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## PROCEEDINGS

SIXTY-EIGHTH DAY (CONTINUED) — WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025

The house met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 3113).

Present — Mr. Speaker(C); Alders; Allen; Anchía; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Campos; Canales; Capriglione; Cole; Collier; Cook; Cortez; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Davis, A.; Davis, Y.; Dean; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Gámez; Garcia, J.; 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, J.; 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, C.; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Ordaz; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Plesa; Raymond; Reynolds; Richardson; Rodríguez Ramos; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Simmons; Slawson; Smithee; Spiller; Swanson; Talarico; Tepper; Thompson; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; Turner; VanDeaver; Vasut; Villalobos; Virdell; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wharton; Wilson; Wu; Wiener.

Absent, Excused — Jones, V.

The invocation was offered by Scot Wall, state minister, Capitol Commission, Austin.

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

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of illness:

V. Jones on motion of Plesa.

### **CAPITOL PHYSICIAN**

The chair presented Dr. Mark Eidson of Weatherford as the "Doctor for the Day."

The house welcomed Dr. Eidson and thanked them for their participation in the Physician of the Day Program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

### **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the senate was received at this time (see the addendum to the daily journal, Messages from the Senate, Message No. 1).

### **PROVIDING FOR A CONGRATULATORY AND MEMORIAL CALENDAR**

Representative Patterson moved to set a congratulatory and memorial calendar for 10 a.m. Friday, May 23.

The motion prevailed.

### **COMMITTEES GRANTED PERMISSION TO MEET**

Representative Patterson moved that the house grant permission for all committees and subcommittees to meet while the house is in session, pursuant to their committee postings or recess motions. For purposes of this motion, committees and subcommittees scheduled to meet or reconvene today upon final adjournment or recess or during bill referral if permission is granted are authorized to convene upon adoption by the house of today's adjournment motion.

Permission to meet was granted.

### **COMMITTEES GRANTED PERMISSION TO MEET**

Representative Hefner requested permission for the Committee on Homeland Security, Public Safety, and Veterans' Affairs to meet while the house is in session, at 1 p.m. today, in 1W.14, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

Permission to meet was granted.

Representative Lambert requested permission for the Committee on Pensions, Investments, and Financial Services to meet while the house is in session, at 3 p.m. today, in 1W.14, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

Permission to meet was granted.

### **FIVE-DAY POSTING RULE SUSPENDED**

Representative VanDeaver moved to suspend the five-day posting rule to allow the Committee on Public Health to consider **SB 125**, **SB 904**, and **SB 905** at 8 a.m. tomorrow in E2.030.

The motion prevailed.

### **COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following committee meetings were announced:

Homeland Security, Public Safety, and Veterans' Affairs, 1 p.m. today, 1W.14, for a formal meeting, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

Pensions, Investments, and Financial Services, 3 p.m. today, 1W.14, for a formal meeting, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

### **COMMITTEE GRANTED PERMISSION TO MEET**

Representative Buckley requested permission for the Committee on Public Education to meet while the house is in session, at 11:30 a.m. today, in 1W.14, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

Permission to meet was granted.

### **COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following committee meeting was announced:

Public Education, 11:30 a.m. today, 1W.14, for a formal meeting, to consider pending, referred, and committee business.

### **BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER**

Notice was given at this time that the speaker had signed bills and resolutions in the presence of the house (see the addendum to the daily journal, Signed by the Speaker, House List No. 16).

### **HR 1307 - INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

The chair recognized Representative Manuel who introduced family members and friends of Brenda Diane Calhoun Vaughn.

(Landgraf in the chair)

### **HR 1076 - ADOPTED (by Y. Davis)**

Representative Y. Davis moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1076**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 1076**, Honoring Alfrelynn J. Roberts on her election as president of the National Association of Negro Musicians.

**HR 1076** was adopted.

### **HR 1276 - ADOPTED (by Y. Davis)**

Representative Y. Davis moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1276**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 1276**, Commending Lucious Williams of DeSoto for his service in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

**HR 1276** was adopted.

**HR 1277 - ADOPTED**  
**(by Y. Davis)**

Representative Y. Davis moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1277**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 1277**, Commending Illya Hicks II for his service as a legislative aide in the office of State Representative Yvonne Davis.

**HR 1277** was adopted.

**HR 1279 - ADOPTED**  
**(by Y. Davis)**

Representative Y. Davis moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1279**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 1279**, Commending Joy Chanslor for her service as a legislative intern in the office of State Representative Yvonne Davis.

