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EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, SECOND CALLED SESSION

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## PROCEEDINGS

ELEVENTH DAY (CONTINUED) — WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

The house met at 6 p.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 154).

Present — Mr. Speaker(C); Alders; Allen; 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, A.; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Gámez; Garcia Hernandez; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, M.; Goodwin; 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; Martinez; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Meza; Money; Moody; Morales, E.; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Ordaz; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Plesa; Raymond; Richardson; 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 — Anchía; Dean; Garcia, L.; Martinez Fischer; Morales Shaw.

Absent — Campos; Davis, Y.; Garcia, J.; González, J.; Guerra; Jones, V.; Manuel; Morales, C.; Reynolds; Rodríguez Ramos.

The invocation was offered by Ferman Carpenter, chaplain, Texas Department of Public Safety, Round Rock.

The chair recognized Representative McQueeney 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 illness:

Dean on motion of Darby.

L. Garcia on motion of M. Perez.

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

Martinez Fischer on motion of Raymond.

### **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. 3).

### **HR 174 - NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION**

Pursuant to Rule 13, Section 9(f), of the House Rules, the chair announced the introduction of **HR 174**, suspending the limitations on the conferees for **SB 5**.

(Harris in the chair)

### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

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

E. Morales on motion of Rosenthal.

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

V. Jones on motion of Ward Johnson.

(Manuel now present)

### **HR 157 - ADOPTED**

**(by Noble)**

Representative Noble moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 157**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 157**, In memory of former state representative Jodie Anne Laubenberg.

**HR 157** was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Craddick, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 157** as signers thereof.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

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

Guerra on motion of Barry.

**REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED**

Representative Leach moved to print remarks by Representative Noble on **HR 157**.

The motion prevailed. [The text of the debate was not available at the time of printing.]

(J. González now present)

**HR 153 - ADOPTED**  
**(by Kerwin)**

Representative Kerwin moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 153**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 153**, In memory of John Michael Percifield Sr. of Alvarado.

**HR 153** was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Money, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 153** as signers thereof.

**REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED**

Representative McQueeney moved to print remarks by Representatives Schatzline and Kerwin.

The motion prevailed. [The text of the debate was not available at the time of printing.]

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

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

Y. Davis on motion of Ward Johnson.

Reynolds on motion of Ward Johnson.

**HR 177 - ADOPTED**  
**(by Geren)**

Representative Geren moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 177**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

**HR 177**, Creating a general investigating committee on disaster response.

**HR 177** was adopted by (Record 155): 132 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Allen; 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, A.; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Gámez; Garcia Hernandez; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guillen; Harless; Harris(C); Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hernandez; Hickland; Hinojosa; Holt; Hopper; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Johnson; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; Manuel; Martinez; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Meza; Money; Moody; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Raymond; Richardson; 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; Zwiener.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker.

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Campos; Garcia, J.; Jones, J.; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Plesa; Rodríguez Ramos.

(Patterson in the chair)

### SUSPENSION CONGRATULATORY AND MEMORIAL CALENDAR

The following congratulatory resolutions were laid before the house:

**HCR 20** (by Craddick), Commemorating the 75th anniversary of St. Ann's Catholic School in Midland.

**HR 131** (by Guillen), Congratulating Alicia Canales Gonzalez of Hebbronville on her 100th birthday.

**HR 133** (by Guillen), Congratulating Albino Bazan Jr. of La Casita on his 100th birthday.

**HR 135** (by Guillen), Commemorating the dedication of the Official Texas Historical Marker for Rancho de Pataguilla.

**HR 136** (by Guillen), Commemorating the 60th annual Freer Rattlesnake Round Up barbecue cook-off.

**HR 137** (by Guillen), Commemorating the Summer Under the Stars Block Party & BBQ Cook-Off.

**HR 144** (by V. Perez), Congratulating Manuel Delgadillo of Del Valle High School on his selection as the 2025-2026 Secondary Teacher of the Year in Ysleta ISD.

**HR 145** (by V. Perez), Congratulating Gladis Hinojos of Riverside Elementary School on her selection as the 2025-2026 Elementary Teacher of the Year in Ysleta ISD.

**HR 146** (by Hunter), Recognizing April 8, 2026, as Texas Dance Day.

**HR 149** (by Moody), Commemorating the 100th anniversary of Cathedral High School in El Paso.

**HR 150** (by Flores), Commemorating the 45th anniversary of Austin Regional Clinic.

**HR 151** (by Buckley), Honoring the Rotary Club of Killeen Heights on the occasion of its 40th anniversary in 2025.

**HR 152** (by Buckley), Commemorating the 7th annual Bell County Area Go Texan BBQ Cook-off in Belton.

**HR 158** (by Dyson), Commemorating the 30th anniversary of Scotty's House Brazos Valley Child Advocacy Center in Bryan.

**HR 161** (by Olcott), Honoring the first responders, government officials, volunteers, and donors who have assisted in the recovery from the May 2025 tornado in Gordon.

