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PROCEEDINGS

FIFTH DAY — WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025

The house met at 5:26 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 27).

Present — Mr. Speaker(C); Alders; Allen; Anchía; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Canales; Capriglione; Cole; Collier; Cook; Cortez; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Davis, Y.; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Gámez; Garcia, L.; Garcia Hernandez; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Guillen; Harless; Harris Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hernandez; Hickland; Hinojosa; Holt; Hopper; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Johnson; Jones, V.; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; Manuel; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Meza; Money; Moody; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Ordaz; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Plesa; Raymond; Reynolds; Richardson; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Talarico; Tepper; Thompson; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; Turner; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Walle; Wharton; Wilson; Wu; Zwiener.

Absent — Campos; Davis, A.; Garcia, J.; Jones, J.; Morales, C.; Rodríguez Ramos; Simmons; Vo; Ward Johnson.

COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The following committee meeting was announced:

Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select, upon final recess or during bill referral, if permission is granted, today, 1W.14, for a formal meeting, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

MOTION IN WRITING CHIEF CLERK INSTRUCTED

Representative Hunter offered the following motion in writing:

Mr. Speaker:

I move to direct the chief clerk, when engrossing **HB 4**, to incorporate into Article II of the bill the text of the census geography for each district that describes the plan as finally passed by the house.

Hunter

The motion in writing was read and prevailed by (Record 28): 89 Yeas, 49 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Allen; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Frank; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Lopez, J.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Money; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Phelan; Pierson; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Tepper; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Wharton; Wilson.

Nays — Anchía; Bernal; Bhojani; Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Canales; Cole; Collier; Cortez; Davis, Y.; Flores; Gámez; Garcia, L.; Garcia Hernandez; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Jones, V.; Lalani; Longoria; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Meza; Moody; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Muñoz; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Plesa; Raymond; Reynolds; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Talarico; Thompson; Turner; Walle; Wu; Zwiener.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent — Campos; Davis, A.; Garcia, J.; Hayes; Jones, J.; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Rodríguez Ramos; Simmons; Vo; Ward Johnson.

STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 28 was taken, I was shown voting yes. I intended to vote no.

Allen

When Record No. 28 was taken, I was shown voting yes. I intended to vote no.

Gervin-Hawkins

MAJOR STATE CALENDAR HOUSE BILLS THIRD READING

The following bills were laid before the house and read third time:

HB 4 ON THIRD READING

(by Hunter, Vasut, Pierson, Spiller, Guillen, et al.)

HB 4, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the composition of the districts for the election of members of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Texas.

(Landgraf in the chair)

Pursuant to Rule 5, Section 28, of the House Rules, Representative Zwiener requested an extension of speaking time on **HB 4**.

The request was not granted by (Record 29): 52 Yeas, 84 Nays, 2 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Allen; Anchía; Bernal; Bhojani; Bowers; Bucy; Canales; Cole; Collier; Cortez; Davis, Y.; Dutton; Flores; Gámez; Garcia, L.; Garcia Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Jones, V.; Lalani; Longoria; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Meza; Moody; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Muñoz; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Plesa; Raymond; Reynolds; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Talarico; Thompson; Turner; Walle; Wu; Zwiener.

Nays — Alders; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dyson; Frank; Gates; Gerdes; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lambert; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Lopez, J.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Money; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Phelan; Pierson; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Tepper; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Wharton; Wilson.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker; Landgraf(C).

Absent — Bryant; Campos; Davis, A.; Fairly; Garcia, J.; Geren; Jones, J.; Morales, C.; Rodríguez Ramos; Simmons; Vo; Ward Johnson.

(Speaker in the chair)

HB 4 was passed by (Record 30): 88 Yeas, 52 Nays, 0 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Mr. Speaker(C); Alders; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dyson; Fairly; Frank; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Lopez, J.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Money; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Phelan; Pierson;

Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Tepper; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Wharton; Wilson.