**HR 1279** was adopted.

**PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY**

REPRESENTATIVE TINDERHOLT: If a member of this body offers an amendment to a bill, then votes the next day to keep that amendment on third reading, and then goes and registers a no vote on the amendment they offered, does it actually exist? Does the amendment actually exist?

CHAIR (Landgraf in the chair): Mr. Tinderholt, that is not a proper parliamentary inquiry. And the reason why is because that business is not before the body at this time.

TINDERHOLT: So we have a conference committee happening on **SB 17**. And due to the fact that that is happening right now and there's a conference committee, the individual that offered the amendment pulled—basically, essentially wrote that they should have voted no on their own amendment after it passed. Is that conference committee actually necessary? Does that amendment exist, or is there some full circle that happens when they say no to their own amendment that they could have pulled? Does that amendment exist, and is that conference committee necessary for **SB 17**?

CHAIR: Mr. Tinderholt, that business is not before the house at this time, and accordingly, your parliamentary inquiry is not proper at this time.

REPRESENTATIVE SHAHEEN: Can the members look at the journal to see whether, in fact, I had changed my vote to no?

CHAIR: Mr. Shaheen, that is not a proper parliamentary inquiry.

SHAHEEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for answering that. Because I think if the members check the journal, they'll say that Mr. Tinderholt's representation is inaccurate. Thank you.

### **FIVE-DAY POSTING RULE SUSPENDED**

Representative VanDeaver moved to suspend the five-day posting rule to allow the Committee on Public Health to consider **SB 968** at 8 a.m. tomorrow in E2.030.

The motion prevailed.

### **REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED**

Representative Cain moved to print remarks between Representatives Tinderholt and Shaheen and the chair.

The motion prevailed.

(Speaker pro tempore in the chair)

### **LOCAL, CONSENT, AND RESOLUTIONS CALENDAR SECOND READING**

The following bills were laid before the house, read second time, and passed to engrossment or third reading (members registering votes are shown following the caption), and the following resolutions were laid before the house on committee report:

**SB 546** was contested and was withdrawn and, pursuant to Rule 6, Section 24, of the House Rules, was returned to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars. (Pursuant to Rule 6, Section 14(3), of the House Rules, the following five members gave notice of their objection: Cain, Lowe, Money, Virdell, and Hopper.)

**CSSB 647** (Anchía, Lujan, Button, and Longoria - House Sponsors), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the filing or recording of documents or instruments conveying or purporting to convey an interest in real or personal property. (Cook, Cunningham, Dorazio, Harrison, Hickland, Holt, Hopper, Hull, LaHood, Leo Wilson, Little, Lowe, Luther, Morgan, Noble, Olcott, Patterson, Pierson, Richardson, Schatzline, Schoolcraft, Shofner, Spiller, Tinderholt, Toth, and Troxclair recorded voting no.)

**CSSB 648** (Anchía, Lujan, Button, and Longoria - House Sponsors), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to recording requirements for certain instruments concerning real property. (Cunningham, Dorazio, Harrison, Hickland, Holt, Hopper, Hull, LaHood, Leo Wilson, Little, Lowe, Luther, Morgan, Noble, Olcott, Patterson, Pierson, Richardson, Schatzline, Schoolcraft, Shofner, Slawson, Spiller, Toth, and Troxclair recorded voting no.)

**SB 1493** (Patterson - House Sponsor), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to lighting equipment requirements for motor vehicles. (Cain, Cunningham, and Vasut recorded voting no.)

**CSSB 1709** (Raymond and Villalobos - House Sponsors), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the designation of a portion of Farm to Market Road 70 in Nueces County as the Los Robles Trail.

**SB 2001** (Craddick - House Sponsor), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the registration of vehicles, the issuance of disabled parking placards, and certain benefits associated with that registration or issuance for certain peace officers with disabilities; authorizing a fee. (Dorazio, Harrison, Holt, Hull, LaHood, Leo Wilson, Little, Lowe, Luther, Money, Morgan, Olcott, Pierson, Richardson, Schatzline, Schoolcraft, Shofner, Tinderholt, and Toth recorded voting no.)

**HB 5669** (by Phelan), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the name and powers of the Sabine Pass Port Authority; altering the terms of the authority's port commission; altering the authority to issue bonds. (Bumgarner, Cain, Cook, Cunningham, DeAyala, Harris Davila, Harrison, Hickland, Hopper, Hull, Isaac, LaHood, Lambert, Leo Wilson, Little, Lowe, Luther, Money, Morgan, Noble, Olcott, Patterson, Pierson, Richardson, Schatzline, Schoolcraft, Shofner, Slawson, Spiller, Swanson, Tinderholt, Toth, Troxclair, Vasut, and Wilson recorded voting no.)

