(D) Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

Companions: **HB 188** Bernal, Diego (Identical)
2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House State Affairs

Bill History: 03-03-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

 **SB 275** Hinojosa, Chuy(D) Relating to the use of an entity name that falsely implies governmental affiliation.

Companions: **HB 1493** Herrero, Abel (Identical)
5- 3-21 S Received in the Senate

Bill History: 04-30-21 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 **SB 1247** Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act of 1983.

Companions: [HB 4267](#) Oliverson, Tom (Identical)
5-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

Bill History: 05-13-21 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for

 **SB 2245** Paxton, Angela(R) Relating to unlawful employment practices with respect to the COVID-19 vaccine.

Companions: [HB 1687](#) Noble, Candy (Identical)
3- 9-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House International Relations/Economic Dev

Bill History: 05-03-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Business and Commerce

Total H - Business Liability Bills: 37

I- Real Estate/Related Topics

 **HB 485** Wu, Gene(D) Relating to the removal of certain unconstitutional provisions from real property records.

Companions: [SB 214](#) Whitmire, John (Identical)
3- 3-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs

Bill History: 02-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence

 **HB 628** Rosenthal, Jon(D) Relating to prohibiting an increase in the rent of a tenant residing in a development supported with a low income housing tax credit allocation.

Companions: [HB 3546](#) Rosenthal, Jon (F) (Refiled from 86R Session)
[SB 308](#) Eckhardt, Sarah (F) (Identical)
3- 9-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Local Government

Bill History: 05-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

 HB 1562	Holland, Justin(R)	Relating to required notice concerning special districts in certain Texas Real Estate Commission contract forms.
Bill History:		04-07-21 H Committee action pending Licensing and Administrative Procedures
 HB 1939	Smith, Reggie(R) Creighton, Brandon(R)	Relating to the limitations periods for certain suits against real estate appraisers and appraisal firms.
Bill History:		05-13-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar
 HB 2998	Smith, Reggie(R)	Relating to the requirement that certain business entities obtain a license from the Texas Real Estate Commission.
Bill History:		05-13-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Business and Commerce
 HB 3415	Goldman, Craig(R)	Relating to the authority of certain counties to require photo identification to file certain documents with the county clerk.
Bill History:		05-10-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Local Government
 SB 214	Whitmire, John(D)	Relating to the removal of certain unconstitutional provisions from real property records.
Companions:		 HB 485 Wu, Gene (Identical) 2-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence
Bill History:		03-03-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Affairs
 SB 291	Schwertner, Charles(R) Bucy, John(D)	Relating to the posting of certain project information at a commercial building construction site.
Bill History:		05-07-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Business and Industry
 SB 308	Eckhardt, Sarah (F)(D)	Relating to prohibiting an increase in the rent of a tenant residing in a development supported with a low income housing tax credit allocation.
Companions:		 HB 3546 Rosenthal, Jon (F) (Refiled from 86R Session)  HB 628 Rosenthal, Jon (Identical)

5-13-21 H Set on the House Calendar

Bill History: 03-09-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Local Government

 **SB 1368** Creighton, Brandon(R) Relating to the limitations periods for certain suits against real estate appraisers and appraisal firms.

Companions:

HB 1116	Wray, John	(Refiled from 86R Session)
SB 939	Creighton, Brandon	(Refiled from 86R Session)

Bill History: 03-31-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar

Total I- Real Estate/Related Topics Bills: 10

J - Taxation/Related Topics

 **HB 1** Bonnen, Greg(R) General Appropriations Bill.

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Appropriations

 **HB 299** Vasut, Cody (F)(R) Relating to a limitation on increases in the appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.

Bill History: 02-25-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 **HB 798** Larson, Lyle(R) Relating to the authority of an appraisal district to increase the appraised value of property for ad valorem tax purposes in the next tax year in which the property is appraised.

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 **HB 864** Hinojosa, Gina(D) Relating to a franchise tax credit pilot program for taxable entities that contribute to an employee dependent care flexible spending account.