**HR 162** (by Moody), Commending Judge Niland for his service as a legislative aide in the office of Speaker Pro Tempore Joe Moody.

**HR 163** (by Flores), Commemorating the 45th anniversary of Juan in a Million in Austin.

**HR 165** (by Curry), Honoring Scottie James Curry on her first birthday.

**HR 166** (by Lujan), Commemorating the 65th anniversary of the incorporation of Universal City.

**HR 168** (by Martinez Fischer), Honoring El Pastor Es Mi Señor in San Antonio.

**HR 169** (by Gámez), Commemorating the 25th anniversary of Dr. Ruben Gallegos Elementary School in Brownsville ISD.

**HR 170** (by Zwiener), Commemorating the grand opening of the new Hays County Food Bank headquarters in San Marcos.

**HR 175** (by Bucy), Recognizing HEARD for its efforts to assist flood victims in Williamson County.

**HR 178** (by Dyson), Congratulating Justin and Amy Farrell of Bryan on the birth of their daughter, Maeve Faye Farrell.

The resolutions were adopted.

The following memorial resolutions were laid before the house:

**HR 127** (by Hull), In memory of Lainey Anne Landry of Houston.

**HR 129** (by Howard), In memory of Abby Lynn Pohl of Austin.

**HR 130** (by Howard), In memory of Linnie Anne McCown of Austin.

**HR 132** (by Guillen), In memory of Luis V. Allala Jr. of Cotulla.

**HR 134** (by Guillen), In memory of William "Bill" Franklin Hunt of Stockdale.

**HR 138** (by Guillen), In memory of Arturo M. Garza of Rio Grande City.

**HR 139** (by Guillen), In memory of Alejandro "Alex" Lopez Jr. of San Diego.

**HR 140** (by Guillen), In memory of Roldan Montalvo Jr. of Hebbronville.

**HR 141** (by Johnson), In memory of Ellen Elizabeth Getten of Houston.

**HR 142** (by Johnson), In memory of Anna Margaret Bellows of Houston.

**HR 143** (by Phelan), In memory of Mary Grace Baker of Beaumont.

**HR 153** was previously adopted.

**HR 154** (by Harless), In memory of Nelda Sue Hardie Napp of Houston.

**HR 155** (by Flores), In memory of John R. "Johnny" Gonzales of Manor.

**HR 156** (by Curry), In memory of John, Julia, Jack, and James Burgess of Liberty.

**HR 159** (by Flores), In memory of Susan Gay Morrison of Austin.

**HR 160** (by Canales), In memory of Sabrina Walker-Hernandez of Edinburg.

**HR 164** (by Guillen), In memory of David Homer Guerra of McAllen.

**HR 167** (by Martinez Fischer), In memory of Amparo Hurtado Ortiz of San Antonio.

**HR 172** (by Muñoz), In memory of Alejandro Rodriguez IV.

**HR 173** (by Leach), In memory of Jennifer Lynn Young Cook of Plano.

**HR 176** (by Schatzline), In memory of Ava Renee Moore and recognizing November 7, 2025, as Ava Moore Day.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

(Harris in the chair)

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

The following member was granted leave of absence for the remainder of today because of important business:

J. Jones on motion of Ward Johnson.

### **HB 8 - HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS**

Representative Buckley called up with senate amendments for consideration at this time,

**HB 8**, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to public school accountability and transparency, including the implementation of an instructionally supportive assessment program and the adoption and administration of assessment instruments in public schools, indicators of achievement, public school

performance ratings, and interventions and sanctions under the public school accountability system, a grant program for school district local accountability plans, and actions challenging Texas Education Agency decisions related to public school accountability.

### **HB 8 - POINT OF ORDER**

Representative Gámez raised a point of order against further consideration of **HB 8** under Rule 8, Section 3, of the House Rules and under Article III, Section 40, of the Texas Constitution on the grounds that the bill contains more than one subject and that the subject matter of the bill is not included in the field of legislation designated by the governor's proclamation. The point of order was withdrawn.

(Speaker in the chair)

Pursuant to Rule 5, Section 28, of the House Rules, Representative Hinojosa requested an extension of speaking time on **HB 8**.

The request was granted by (Record 156): 86 Yeas, 42 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Allen; Barry; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Button; Canales; Cole; Collier; Cunningham; Darby; Davis, A.; DeAyala; Dutton; Dyson; Flores; Frank; Gámez; García Hernandez; Gates; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Hernandez; Hinojosa; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Johnson; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Little; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Luther; Manuel; Martinez; McLaughlin; Meyer; Meza; Money; Moody; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Oliverson; Orr; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Plesa; Raymond; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Simmons; Spiller; Talarico; Tepper; Thompson; Turner; VanDeaver; Villalobos; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wharton; Wu; Zwiener.