Nays — Allen; Anchía; Bernal; Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Canales; Cole; Collier; Cortez; Davis, Y.; Dutton; Flores; Gámez; Garcia, L.; Garcia Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guerra; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Jones, V.; Lalani; Longoria; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Meza; Moody; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Muñoz; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Plesa; Raymond; Reynolds; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Talarico; Thompson; Turner; Walle; Wu; Zwiener.

Absent — Bhojani; Campos; Davis, A.; Garcia, J.; Jones, J.; Morales, C.; Rodríguez Ramos; Simmons; Vo; Ward Johnson.

STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 30 was taken, my vote failed to register. I would have voted no.

Bhojani

When Record No. 30 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted no.

C. Morales

When Record No. 30 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted no.

Rodríguez Ramos

REASONS FOR VOTE

Representative J. Jones submitted the following reason for vote to be printed in the journal:

My House District 147, whose residents are also constituents of Texas 18, Texas 9, and Texas 29, is directly targeted by this plan. Plan C2333 cracks and packs Black and brown districts in a way that erases my constituents' ability to elect Black representation and dilutes Black and brown representation. This is a violation of the 14th Amendment's Equal Protection Clause and the Voting Rights Act, making it unconstitutional. My constituents have demanded that I not be present to give republican members the quorum they need in order to dismantle these rights. I am standing with them, and I will not be complicit in this injustice.

Notwithstanding my refusal to be in Austin to be complicit in this racism, my district office continues, and has always remained open, to address any needs of the constituents of House District 147. Let no one say that I abandoned my office or vacated my responsibilities. I have instead ensured that I kept myself safe, since the House has set law enforcement upon us, issued subpoenas, and authorized arrest warrants. Given the history of this country with racism, I—and my constituents—am deeply concerned for my personal safety, physical safety, and mental health.

Representative C. Morales submitted the following reason for vote to be printed in the journal:

When the record vote on **HB 4** was cast, I was away from my desk in protest of this redistricting scheme and the harm the proposed map would impose. But I remained on the frontlines of the fight my constituents demanded their state representative to be engaged in. I could not let my constituents' voices fall on deaf ears. Concerned mothers from Second Ward and young students from Northline ask me the same question: What will you do to stop Trump's power grab? This fight is my answer to that question. We will all be asked for years to come what we did when the nation hinged on a fight in the Texas House? This is my stand for my district, my state, and my country.

This fight is painfully familiar. I've watched, waited, and fought for my neighbors to get fair representation, much less congressional representation that looks like us and shares our values. The fact is that each and every election from now on will be determined in advance. Because when our neighborhoods are cut apart, when our voices are diluted, it takes even more of us to simply have a chance at fair representation. That is by design, and it is devastating to see it happening in Texas.

What hurts the most is seeing our historic communities—Lindale Park, Magnolia Park, Near Northside, Park Place, the East End, and so many more—treated like pawns on a map. These are neighborhoods where families have lived and worked for generations. Places where culture, history, and resilience run deep. And yet, they are being sliced apart for political gain.

This isn't just about partisanship. It's about working families who depend on good schools, about our elders who rely on Medicaid and Medicare, about Latinos and immigrants who optimize the American Dream. It's about democracy being erased to empower the few and the rich who are willing to bow to a false king.

Republicans may have the numbers to pass these maps, but that doesn't make them just. It doesn't make them right. And it doesn't erase the truth: that Texans deserve maps that reflect who we are and honor the communities that built this state. The disappointment is heavy. The pain is real. And I know I am not alone in feeling it.

Representative Rodríguez Ramos submitted the following reason for vote to be printed in the journal:

When the record vote for **HB 4** was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of this redistricting scheme and the harm the proposed map would impose. I could not, in good conscience, participate in or legitimize district maps designed to systematically deprive my constituents of the ability to choose their representation in Congress. The Republican-approved map rips my district away from neighboring communities in Dallas County. The map forces those constituents into a district spanning five counties, two and a half hours away by car, with which they share virtually nothing in common.