Bill History: 03-01-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 HB 1053	Bell, Cecil(R)	Relating to a limitation on increases in the appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.
Companions:		
HB 878	Bell, Cecil	(Refiled from 86R Session)
SB 1086	Seliger, Kel	(Refiled from 86R Session)
Bill History:		
03-04-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		
 HB 1195	Geren, Charlie(R) Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to the forgiveness of a loan made under the Paycheck Protection Program for franchise tax purposes.
Companions:		
SB 372	Hancock, Kelly	(Identical) 4- 7-21 S Committee action pending Senate Finance
Bill History:		
05-08-21 G Signed by the Governor		
 HB 1335	Dutton, Harold(D)	Relating to a periodic review and expiration dates of state and local tax preferences.
Companions:		
HB 3298	Dutton, Harold	(Refiled from 86R Session)
Bill History:		
03-05-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		
 HB 1395	Middleton, Mayes(R)	Relating to ad valorem taxation.
Bill History:		
03-05-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		
 HB 1445	Oliverson, Tom(R) Nichols, Robert(R)	Relating to the applicability of the sales and use tax to certain insurance services.
Bill History:		
04-30-21 G Signed by the Governor		
 HB 1567	Middleton, Mayes(R)	Relating to the system for appraising property for ad valorem tax purposes.
Companions:		
SB 1840	Eckhardt, Sarah (F)	(Identical) 3-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
Bill History:		
03-08-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means		

 **HB 1696** **Raney, John(R)** Relating to the comptroller's authority to except remote sellers and marketplace providers from sales and use tax requirements based on revenue, sales, or transactions.

Bill History: 05-03-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means

 **HB 1751** **Parker, Tan(R)** Relating to a franchise tax credit for enterprise projects for certain capital investments.

Companions: **HB 983** Parker, Tan (Refiled from 86R Session)

Bill History: 03-10-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 **HB 2100** **Meyer, Morgan(R)** Relating to the system for appraising property for ad valorem tax purposes.

Companions: **HB 3509** Meyer, Morgan (Identical)
3-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
SB 63 Nelson, Jane (Identical)
5-10-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House Ways and Means

Bill History: 03-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 **HB 2398** **Meyer, Morgan(R)** Relating to the administration and collection of sales and use taxes and certain fees applicable to sales involving marketplace providers.

Companions: **SB 477** Nelson, Jane (Identical)
4-14-21 H Referred to House Committee on House Ways and Means

Bill History: 05-04-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance

 **HB 2410** **Dean, Jay(R)** Relating to the location at which certain Internet sales are consummated for purposes of local sales taxes.

Companions: **SB 1332** Hinojosa, Chuy (Identical)
3-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance

Bill History: 03-16-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 HB 2530	Ashby, Trent(R) Nelson, Jane(R)	Relating to the rate of interest on certain tax refunds.
Bill History:		05-11-21 S Recommended for Local/Uncontested Calendar
 HB 2623	Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to suits for tax refunds.
Companions:		SB 903 Perry, Charles (Identical) 5- 3-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
Bill History:		04-12-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means
 HB 2704	Morrison, Geanie(R)	Relating to the treatment of certain limited liability companies as passive entities for purposes of the franchise tax.
Bill History:		03-17-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
 HB 3000	Cason, Jeff (F)(R)	Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.
Bill History:		03-18-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
 HB 3060	Button, Angie Chen(R)	Relating to disclosure by the comptroller to the purchaser of a business of the amount of tax due.
Companions:		SB 873 Hancock, Kelly (Identical) 4-22-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
Bill History:		03-29-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means
 HB 3236	Capriglione, Giovanni(R)	Relating to the temporary exemption of certain tangible personal property related to certain colocation data centers from sales and use taxes.
Bill History:		05-03-21 H Not heard in committee House Ways and Means
 HB 3380	Leman, Ben(R)	Relating to the franchise tax credit for certain research and development activities.
Bill History:		03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
 HB 3404	Guillen, Ryan(D)	Relating to the repeal of the franchise tax.
Bill History:		03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means