**HB 3115** (by Troxclair), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authority of the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District to regulate certain wells. (Bonnen, Capriglione, Cunningham, Dean, Harrison, Hefner, Holt, Hull, LaHood, Leach, Leo Wilson, Little, Lowe, Luther, Metcalf, Money, Morgan, Olcott, Oliverson, Patterson, Pierson, Richardson, Schatzline, Schoolcraft, Slawson, Spiller, Tinderholt, and Toth recorded voting no.)

**HB 5655** (by Gates), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of the Fort Bend County Water Control and Improvement District No. 13; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes. (Alders, Ashby, Barry, Bonnen, Bumgarner, Cain, Capriglione, Cook, Cunningham, Dean, DeAyala, Dorazio, Harris Davila, Harrison, Hefner, Hickland, Holt, Hopper, Hull, Isaac, King, LaHood, Lambert, Leach, Leo Wilson, Little, Lowe, Luther, McQueeney, Metcalf, Money, Morgan, Noble, Olcott, Oliverson, Pierson, Richardson, Schatzline, Schoolcraft, Shofner, Slawson, Spiller, Swanson, Tinderholt, Toth, Troxclair, Vasut, Wharton, and Wilson recorded voting no.)

**HB 5675** was withdrawn by the author and, pursuant to Rule 6, Section 24, of the House Rules, was returned to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars.

**HB 5689** (by Hayes), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the powers and duties and validating certain acts and proceedings of the Cole Ranch Improvement District No. 1 of Denton County, Texas. (Ashby, Barry, Bonnen,

Cain, Capriglione, Cunningham, DeAyala, Harrison, Hull, Isaac, King, Noble, Oliverson, Schoolcraft, Slawson, Spiller, Vasut, and Wharton recorded voting no.)

**HB 5690** (by Hayes), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the powers and duties and validating certain acts and proceedings of the Hunter Ranch Improvement District No. 1 of Denton County, Texas. (Ashby, Barry, Bonnen, Cain, Capriglione, Cunningham, Dean, DeAyala, Harrison, Hull, Isaac, King, McQueeney, Noble, Oliverson, Schoolcraft, Slawson, Spiller, Vasut, and Wharton recorded voting no.)

**HB 5653** (by Luther), A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the composition of the juvenile board of Grayson County. (Bonnen, Cain, Capriglione, Cunningham, Hull, Oliverson, Patterson, Slawson, Vasut, and Wilson recorded voting no.)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Patterson moved that the house adjourn until 11:15 a.m. today.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 11:08 a.m., adjourned until 11:15 a.m. today.

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### **ADDENDUM**

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### **SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER**

The following bills and resolutions were today signed in the presence of the house by the speaker:

#### **House List No. 16**

**HB 9, HB 102, HB 109, HB 132, HB 668, HB 677, HB 754, HB 791, HB 1193, HB 1520, HB 1639, HB 1922, HB 2187, HB 2510, HB 2559, HB 2607, HB 2789, HB 2960, HB 2970, HB 3041, HB 3370, HB 3699, HB 3805, HB 4325, HB 4804, HB 4885, HB 5342**

### **MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

The following messages from the senate were today received by the house:

#### **Message No. 1**

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

The Honorable Speaker of the House  
House Chamber

Austin, Texas

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the senate to inform the house that the senate has taken the following action:

THE SENATE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

**HB 107** Simmons SPONSOR: Miles  
Relating to the establishment of the sickle cell disease registry.  
(Amended)

**HB 694** Gervin-Hawkins SPONSOR: Cook  
Relating to the notification of certain persons concerning certain events related to children in the managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

**HB 923** Garcia Hernandez, SPONSOR: Blanco  
Cassandra  
Relating to the Texas Medical Disclosure Panel.

**HB 1875** Lopez, Janie SPONSOR: Flores  
Relating to a study by the General Land Office regarding veterans cemeteries in this state.

**HB 1893** Cook SPONSOR: King  
Relating to the disclosure under the public information law of a motor vehicle license plate number captured in a video recording obtained or maintained by a law enforcement agency.

**HB 2071** Hull SPONSOR: Kolkhorst  
Relating to certain policies and procedures for health care specialty consultations in certain child abuse or neglect investigations and assessments.

**HB 2513** Tepper SPONSOR: Perry  
Relating to a paid leave of absence for public employees serving as fire protection personnel who are engaged in certain military service.

**HB 2522** Dean SPONSOR: Hughes  
Relating to fingerprinting requirements for the issuance of dealer general distinguishing numbers to certain persons.