HB 4 was the very first bill brought to the floor this special session. At a time when families in the Hill Country are mourning loved ones and trying to rebuild after devastating floods, our Republican colleagues choose to prioritize consolidating power over ensuring that disaster victims receive relief. Representative Hunter even admitted openly on the house floor that this was about instituting a "Republican performance increase"—an increase that I believe is accomplished through a racial gerrymander that dilutes the ability of Black and brown Texans to elect someone who represents them. Racial gerrymandering is illegal under the Voting Rights Act.

These maps do nothing to improve the quality of life for families across Texas. Our constituents elected us to fight against the skyrocketing prices, cuts to health care, stagnant wages, and a worsening affordability crisis. My colleagues and I broke quorum to stand up for families like mine who are fighting every day for a better life for their children and grandkids. Texas Republicans, however, are doing the opposite. By gerrymandering our congressional seats, my colleagues across the aisle silence the very communities we were elected to serve.

Worse, the world has watched as Governor Abbott and republican officials turned the Texas Capitol into a prison and the staging ground for an authoritarian agenda. Police escorts trailed our colleagues, and people have been threatened with jail time for daring to exercise their constitutional right to protest. These intimidation tactics are from the same Jim Crow playbook our ancestors and civil rights leaders faced in the fight for the right to vote. We will not back down.

I stayed away in protest because I will never legitimize an attack on democracy this blatant. These maps are racist, illegal, and a betrayal of the values enshrined in the Voting Rights Act. I could not, and would not, cast a vote that would give them any legitimacy.

Representative Ward Johnson submitted the following reason for vote to be printed in the journal:

When the redistricting map was proposed, I heard directly from the people of Houston, including the constituents of House District 139. Their message was clear: They overwhelmingly oppose the redistricting maps that would dilute their voting power.

Under this proposed map, the residents of HD 139 would be moved out of the historic Congressional District 18—a district that has long represented the voices of Black, brown, and other minority communities. This shift is not just a line on a map; it is an attempt to strip these communities of the power to choose a representative who reflects their values, concerns, and lived experiences.

HB 4 is a step backward for representation in Texas. It will reduce the number of minority congressional districts, despite the growing diversity of our state. In fact, under this map, we stand to lose at least five minority-majority congressional districts. This is why I joined my fellow democratic colleagues in breaking quorum—to fight back against racial gerrymandering and bring national attention to these unjust maps. These proposed changes are in direct violation of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, a law that was designed to protect the voting power of all Americans, especially those in historically marginalized communities.

Texas deserves a redistricting process that reflects the diversity of its population—not one that silences it. Our quorum break was not just an act of protest; it was the beginning of a national fight to ensure that every Texan has the right to vote for representation that truly reflects their democratic values. I choose not to be on the floor to participate in the unjust **HB 4** bill and the racial maps that it proposes. I will continue to fight for my constituents with every tool that the Constitution allows.

CALL OF THE HOUSE EXPIRED

Speaker Burrows announced that the call of the house had expired and instructed the doorkeeper to unlock the doors.

PROVIDING FOR RECESS

At 6:18 p.m., Representative Geren moved that, at the conclusion of the reading of bills and resolutions on first reading and referral to committees, the receipt of messages, and administrative actions, the house recess until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed.

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 Nos. 1 and 2.)

(Metcalf in the chair)

RECESS

In accordance with a previous motion, the house, at 6:32 p.m., recessed until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

ADDENDUM

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 38 (By Schofield), Relating to the rate at which interest accrues in connection with the deferral or abatement of the collection of ad valorem taxes on certain residence homesteads.

HB 41 (By Schofield), Relating to the establishment of a limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that certain taxing units may impose on the residence homesteads of individuals who are disabled or elderly and their surviving spouses.

To Ways and Means.

HB 46 (By Tepper), Relating to a limit on political subdivision expenditures.

To Intergovernmental Affairs.

HB 47 (By Tepper and Lambert), Relating to the authority of a property owner to obtain an injunction restraining the collection of ad valorem taxes by a taxing unit if the taxing unit adopts a tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate and subsequently takes an action that constitutes a material deviation from the stated purpose of the tax increase.