Nays — Ashby; Bell, C.; Bumgarner; Cain; Cook; Craddick; Curry; Dorazio; Gerdes; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Isaac; Kerwin; Leach; Leo Wilson; Louderback; Lowe; Lujan; McQueeney; Metcalf; Olcott; Patterson; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shaheen; Shofner; Slawson; Smithee; Swanson; Tinderholt; Toth; Troxclair; Vasut; Virdell; Wilson.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Bonnen; Campos; Capriglione; Cortez; Fairly; Garcia, J.; Lozano; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Rodríguez Ramos.

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED**

The following member was granted leave of absence for the remainder of today because of important business in the district:

Hernandez on motion of Walle.

**HB 8 - (consideration continued)****HB 8 - TEXT OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

Representative Buckley moved to concur in the senate amendments to **HB 8**.

The motion to concur in the senate amendments to **HB 8** prevailed by (Record 157): 79 Yeas, 47 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

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

Nays — Allen; Barry; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Canales; Cole; Collier; Davis, A.; Flores; Gámez; Garcia Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Harrison; Hinojosa; Howard; Johnson; Little; Longoria; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Martinez; Meza; Moody; Muñoz; Perez, V.; Phelan; Plesa; Raymond; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Simmons; Spiller; Talarico; Thompson; Turner; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wu; Zwiener.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Hernandez; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Bhojani; Campos; Cortez; Dutton; Garcia, J.; Lalani; Lambert; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Rodríguez Ramos.

**STATEMENTS OF VOTE**

When Record No. 157 was taken, I was in the house but away from my desk. I would have voted no.

Bhojani

When Record No. 157 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted no.

C. Morales

When Record No. 157 was taken, I was shown voting yes. I intended to vote no.

Morgan



When Record No. 157 was taken, I was in the house but away from my desk. I would have voted no.

M. Perez

When Record No. 157 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted no.

Rodríguez Ramos

When Record No. 157 was taken, I was shown voting yes. I intended to vote no.

VanDeaver

### REASONS FOR VOTE

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

When the record vote to concur with the senate amendments on **HB 8** was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of this special session's redistricting scheme and the harm the proposed map would impose. I would have voted no because **HB 8** significantly increases the burden of standardized testing by mandating three state assessments, effectively tripling the number of TEA-required testing days for Texas students. This expanded TEA testing regime will increase disruptions to instruction and disproportionately impact underfunded campuses, while doing nothing to contribute to genuine student learning. The senate amendments make a bad bill worse, reversing and partially reversing amendments that made improvements to the bill.

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

When the record vote to concur with the senate amendments on **HB 8** was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session called to pass a racially gerrymandered redistricting scheme. I would have voted no because **HB 8** significantly increases the burden of standardized testing by mandating three state assessments, effectively tripling the number of TEA-required testing days for Texas students. This expanded TEA testing regime will increase disruptions to instruction and disproportionately impact underfunded campuses, while doing nothing to contribute to genuine student learning. The senate amendments make a bad bill worse, reversing and partially reversing amendments that made improvements to the bill.

### Senate Amendment No. 1 (Senate Floor Amendment No. 1)

Amend **HB 8** (senate committee report) as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1.004 of the bill, strike amended Section 39.023(a), Education Code, and substitute the following:

(a) In creating and implementing the instructionally supportive assessment program under Section 39.022, the [The] agency shall adopt or develop appropriate beginning-of-year, middle-of-year, and end-of-year [criterion referenced] assessment instruments designed to assess essential

knowledge and skills in reading language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science. Except as provided by Subsection (a-2), all students, other than students assessed under Subsection (b) or (l) or exempted under Section 39.027, shall be assessed in:

- (1) mathematics, annually in grades three through eight;
- (2) reading language arts, annually in grades three through eight;
- (3) social studies, in grade eight;
- (4) science, in grades five and eight; and
- (5) any other subject and grade required by federal law.

(2) In SECTION 1.004 of the bill, strike amended Section 39.023(c), Education Code, and substitute the following:

(c) The agency shall also adopt or develop end-of-course assessment instruments for secondary-level courses in Algebra I, biology, English I, ~~[English II]~~ and United States history and provide for the availability of optional beginning-of-year and middle-of-year assessment instruments for those courses. The Algebra I end-of-course assessment instrument must be administered with the aid of technology, but may include one or more parts that prohibit the use of technology. The English I ~~[and English II]~~ end-of-course assessment instrument ~~[instruments]~~ must ~~[each]~~ assess essential knowledge and skills in both reading and writing and must provide a single score. ~~[A school district shall comply with State Board of Education rules regarding administration of the assessment instruments listed in this subsection. If a student is in a special education program under Subchapter A, Chapter 29, the student's admission, review, and dismissal committee shall determine whether any allowable modification is necessary in administering to the student an assessment instrument required under this subsection. The State Board of Education shall administer the assessment instruments. An end-of-course assessment instrument may be administered in multiple parts over more than one day. The State Board of Education shall adopt a schedule for the administration of end of course assessment instruments that complies with the requirements of Subsection (c-3).]~~

(3) In SECTION 1.005 of the bill, in added Section 39.02301(d)(3)(B), Education Code, strike "under Subsection (d-1)".

