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## PROCEEDINGS

SECOND DAY — WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023

The house met at 2:25 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 2).

Present — Mr. Speaker(C); Allen; Allison; Anchía; Anderson; Ashby; Bailes; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Burns; Burrows; Button; Cain; Campos; Canales; Capriglione; Clardy; Cole; Collier; Cook; Cortez; Craddick; Cunningham; Darby; Davis; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Flores; Frank; Frazier; Gámez; Garcia; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; Goldman; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Guillen; Harless; Harris, C.E.; Harris, C.J.; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hernandez; Herrero; Hinojosa; Holland; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Jetton, F.; Johnson, A.; Johnson, J.D.; Johnson, J.E.; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Kacal; King, K.; King, T.; Kitzman; Klick; Kuempel; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo-Wilson; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Lozano; Lujan; Manuel; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Metcalf; Meyer; Moody; Morales, C.; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Morrison; Muñoz; Murr; Neave Criado; Noble; Oliverson; Ordaz; Orr; Ortega; Patterson; Paul; Perez; Plesa; Price; Ramos; Raney; Raymond; Reynolds; Rogers; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Schatzline; Schofield; Shaheen; Shine; Slawson; Smith; Spiller; Stucky; Swanson; Talarico; Tepper; Thierry; Thimesch; Thompson, E.; Thompson, S.; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; Turner; VanDeaver; Vasut; Vo; Walle; Wilson; Wu; Zwiener.

Absent, Excused — Meza; Schaefer; Smithee.

Absent — Sherman.

The invocation was offered by Representative Metcalf as follows:

Dear heavenly Father, I want to thank you for this day. Thank you for this opportunity that we get to represent our constituents for the great State of Texas. We pray for those Texans who may be struggling or hurting today. We ask that you be with our family in our prayers. We ask for peace, grace, and mercy. Amen.

The chair recognized Representative Hefner who led the house in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

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

Meza on motion of Howard.

Schaefer on motion of Toth.

Smithee on motion of Price.

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

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

**COMMITTEES GRANTED PERMISSION TO MEET**

Representative Burrows moved that the house grant permission for all committees and subcommittees to meet while the house is in session, through and including Friday, July 7, pursuant to their committee postings.

Permission to meet was granted.

**HCR 4 - ADOPTED  
(by K. King)**

Representative K. King moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HCR 4**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HCR 4**, In memory of Tamoria R. Jones and authorizing her burial in the State Cemetery.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED**

At the request of Representative K. King, the house observed a moment of silence in honor of Tamoria R. Jones.

**HCR 4** was adopted by (Record 3): 145 Yeas, 0 Nays, 0 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Mr. Speaker(C); Allen; Allison; Anchia; Anderson; Ashby; Bailes; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Burns; Burrows; Button; Cain; Campos; Canales; Capriglione; Clardy; Cole; Collier; Cook; Cortez; Craddick; Cunningham; Darby; Davis; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Flores; Frank; Frazier; Gámez; Garcia; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; Goldman; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Guillen; Harless; Harris, C.E.; Harris, C.J.; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hernandez; Herrero; Hinojosa; Holland; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Jetton, F.; Johnson, A.; Johnson, J.D.; Johnson, J.E.; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Kacal; King, K.; King, T.; Kitzman; Klick; Kuempel; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo-Wilson; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Lozano; Lujan; Manuel; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Metcalf; Meyer; Moody; Morales, C.; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Morrison; Muñoz; Murr; Neave Criado; Noble; Oliverson; Ordaz; Orr; Ortega; Patterson; Paul; Perez; Plesa; Price; Ramos; Raney; Raymond; Reynolds; Rogers; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Schatzline; Schofield; Shaheen; Shine;

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Absent, Excused — Meza; Schaefer; Smithee.

Absent — Sherman.

#### **HCR 4 - NAMES ADDED**

On motion of Representative Rose, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HCR 4** as signers thereof.

#### **PROVIDING FOR ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:39 p.m., Representative K. King moved that, at the conclusion of the reading of bills and resolutions on first reading and referral to committees and the receipt of messages, the house adjourn until 9 a.m. Friday, July 7 in memory of Tamoria R. Jones of Houston.

The motion prevailed.

#### **Friday, July 7**

(Meyer in the chair)

The chair called the house to order at 8:48 a.m. Friday, July 7.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

In accordance with a previous motion, the house, at 8:48 a.m. Friday, July 7, adjourned until 9 a.m. today.

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#### **ADDENDUM**

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#### **REFERRED TO COMMITTEES**

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

##### **List No. 1**

**HB 16** (By Cain and Vasut), Relating to reducing school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes through the use of certain surplus state revenue.

To Ways and Means.

**HB 18** (By Toth), Relating to reducing school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes through the use of certain surplus state revenue.

To Ways and Means.

**HB 19** (By Oliverson), Relating to the allocation and deposit of certain surplus state revenue to the property tax relief fund for use in reducing school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes.

To Ways and Means.

**HB 42** (By Troxclair), Relating to reducing school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes through the use of certain surplus state revenue.

To Ways and Means.

**HB 61** (By C. Bell), Relating to the allocation and deposit of certain surplus state revenue to the property tax relief fund for use in reducing school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes.

To Ways and Means.

**HJR 6** (By Wilson), Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes after the 2038 tax year.

To Ways and Means.

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## APPENDIX

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### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees as follows:

**June 29**

Ways and Means - **HB 1, HJR 1**