To Ways and Means.

HB 49 (By Tepper), Relating to restrictions on the use of certain ad valorem tax revenue for the payment of public securities.

To Ways and Means.

HB 62 (By Gervin-Hawkins), Relating to the operability of first responder and public safety communication services used in responding to natural disasters or other emergencies on the Capitol grounds.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 64 (By Cain, Gerdes, Cook, Harris, and Ashby), Relating to a vacancy in the office of senator or representative due to excessive absence.

To State Affairs.

HB 77 (By Cain), Relating to the repeal of or limitations on certain state and local taxes, including school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes, the enactment of state and local value added taxes, and related school finance reform; imposing taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 83 (By Slawson), Relating to the repeal of the additional ad valorem taxes imposed as a result of a change of use of certain land.

To Ways and Means.

HB 84 (By Tepper), Relating to the limitations on increases in the appraised value of certain property for ad valorem tax purposes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 85 (By Gerdes), Relating to the vote required in an election to approve an ad valorem tax rate that exceeds a taxing unit's voter-approval tax rate; making conforming changes.

HB 92 (By Toth), Relating to the repeal of or limitations on certain state and local taxes, including school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes, the enactment of state and local value added taxes, and related school finance reform; imposing taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 98 (By Kerwin), Relating to the repeal of or limitations on certain state and local taxes, including school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes, the enactment of state and local value added taxes, and related school finance reform; imposing taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 99 (By Dean), Relating to the repeal of or limitations on certain state and local taxes, including school district maintenance and operations ad valorem taxes, the enactment of state and local value added taxes, related school finance reform, and directing the comptroller to identify alternatives to local ad valorem taxes; imposing taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 100 (By Dean), Relating to the use of certain federal funds received by the state to provide property tax refunds to Texas homestead owners.

To Ways and Means.

HB 101 (By Dean), Relating to requiring voter approval for certain local tax rate increases adopted pursuant to a disaster declaration.

To Ways and Means.

HB 108 (By Zwiener), Relating to the authority of a county to establish drainage utilities, impose drainage fees, and regulate land use for the purpose of flood management.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 117 (By Zwiener), Relating to the authority of a county to regulate impervious cover in the unincorporated area of the county.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 119 (By Lalani), Relating to emergency preparedness and contingency operations plans, inspections, and enforcement for senior retirement communities.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 122 (By Landgraf, K. Bell, and Metcalf), Relating to eliminating certain state-required assessment instruments and certain end-of-course assessment instruments not required by federal law.

To Public Education.

HB 125 (By Zwiener), Relating to the regulation of stormwater management by certain counties.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 139 (By Isaac), Relating to the calculation of certain ad valorem tax rates of a taxing unit and the manner in which a proposed ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate is approved; making conforming changes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 144 (By Money), Relating to the protection of an unborn childs rights and criminal liability and justification for prohibited conduct.

To State Affairs.

HB 159 (By Shaheen), Relating to the use of interim testing and adaptive, growth-based assessment instruments for certain required assessments of public school students and prohibiting the use of the results of certain required assessments of public school students for certain purposes.

To Public Education.

HB 165 (By Metcalf), Relating to the management and removal of vegetation and debris by certain electric utilities.

To State Affairs.

HB 174 (By Hickland), Relating to the prohibition of lobbyist representation of both political subdivisions and private entities.

To State Affairs.

HB 176 (By Hickland), Relating to the repeal of provisions providing for the calculation of an unused increment rate and the use of that rate in calculating certain other ad valorem tax rates.

To Ways and Means.

HB 177 (By Hickland), Relating to the calculation of certain ad valorem tax rates of a taxing unit and the manner in which a proposed ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate is approved; making conforming changes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 178 (By Hickland), Relating to efficiency audits for certain political subdivisions.

To Ways and Means.

HB 181 (By Gerdes), Relating to a limit on municipal and county expenditures.