(4) In SECTION 1.005 of the bill, in added Section 39.02301(d-1), Education Code:

(A) Between "rescore" and "the writing", insert "at no cost to a school district or open-enrollment charter school.".

(B) Between "determines" and "the student's", insert "the student would attain the next highest overall performance level on the assessment instrument if".

(5) In SECTION 1.005 of the bill, immediately following added Section 39.02301(d-1), Education Code, insert the following:

(d-2) For a student response submitted for rescoring under Subsection (d)(3)(B), the agency shall pay the costs associated with rescoring if the rescoring results in an increase in the student's score.

(6) In SECTION 1.006 of the bill, in amended Section 39.025(a-2), Education Code, strike "A student may take" and substitute "To the extent authorized by federal law, a student may take".

(7) In SECTION 2.003 of the bill, strike added Section 39.053(c-6), Education Code, and substitute the following:

(c-6) Notwithstanding Subsections (f-1) and (f-3), not later than the 2029-2030 school year, the commissioner shall present the measure described by Subsection (c-5) to the accountability advisory committee established under Section 39.0534 to consider the incorporation of the measure into the indicators described by Subsection (c)(2)(A) and in any other domain or indicator the commissioner considers relevant. Not later than March 15, 2029, the agency shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the chairs of the standing legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over public school accountability a report regarding the measure described by Subsection (c-5). This subsection expires September 1, 2030.

(8) In SECTION 2.004 of the bill, immediately following added Section 39.0531(a), Education Code, insert the following:

(a-1) For purposes of Subsection (a), the agency's provision of a proposed list or a modified proposed list of industry certifications to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Texas Workforce Commission satisfies the requirement under that subsection to jointly develop a list of industry certifications, unless the board or commission submits to the agency revisions to the proposed list or modified proposed list on or before the 90th day after the date the agency provides the proposed list or modified proposed list to the board or commission.

(9) In SECTION 2.004 of the bill, in added Section 39.0535(a), Education Code:

(A) Strike "educator quality".

(B) Strike "parental engagement, and school climate" and substitute "and parental engagement".

(10) In SECTION 4.005 of the bill, in amended Section 28.0211(a-8), Education Code, strike "Algebra I, English I, or English II," and substitute "Algebra I or[s] English I, [~~or English II,~~]".

### **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).

### **MAJOR STATE CALENDAR SENATE BILLS SECOND READING**

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

**SB 1 - RULES SUSPENDED  
ADDITIONAL SPONSORS AUTHORIZED**

Representative King moved to suspend Rule 8, Section 5(d), of the House Rules to designate representatives on the signature lists submitted by the committee chair to the chief clerk as joint sponsors and co-sponsors to **SB 1**.

The motion prevailed.

**CSSB 1 ON SECOND READING  
(Darby - House Sponsor)**

**CSSB 1**, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to campground and youth camp safety.

(Landgraf in the chair)

**Amendment No. 1**

Representative Virdell offered the following amendment to **CSSB 1**:

Amend **CSSB 1** (house committee report) as follows:

(1) Strike SECTION 3 of the bill (page 1, line 21 through page 2, line 15) and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly.

(2) On page 2, line 17, strike "141.0052,".

(3) Strike page 2, line 19 through page 3, line 5.

(4) On page 7, line 24, between "with" and "a", insert "access to".

(5) On page 8, strike lines 8 through 13 and substitute the following:

(m) A youth camp operator shall conspicuously post in each cabin on the youth camp premises the proper evacuation route described in the youth camp's emergency plan.

(6) On page 8, line 23, strike "REDUNDANT INTERNET CONNECTIONS" and substitute "BROADBAND INTERNET CONNECTION".

(7) Strike page 8, line 26 through page 9, line 6 and substitute the following:

(b) A youth camp operator shall provide and maintain for a youth camp Internet services through a broadband service.

(8) On page 10, strike lines 3 through 9 and substitute the following:

(4) "Floodplain" means any area within a 100-year floodplain identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. Section 4001 et seq.).

Representative Darby moved to table Amendment No. 1.

(Speaker in the chair)

The motion to table prevailed by (Record 158): 90 Yeas, 38 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Allen; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Button; Canales; Capriglione; Cole; Collier; Craddick; Curry; Darby; Davis, A.; DeAyala; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Gámez; García Hernandez; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.;

González, M.; Goodwin; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Hefner; Hickland; Hinojosa; Howard; Hunter; Johnson; King; Kitzman; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Little; Longoria; Lopez, R.; Louderback; Lujan; Manuel; Martinez; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Meza; Moody; Muñoz; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Plesa; Raymond; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Shaheen; Simmons; Smithee; Spiller; Talarico; Tepper; Thompson; Turner; VanDeaver; Villalobos; Vo; Walle; Ward Johnson; Wharton; Wilson; Wu; Zwiener.