 HB 3509	Meyer, Morgan(R)	Relating to the system for appraising property for ad valorem tax purposes.
Companions:		
HB 2100	Meyer, Morgan	(Identical)
	3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means	
SB 63	Nelson, Jane	(Identical)
	5-10-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House Ways and Means	
Bill History:		
	03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means	

 HB 3573	Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to the exclusion of certain payment processing services from the definition of "data processing service" for purposes of sales and use taxes.
Companions:		
SB 153	Perry, Charles	(Identical)
	5-17-21 H Set on the House Calendar	
Bill History:		
	03-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means	

 HB 4467	Martinez Fischer, Trey(D)	Relating to imposing a tax on certain revenue derived from digital advertising services.
Bill History:		
	03-29-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means	

 HJR 74	Dutton, Harold(D)	Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the periodic review of state and local tax preferences and the expiration of certain tax preferences if not reauthorized by law.
Bill History:		
	03-11-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means	

 SB 1	Nelson, Jane(R) Bonnen, Greg(R)	General Appropriations Bill.
Bill History:		
	04-29-21 H Conference committee set for 9:00 A.M., E1.036	

 SB 63	Nelson, Jane(R)	Relating to the system for appraising property for ad valorem tax purposes.
Companions:		
HB 2100	Meyer, Morgan	(Identical)
	3-15-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means	
HB 3509	Meyer, Morgan	(Identical)

		3-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
	Bill History:	05-10-21 H Voted favorably from committee as substituted House Ways and Means
 SB 153	Perry, Charles(R) Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to the exclusion of certain payment processing services from the definition of "data processing service" for purposes of sales and use taxes.
	Companions:	HB 3573 Sanford, Scott (Identical) 3-22-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
	Bill History:	05-17-21 H Set on the House Calendar
 SB 372	Hancock, Kelly(R)	Relating to the forgiveness of a loan made under the Paycheck Protection Program for franchise tax purposes.
	Companions:	HB 1195 Geren, Charlie (Identical) 5- 8-21 G Signed by the Governor
	Bill History:	04-07-21 S Committee action pending Senate Finance
 SB 477	Nelson, Jane(R)	Relating to the administration and collection of sales and use taxes and certain fees applicable to sales involving marketplace providers.
	Companions:	HB 2398 Meyer, Morgan (Identical) 5- 4-21 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Finance
	Bill History:	04-14-21 H Referred to House Committee on House Ways and Means
 SB 873	Hancock, Kelly(R) Button, Angie Chen(R)	Relating to disclosure by the comptroller to the purchaser of a business of the amount of tax due.
	Companions:	HB 3060 Button, Angie Chen (Identical) 3-29-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means
	Bill History:	04-22-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
 SB 902	Perry, Charles(R)	Relating to the period during which a purchaser's successor liability for taxes owed by the seller of a business may be enforced.
	Bill History:	03-30-21 S Committee action pending Senate Finance

 SB 903	Perry, Charles(R) Sanford, Scott(R)	Relating to suits for tax refunds.
Companions:		HB 2623 Sanford, Scott (Identical) 4-12-21 H Committee action pending House Ways and Means
Bill History:		05-03-21 H Reported favorably from committee on House Ways and Means
 SB 931	Creighton, Brandon(R)	Relating to a franchise tax credit for entities that employ certain students in certain paid internship or similar programs.
Companions:		SB 570 Creighton, Brandon (Refiled from 86R Session)
Bill History:		04-07-21 S Committee action pending Senate Finance
 SB 1332	Hinojosa, Chuy(D)	Relating to the location at which certain Internet sales are consummated for purposes of local sales taxes.
Companions:		HB 2410 Dean, Jay (Identical) 3-16-21 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Ways and Means
Bill History:		03-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
 SB 1422	Bettencourt, Paul(R)	Relating to the number of days that certain tangible personal property that is exempt from ad valorem taxation due to its location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state.
Companions:		SB 1005 Bettencourt, Paul (Refiled from 86R Session)
Bill History:		03-18-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
 SB 1711	Springer, Drew (F)(R)	Relating to state and local taxes and fees.
Bill History:		03-26-21 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
 SB 1840	Eckhardt, Sarah (F)(D)	Relating to the system for appraising property for ad valorem tax purposes.