To Intergovernmental Affairs.

HB 182 (By Flores), Relating to participation by flood prone counties in the National Weather Service StormReady program.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 183 (By C. Bell), Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the total appraised value of the residence homesteads of certain elderly individuals and their surviving spouses.

To Ways and Means.

HB 184 (By C. Bell), Relating to a limitation on increases in the appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.

HB 185 (By Money), Relating to the use by a political subdivision of public funds for lobbying activities.

To State Affairs.

HB 186 (By Olcott), Relating to the use by a political subdivision of public funds for lobbying activities.

To State Affairs.

HB 187 (By Olcott), Relating to the authority of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to issue an emergency or temporary order requested by a county judge following a weather emergency.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 188 (By Morales Shaw), Relating to the creation of the Texas Rural Emergency Preparedness Fund for flood-prone communities.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 189 (By Morales Shaw), Relating to requiring certain governmental entities to allow interested persons to comment on the proposed adoption or revision of certain emergency management plans.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 190 (By Morales Shaw), Relating to state and local government disaster preparedness.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 191 (By Virdell), Relating to a preference in state purchasing for certain goods and services used in a disaster area.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 194 (By Curry), Relating to flood safety signage in certain areas in flood-prone municipalities and counties.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 195 (By Curry), Relating to designating certain substances as Schedule IV controlled substances under the Texas Controlled Substances Act.

To State Affairs.

HB 197 (By Curry), Relating to a study on establishing testing and scientific standards for determining tetrahydrocannabinol intoxication.

To Public Health.

HB 200 (By Little), Relating to the maintenance of emergency communication devices for certain facilities serving vulnerable populations.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 201 (By LaHood), Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the appraised value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of such a veteran based on the disability rating of the veteran.

HB 202 (By LaHood), Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the appraised value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of such a veteran based on the disability rating of the veteran.

To Ways and Means.

HB 203 (By LaHood), Relating to a limit on political subdivision expenditures and the adoption of ad valorem tax rates.

To Ways and Means.

HB 204 (By Paul), Relating to the governance and territory of the Harris County Flood Control District.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 205 (By Wilson), Relating to authorizing certain projects to be undertaken in response to a disaster by certain economic development corporations.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 210 (By Lozano), Relating to the definition of "residence homestead" for purposes of the exemption from ad valorem taxation of the residence homestead of a totally disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of such a veteran.

To Ways and Means.

HB 211 (By Money), Relating to the calculation of the voter-approval tax rate of certain taxing units and the manner in which a proposed ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate is approved by the voters.

To Ways and Means.

HB 215 (By Martinez), Relating to establishment of the disaster identification system for a declared state of disaster.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 216 (By Troxclair), Relating to the provision of an abortion-inducing drug.

To State Affairs.

HB 217 (By Virdell), Relating to the creation of a flood recovery loan program to provide low-interest loans to persons who are victims of flood-related disasters.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 218 (By Troxclair), Relating to prohibition of transporting or funding the transportation of an unemancipated minor for an abortion; providing a civil penalty; creating a criminal offense.

To State Affairs.

HB 219 (By Little), Relating to the limitation on increases in the appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.

HB 220 (By Troxclair), Relating to the vote required by the governing body of a taxing unit to adopt an ad valorem tax rate that exceeds the voter-approval tax rate or authorize the issuance of tax bonds.

To Ways and Means.

HB 222 (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 223 (By Troxclair), Relating to municipal and county financial requirements.

To Intergovernmental Affairs.

HB 224 (By Metcalf), Relating to youth camp emergency preparedness plans.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 226 (By Richardson), Relating to the required provision to campers at youth camps of active radio frequency identification tags.

To Public Health.

HB 228 (By Dyson), Relating to expenditures for lobbying activities made by certain entities.

To State Affairs.

HB 229 (By Patterson, Hefner, Shaheen, Wilson, and Metcalf), Relating to the use by a political subdivision of public funds for lobbying and certain other activities.

To State Affairs.