Nays — Alders; Ashby; Cain; Cook; Cunningham; Dorazio; Gates; Gerdes; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Holt; Hopper; Isaac; Kerwin; LaHood; Leo Wilson; Lowe; Lozano; Luther; McLaughlin; Money; Morgan; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Pierson; Richardson; Schatzline; Schofield; Schoolcraft; Shofner; Slawson; Swanson; Tinderholt; Troxclair; Vasut; Virdell.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Hernandez; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Campos; Cortez; Garcia, J.; Hull; Lopez, J.; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Rodríguez Ramos; Toth.

### STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 158 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

Ashby

When Record No. 158 was taken, I was shown voting yes. I intended to vote no.

C. Bell

When Record No. 158 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

Cunningham

When Record No. 158 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

Harris Davila

When Record No. 158 was taken, my vote failed to register. I would have voted yes.

J. Lopez

When Record No. 158 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

McLaughlin

**CSSB 1** was passed to third reading by (Record 159): 122 Yeas, 8 Nays, 0 Present, not voting.

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

Nays — Dorazio; Harrison; Lowe; Money; Olcott; Schofield; Swanson; Virdell.

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Hernandez; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Cain; Campos; Cortez; Flores; Garcia, J.; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Rodríguez Ramos.

### STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 159 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted yes.

C. Morales

When Record No. 159 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted yes.

Rodríguez Ramos

### 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, Senate List Nos. 3 and 4).

### HB 27 - HOUSE REFUSES TO CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENTS CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

Representative Harris called up with senate amendments for consideration at this time,

**HB 27**, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to a groundwater study of certain aquifers underlying the territory of the Neches and Trinity Valleys Groundwater Conservation District by the Texas Water Development Board before the issuance of permits or permit amendments by the district.

Representative Harris moved that the house not concur in the senate amendments and that a conference committee be requested to adjust the differences between the two houses on **HB 27**.

The motion prevailed.

The chair announced the appointment of the following conference committee, on the part of the house, on **HB 27**: Harris, chair; Ashby, K. Bell, Bonnen, and M. González.

### **REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED**

Representative Garcia Hernandez moved to print all remarks on **HB 8**.

The motion prevailed. [The text of the debate was not available at the time of printing.]

### **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. 2).

### **REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED**

Representative Gerdes moved to print all remarks on **HB 27**.

The motion prevailed. [The text of the debate was not available at the time of printing.]

### **HR 174 - ADOPTED (by Bonnen)**

The following privileged resolution was laid before the house:

#### **HR 174**

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 2025, That House Rule 13, Section 9(a), be suspended in part as provided by House Rule 13, Section 9(f), to enable the conference committee appointed to resolve the differences on **SB 5** (making supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and preparedness and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding those appropriations) to consider and take action on the following matters:

(1) House Rule 13, Section 9(a)(4), is suspended to permit the committee to add text on a matter not included in either the house or senate version of the bill in proposed SECTION 4 of the bill, by adding contingent appropriations to the Department of State Health Services for campground and youth camp safety, to read as follows:

SECTION 4. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES: CAMPGROUND AND YOUTH CAMP SAFETY CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS. (a) Contingent on the enactment of **SB 1** or similar legislation of the 89th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 2025, relating to campground and youth camp safety, the amount of \$2,594,265 is appropriated from the economic stabilization fund for use during the two-year period beginning on the effective date of this Act, and the amount of \$2,484,726 is

appropriated from the general revenue fund for use during the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2026, to the Department of State Health Services to implement the provisions of that legislation. The department shall adjust the amount of license fees established under Section 141.0035, Health and Safety Code, as necessary to recover the costs of the appropriations made under this subsection.

(b) During the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, in addition to the capital budget authority other law grants to the department during that period, the Department of State Health Services may use \$500,000 in capital budget authority for the appropriations made by Subsection (a) of this section, if any.

(c) During the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2025, in addition to the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) employees other law authorizes the department to employ during that period, the Department of State Health Services may employ 16.0 FTE employees out of money appropriated by Subsection (a) of this section, if any.

Explanation: The change is necessary to appropriate money to the Department of State Health Services, and authorize the department to take other actions necessary, to implement the provisions of **SB 1** or similar legislation of the 89th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 2025, relating to campground and youth camp safety.

(2) House Rule 13, Section 9(a)(1), is suspended to permit the committee to change, alter, or amend text not in disagreement in proposed SECTION 6(a) of the bill, by changing the effective date to read as follows:

(a) Subject to Subsection (b) of this section, this Act takes effect immediately.

Explanation: The change is necessary to provide for an immediate effective date.

**HR 174** was adopted by (Record 160): 127 Yeas, 1 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Allen; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Canales; Capriglione; Cole; Collier; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Davis, A.; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Garcia Hernandez; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Hinojosa; Holt; Hopper; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; Manuel; Martinez; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Meza; Money; Moody; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Raymond; Richardson; 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; Zwiener.