**HB 2733** Canales SPONSOR: Parker  
Relating to the prosecution of the criminal offenses of prohibited barratry and solicitation of professional employment.  
(Committee Substitute)

**HB 2788** Button SPONSOR: Johnson  
Relating to the disclosure of certain fraud detection information obtained in the administration of the unemployment compensation system.

**HB 3033** Craddick SPONSOR: King  
Relating to a grant program for nonprofit organizations supporting employees of the Department of Public Safety; authorizing voluntary contributions.

**HB 3211** Dean SPONSOR: Middleton



Relating to vision care benefits, including participation of optometrists and therapeutic optometrists in vision care or managed care plans.

**HB 3376** Capriglione SPONSOR: Zaffirini  
Relating to training on Alzheimer's disease, dementia, and related disorders for certain guardians.

**HB 3751** Ashby SPONSOR: Nichols  
Relating to the transfer of certain real property from the Texas Department of Transportation to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

**HB 3810** Alders SPONSOR: Hughes  
Relating to the dissolution of the Rose City Municipal Utility District.

**HB 4187** Metcalf SPONSOR: Kolkhorst  
Relating to the authority and responsibilities of the Texas Historical Commission; authorizing fees.  
(Committee Substitute/Amended)

**HB 4219** Capriglione SPONSOR: Zaffirini  
Relating to a governmental body's response to a request for public information.

**HB 4273** Oliverson SPONSOR: Kolkhorst  
Relating to fraud prevention and verifying eligibility for benefits under Medicaid.  
(Committee Substitute)

**HB 4506** Bonnen SPONSOR: Hagenbuch  
Relating to electronic delivery of notice for certain municipal zoning changes.

**HB 4529** Hefner SPONSOR: Hancock  
Relating to the regulation of child-care facilities that maintain a certificate to operate issued by the United States Department of Defense.

**HB 4643** Dorazio SPONSOR: Hagenbuch  
Relating to access to criminal history record information that relates to providers and provider applicants under Medicaid and other public benefits programs administered by the Health and Human Services Commission.

**HB 4753** Gates SPONSOR: Parker  
Relating to the municipal issuance of a document verifying that a certificate of occupancy has been issued for certain buildings.

**HB 4783** VanDeaver SPONSOR: Hancock  
Relating to a report on governmental opioid antagonist programs to reverse and prevent opioid overdoses.  
(Committee Substitute)

**HB 4850** Button SPONSOR: King  
Relating to programs to promote economic development in the Office of the Governor and to the repeal of the governor's broadband development council.  
(Committee Substitute)

**HB 5424** Bonnen SPONSOR: Middleton  
Relating to volunteer firefighter compensation limits.

**HCR 90** Capriglione SPONSOR: King

Expressing support for the strengthening of our partnership with Israel and for the creation of a Texas Trade and Investment Office in Israel.

**HCR 98**

Plesa

SPONSOR: Hinojosa,  
Juan "Chuy"

Urging Congress to enhance coordination among federal, state, and local authorities in the deployment of C-UAS technologies for border security.

**SB 511**

Bettencourt

Relating to prohibiting an officer or employee of this state or of a political subdivision of this state from distributing certain voter registration application forms and to the notice of availability of such forms; creating criminal offenses.

**SB 1633**

Campbell

Relating to the authority of a county commissioners court to adopt an exemption from ad valorem taxation by each taxing unit that taxes the property of the portion of the appraised value of a person's property that is attributable to the installation in or on the property of certain water conservation systems.

**SB 2233**

Hinojosa, Adam

Relating to a prohibition on certain persons endorsing or espousing terrorist activity at public institutions of higher education.

**SJR 60**

Campbell

Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the commissioners court of a county to exempt from ad valorem taxation by each political subdivision that taxes the property the portion of the assessed value of a person's property that is attributable to the installation in or on the property of a rainwater harvesting or graywater system.

THE SENATE HAS CONCURRED IN THE HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

**SB 529**

(27 Yeas, 4 Nays)

**SB 541**

(31 Yeas, 0 Nays)

**SB 693**

(31 Yeas, 0 Nays)

**SB 1173**

(29 Yeas, 2 Nays)

**SB 1646**

(29 Yeas, 2 Nays)

**SB 1734**

(31 Yeas, 0 Nays)

**SJR 34**

(31 Yeas, 0 Nays)

THE SENATE HAS REFUSED TO CONCUR IN THE HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING MEASURES AND REQUESTS THE APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE TO ADJUST THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO HOUSES:

**SB 1833**

Senate Conferees: Parker - Chair/Flores/Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"/Huffman/King

Respectfully,

Patsy Spaw

Secretary of the Senate