HB 231 (By Gerdes), Relating to an exemption from the requirement to obtain a permit from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for certain dams or reservoirs operated and maintained for the purposes of erosion, floodwater, and sediment control.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 232 (By Virdell), Relating to establishment of the disaster recovery fund.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 234 (By Cunningham), Relating to the suspension of toll collection while an evacuation order is in effect.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 236 (By Hayes), Relating to an affirmative defense to prosecution for certain victims of trafficking of persons or compelling prostitution.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 239 (By Guillen), Relating to the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of land subject to a quarantine established by the Texas Animal Health Commission for ticks or screwworms.

HB 240 (By Guillen), Relating to the definitions of certain terms for purposes of the exemption from ad valorem taxation of farm products in the hands of the producer.

To Ways and Means.

HB 242 (By Muñoz), Relating to the collection of delinquent ad valorem taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 243 (By Muñoz), Relating to the creation and operation of the Texas Interoperability Council and a grant program administered by the council.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 244 (By Martinez), Relating to flood control measures for Texas Department of Transportation highway projects.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HB 245 (By Muñoz), Relating to the collection of delinquent ad valorem taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 246 (By Muñoz), Relating to the abolition of ad valorem taxes and the creation of a joint interim committee on the abolition of those taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 247 (By Muñoz), Relating to the implementation of an instructionally supportive assessment program and the adoption and administration of assessment instruments in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 248 (By Muñoz), Relating to the jurisdiction of statutory county courts and creation of an additional statutory probate court in Hidalgo County.

To Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence.

HB 249 (By Cook), Relating to a limitation on increases in the appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.

To Ways and Means.

HB 250 (By Cook), Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of a percentage of the assessed value of a property owned by certain disabled veterans and the amount of the exemption for the surviving spouses and children of certain disabled veterans.

To Ways and Means.

HB 251 (By Cook), Relating to the determination of the value not in dispute of property that is the subject of an ad valorem tax protest or appeal.

To Ways and Means.

HB 254 (By Ashby), Relating to eligibility of a political subdivision for a grant from the Rural Infrastructure Disaster Recovery Program.

To Disaster Preparedness and Flooding, Select.

HJR 1 (By Shaheen), Proposing a constitutional amendment specifying the authority of the attorney general to prosecute a criminal offense prescribed by the election laws of this state.

To State Affairs.

HJR 6 (By Schofield), Proposing a constitutional amendment establishing a limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that certain political subdivisions may impose on the residence homesteads of persons who are disabled or elderly and their surviving spouses.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 9 (By Tepper), Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to set lower limits on the maximum appraised value of residence homesteads and of real property other than a residence homestead for ad valorem tax purposes and to make permanent the limit on the maximum appraised value of real property other than a residence homestead.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 13 (By Leo Wilson), Proposing a constitutional amendment specifying the authority of the attorney general to prosecute a criminal offense prescribed by the election laws of this state.

To State Affairs.

HJR 15 (By C. Bell), Proposing a constitutional amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation the total market value of the residence homesteads of certain elderly persons and their surviving spouses.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 16 (By C. Bell), Proposing a constitutional amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation the total market value of the residence homesteads of certain elderly persons and their surviving spouses.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 17 (By Money), Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish ad valorem taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 18 (By C. Bell), Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 19 (By LaHood), Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of such a veteran based on the disability rating of the veteran.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 20 (By Little), Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to set a lower limit on the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation.

HJR 23 (By Muñoz), Proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish ad valorem taxes.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 24 (By Cook), Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of real property for ad valorem tax purposes.

To Ways and Means.

HJR 25 (By Cook), Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation a percentage of the assessed value of property owned by certain disabled veterans.

To Ways and Means.

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HB 7 (By Leach), Relating to prohibitions on the manufacturing and provision of abortion-inducing drugs, including the jurisdiction of and the effect of certain judgments by certain courts within and outside this state with respect to the manufacturing and provision of those drugs, and to protections from certain counter actions under laws other than the laws of this state; authorizing qui tam actions.

To State Affairs.