Nays — Harrison.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Hernandez; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Campos; Cortez; Gámez; Garcia, J.; Johnson; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Plesa; Rodríguez Ramos.

### **SB 5 - CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ADOPTED**

Without objection, Representative Bonnen submitted the conference committee report on **SB 5**.

Representative Bonnen moved to adopt the conference committee report on **SB 5**.

The motion to adopt the conference committee report on **SB 5** prevailed by (Record 161): 129 Yeas, 0 Nays, 2 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Allen; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bernal; Bhojani; Bonnen; Bowers; Bryant; Buckley; Bucy; Bumgarner; Button; Cain; Canales; Capriglione; Cole; Collier; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; Davis, A.; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dutton; Dyson; Fairly; Flores; Frank; Gámez; Garcia Hernandez; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; González, M.; Goodwin; Guillen; Harless; Harris; Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Hinojosa; Holt; Hopper; Howard; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Johnson; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; LaHood; Lalani; Lambert; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Longoria; Lopez, J.; Lopez, R.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; Luther; Manuel; Martinez; McLaughlin; McQueeney; Metcalf; Meyer; Meza; Money; Moody; Morgan; Muñoz; Noble; Olcott; Oliverson; Orr; Patterson; Paul; Perez, M.; Perez, V.; Phelan; Pierson; Raymond; Richardson; Romero; 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; Zwiener.

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

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Hernandez; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Campos; Cortez; Garcia, J.; Morales, C.; Ordaz; Plesa; Rodríguez Ramos.

The chair stated that **SB 5** was passed subject to the provisions of Article III, Section 49a, of the Texas Constitution.

### STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 161 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted yes.

Rodríguez Ramos

When Record No. 161 was taken, I was shown voting present, not voting. I intended to vote yes.

Rose

### REASONS FOR VOTE

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

When the record vote to adopt the conference committee report for **SB 5** was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of this special session's redistricting scheme and the harm the proposed map would impose. I would have voted yes because **SB 5** makes critical investments in disaster preparedness and local infrastructure, like flood warning systems and emergency communications. These investments will help protect working families from the devastating impacts of extreme weather in our rapidly changing climate.

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

When the record vote to adopt the conference committee report for **SB 5** was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session called to pass a racially gerrymandered redistricting scheme. I would have voted yes because **SB 5** makes critical investments in disaster preparedness and local infrastructure, like flood warning systems and emergency communications. These investments will help protect working families from the devastating impacts of extreme weather in our rapidly changing climate.

### REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

Representative Hopper moved to print all remarks on **CSSB 1**.

The motion prevailed. [The text of the debate was not available at the time of printing.]

### HR 128 - ADOPTED (by Vasut)

The following resolution was laid before the house:

#### HR 128

WHEREAS, the house desires to adopt penalties to reduce the frequency with which members absent themselves without leave for the purpose of impeding the action of the house while ensuring that members' constitutional rights are protected, all penalties herein are proportional to the proscribed conduct, and members' constitutional responsibilities as legislators are not unfairly impaired; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 89th Legislature, that Rule 5, Section 3, of the permanent rules of the House of Representatives of the 89th Legislature is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE. (a) No member shall be absent from the sessions of the house without leave, and no member shall be excused on his or her own motion.

(b) A leave of absence may be granted by a majority vote of the house and may be revoked at any time by a similar vote.

(c) Any member granted a leave of absence due to a meeting of a committee or conference committee that has authority to meet while the house is in session shall be so designated on each roll call or registration for which that member is excused.

(d) If a member is absent without leave for the purpose of impeding the action of the house, the member is subject to one or more of the following:

(1) fines as provided by this section;

(2) payment of costs incurred by the sergeant-at-arms;

(3) reprimand;

(4) censure; ~~or~~

(5) recalculation of seniority as provided by this section;

(6) loss of designation of appointment as a chair or vice-chair as provided by this section;

(7) expulsion in the manner prescribed by Section 11, Article III, Texas Constitution; or

(8) any other penalty allowed by the house rules in accordance with Section 10, Article III, Texas Constitution, and this section.

(e) Unless the house excuses the payment by a majority vote, each member who is absent without leave is liable to the house for:

(1) a fine in an ~~the~~ amount equal to three times the per diem set by the Texas Ethics Commission for each day of a regular or special legislative session under Section 24a(e), Article III, Texas Constitution ~~of \$500~~ for each calendar day of absence; and

(2) the member's pro rata share of the costs incurred by the sergeant-at-arms to secure the attendance of absentees.

(e-1) (1) Unless the house excuses the following penalty, each member who is absent without leave while the house is operating under a call ordered under this rule shall forfeit the pro rata portion of the member's monthly operating budget for each calendar day of absence.

(2) If a penalty under this subsection is not excused, the Committee on House Administration shall direct the House Business Office to debit the member's operating budget by the amount calculated under this subsection.

(e-2) (1) Unless the house excuses the following penalty by a majority vote, each member who is absent without leave for at least two consecutive days while the house is operating under a call ordered under this rule loses the member's designation under Rule 1, Section 15(a), and Rule 4, Section 2(a)(7), appointment under Rule 1, Section 15(d), and appointment under Rule 4, Section 44, as a chair or vice-chair.

(2) If a penalty under this subsection is not excused: (A) a member losing a designation or appointment is not eligible for a new designation or appointment until the convening of the next legislature; and,

(B) the speaker or appointing authority, as applicable, may designate or appoint a new chair or vice-chair in the same manner as the original designation or appointment.

(e-3) (1) Unless the house excuses the following penalty by a majority vote, each member who is absent without leave for at least three consecutive days while the house is operating under a call ordered under this rule shall have the member's seniority under Rule 3, Section 14(a)(6), and Rule 4, Section 2(3), recalculated to reduce the member's seniority by two (2) years for each calendar day of absence.

(2) If a penalty under this subsection is not excused: (A) the chief clerk shall revise the roster prepared under Rule 2, Section 1(b)(5), to reflect all recalculated seniority; and

(B) if a member's recalculated seniority falls below another member, the Committee on House Administration may allow members to re-select offices and parking spaces based on recalculated seniority.

(f) The Committee on House Administration shall notify a member of the total amount of fines and costs for which payment is not excused. A member must pay the amount stated in the committee's notice by making payment of that amount to the House Business Office not later than the third business day of the first calendar month after the date of the committee's notice. A member may not make any payment from funds in the member's operating account or from funds accepted as political contributions under Title 15, Election Code. If a member does not make full payment as required by this subsection, the committee shall direct the House Business Office to reduce the amount of the monthly credit to the member's operating account established under the housekeeping resolution by 30 percent in each month that any amount of a fine remains past due and owing. When a member has made full payment as required by this subsection, the committee shall direct the House Business Office to restore the impounded funds to the member's operating account subject to any limitations on the carrying forward of unexpended funds established by the housekeeping resolution.

(g) Before a member is expelled under this section, the matter shall be referred to the Committee on House Administration for investigation and report. A report issued under this subsection shall not be considered by the house until a printed copy of the report has been provided to each member of the house at least 24 hours before consideration.

(h) Before a penalty described by Subsection (d)(8) may be imposed against a member absent without leave:

(1) the Committee on House Administration must adopt a motion identifying the specific penalty that will be imposed if a member who is currently absent without leave does not return to the house;

(2) the member must fail to return to the house within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving written notice of the adoption of a motion under Subdivision (1); and,

(3) the proposed penalty must be referred to the Committee on House Administration for investigation and report subject to the same restrictions set forth in Subsection (g).

(Harris in the chair)

#### **Amendment No. 1**

Representatives Vasut and Schofield offered the following amendment to **HR 128**:

Amend **HR 128** (house committee report) as follows:

(1) On page 2, line 7, following the underlined semicolon, insert "or".

(2) On page 2, line 9, strike "; or" and substitute a period.

(3) On page 2, strike lines 10 through 12.

(4) On page 5, strike lines 2 through 13 and substitute the following:

(h) The penalties prescribed by this section are not exclusive and this section does not preclude the imposition of any other penalty allowed by the house rules or the Texas Constitution.

#### **REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED**

Representative Gervin-Hawkins moved to print all remarks on **HR 128**.

The motion prevailed. [The text of the debate was not available at the time of printing.]

(Landgraf in the chair)

Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

#### **Amendment No. 2**

Representative Hopper offered the following amendment to **HR 128**:

Amend **HR 128** by inserting the following appropriately numbered section after Subsection (e-3) of added Rule 5, Section 3, Texas House Rules, and renumbering subsequent subsections and cross references accordingly:

(e-4) (1) Each member who was absent without leave for the purposed of impeding the action of the house during the 89th Legislature or any of its special sessions shall not be eligible to accrue seniority for the duration of the 89th Legislative Session.

#### **Amendment No. 2 - Point of Order**

Representative Moody raised a point of order against further consideration of Amendment No. 2 under Rule 11, Section 2, of the House Rules.

(Harris in the chair)

The speaker sustained the point of order, announcing his decision to the house as follows:

Mr. Moody raises a point of order against further consideration of the Hopper Amendment to **HR 128** under Rule 11, Section 2, on the grounds that the amendment is not germane.

As explained by the author on the front microphone, the resolution would amend the House Rules of Procedure prospectively to impose additional penalties on members who are absent without leave for the purpose of impeding the action of the house. The amendment would apply these additional penalties retroactively. The subject of the resolution is to adopt penalties for future conduct, and the subject of the amendment is to effectively impose penalties for prior conduct. The amendment is not on the same subject as the resolution and thus is not germane. See 86 H. Jour. 1758-1759 (2019).

Accordingly, the point of order is well-taken and sustained.

The ruling precluded further consideration of Amendment No. 2.

### **Amendment No. 3**

Representative Turner offered the following amendment to **HR 128**:

Amend **HR 128** (house committee report) on page 1, line 9, between "that" and "Rule 5" by inserting ", effective on the date legislation to expand eligibility for Medicaid to all persons in this state for whom federal matching money is available becomes law,".

### **Amendment No. 3 - Point of Order**

Representative Little raised a point of order against further consideration of Amendment No. 3 under Rule 11, Section 2, of the House Rules on the grounds that the amendment is not germane. The point of order was withdrawn.

Amendment No. 3 was withdrawn.

## **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. 4).

### **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. 3).

### **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. 4).

### **HR 128 - (consideration continued)**

**HR 128**, as amended, was adopted by (Record 162): 80 Yeas, 28 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Alders; Ashby; Barry; Bell, C.; Bell, K.; Bonnen; Buckley; Bumgarner; Button; Capriglione; Cook; Craddick; Cunningham; Curry; Darby; DeAyala; Dorazio; Dyson; Fairly; Gates; Gerdes; Geren; Guillen; Harris(C); Harris Davila; Harrison; Hayes; Hefner; Hickland; Holt; Hopper; Hull; Hunter; Isaac; Kerwin; King; Kitzman; Landgraf; Leach; Leo Wilson; Little; Lopez, J.; Louderback; Lowe; Lozano; Lujan; 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 — Bowers; Bryant; Bucy; Cole; Collier; Dutton; Garcia Hernandez; Gervin-Hawkins; González, J.; Goodwin; Hinojosa; Howard; Lalani; Lopez, R.; Manuel; Meza; Moody; Perez, V.; Raymond; Romero; Rose; Rosenthal; Simmons; Talarico; Turner; Walle; Ward Johnson; Zwiener.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker.

Absent, Excused — Anchía; Davis, Y.; Dean; Garcia, L.; Guerra; Hernandez; Jones, J.; Jones, V.; Martinez Fischer; Morales, E.; Morales Shaw; Reynolds.

Absent — Allen; Bernal; Bhojani; Cain; Campos; Canales; Cortez; Davis, A.; Flores; Frank; Gámez; Garcia, J.; González, M.; Harless; Johnson; LaHood; Lambert; Longoria; Luther; Martinez; Morales, C.; Muñoz; Ordaz; Perez, M.; Plesa; Rodríguez Ramos; Thompson; Vo; Wu.

#### STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 162 was taken, I was in the house but away from my desk. I would have voted no.

Bhojani

When Record No. 162 was taken, my vote failed to register. I would have voted yes.

LaHood

When Record No. 162 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted no.

C. Morales

When Record No. 162 was taken, I was in the house but away from my desk. I would have voted no.

M. Perez

When Record No. 162 was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session. I would have voted no.

Rodríguez Ramos

When Record No. 162 was taken, I was in the house but away from my desk. I would have voted no.

Wu

### REASONS FOR VOTE

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

When the record vote on **HR 128** was cast, I was away from my desk in protest of this special session's redistricting scheme and the harm the proposed map would impose. I would have voted no because **HR 128** is designed to punish lawmakers for standing up for their constituents by wielding financial threats and stripping leadership roles. Instead of limiting individual campaign contributions or banning political dark money, **HR 128** chases false "accountability" by suppressing civil disobedience and dissent by elected representatives. In a healthy democracy, protest is not a punishable offense.

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

When the record vote for **HR 128** was taken, I was away from my desk in protest of the special session called to pass a racially gerrymandered redistricting scheme. I would have voted no because **HR 128** is designed to punish lawmakers for standing up for their constituents by wielding financial threats and stripping leadership roles. Instead of limiting individual campaign contributions or banning political dark money, **HR 128** chases false "accountability" by suppressing civil disobedience and dissent by elected representatives. In a healthy democracy, protest is not a punishable offense.

### ADJOURNMENT

Representative Darby moved that the house adjourn until 11:10 p.m. today.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 11:03 p.m., adjourned until 11:10 p.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. 3**

**HCR 13**

**House List No. 4**

**HB 7, HB 8**

**Senate List No. 3**

**SB 54**



**Senate List No. 4**

**SB 8**

**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, September 3, 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 7**

Leach

SPONSOR: Hughes

Relating to prohibitions on the manufacture and provision of abortion-inducing drugs, including the jurisdiction of and effect of certain judgments by courts within and outside this state with respect to the manufacture and provision of those drugs, and to protections from certain counteractions under the laws of other states and jurisdictions; authorizing qui tam actions.

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

**SB 8**

(18 Yeas, 8 Nays)

Respectfully,

Patsy Spaw

Secretary of the Senate

**Message No. 2**

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE  
SENATE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Wednesday, September 3, 2025 - 2

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 20**

Darby

SPONSOR: Perry

(Committee Substitute)

### Message No. 3

Austin, Texas

Mr. Speaker:

THE SENATE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

## Message No. 4

Austin, Texas

Mr. Speaker:

SB 5 (26 Yeas, 0 Nays)

Respectfully,  
Patsy Spaw  
Secretary of the Senate