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PROCEEDINGS

THIRTY-SECOND DAY — TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2007

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 94).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Allen; Alonzo; Anchia; Anderson; Aycock; Bailey; Berman; Bohac; Bolton; Branch; Brown, B.; Brown, F.; Burnam; Callegari; Castro; Chavez; Chisum; Christian; Cohen; Coleman; Cook, B.; Cook, R.; Corte; Crabb; Creighton; Crownover; Darby; Davis, Y.; Delisi; Deshotel; Driver; Dukes; Dunnam; Dutton; Eiland; Eissler; Elkins; Escobar; Farabee; Farias; Flores; Flynn; Frost; Gattis; Geren; Giddings; Gonzales; Gonzalez Toureilles; Goolsby; Guillen; Haggerty; Hamilton; Hancock; Hardcastle; Harless; Harper-Brown; Heflin; Hernandez; Herrero; Hilderbran; Hill; Hochberg; Hodge; Homer; Hopson; Howard, C.; Howard, D.; Hughes; Isett; Jackson; Jones; Keffer; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Krusee; Kuempel; Latham; Laubenberg; Leibowitz; Lucio; Macias; Madden; Mallory Caraway; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McCall; McClendon; Menendez; Merritt; Miles; Miller; Moreno; Morrison; Murphy; Naishtat; Noriega; O'Day; Oliveira; Orr; Ortiz; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Paxton; Peña; Phillips; Pickett; Pierson; Pitts; Puente; Quintanilla; Raymond; Riddle; Ritter; Rodriguez; Rose; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solomons; Strama; Straus; Swinford; Talton; Taylor; Thompson; Truitt; Turner; Vaught; Veasey; Villarreal; West; Woolley; Zedler; Zerwas.

Absent, Excused — Gallego.

Absent — Bonnen; Davis, J.; England; Farrar; Garcia; Hartnett; Kolkhorst; McReynolds; Mowery; Olivo; Van Arsdale; Vo.

The invocation was offered by Pastor Terry Blankenship, First Baptist Church, Greenville, as follows:

Father, I come to you thanking you for the grace, mercy, and love you have revealed to us through your son. As we gather here today, may we, as Texans, remember the courage and sacrifice the 189 men of the Alamo made 171 years ago today. Their deaths kindled the birth of a great state. What an honor it is to walk in the footsteps of those renowned men.

Let us also take a few moments to remember the men and women who are bravely defending our country for the freedoms we enjoy and often take for granted. Thank you for their courage, bravery, and sacrifice. Grant them your

providential protection as they defend our nation. Bless the families who have lost a loved one in this conflict. Heal the wounds of their hearts, mend their broken lives, and give them your peace that passes understanding.

I also thank you for the privilege of standing before this distinguished house of representatives. May you grant them the wisdom and conviction to lead this state in a way that is pleasing to you. May they fulfill their responsibilities and do what is right and honorable for the people of this great State of Texas.

As we begin our duties, may we remember that every one of us shall one day stand before a great and living God to give an account of our lives. Help us to live and act in an honorable and selfless way. May we honor you and serve those who are the least. I pray all these things in the name of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS SUSPENDED

On motion of Representative Flynn and by unanimous consent, the reading and referral of bills was postponed until just prior to adjournment.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The speaker recognized Representative Martinez who presented Dr. Audrey Jones of Alamo as the "Doctor for the Day."

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

HR 704 - ADOPTED (by Martinez)

Representative Martinez moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 704**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 704, Honoring Dr. Audrey Jones for her service to the Texas Legislature as Physician of the Day for March 6, 2007.

HR 704 was read and was adopted.

(Hill in the chair)

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).

HCR 135 - ADOPTED (by Patrick and Rose)

Representative Patrick moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HCR 135**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HCR 135, Commending Special Olympics Texas and welcoming its athletes to the Capitol.

HCR 135 was read and was adopted.

(Bonnen and Vo now present)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Patrick who introduced officials of Special Olympics Texas.

(England now present)

HR 635 - ADOPTED

(by Heflin)

Representative Heflin moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 635**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 635, Recognizing March 6, 2007, as Cotton Day at the State Capitol.

HR 635 was read and was adopted.

(J. Davis now present)

HR 647 - ADOPTED

(by Gonzalez Toureilles)

Representative Gonzalez Toureilles moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 647**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 647, Recognizing March 6, 2007, as Goliad County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 647 was read and was adopted.

On motion of Representative Rodriguez, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 647** as signers thereof.

(Garcia now present)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Gonzalez Toureilles who introduced a delegation from Goliad County.

HR 281 - ADOPTED
(by Laubenberg)

Representative Laubenberg moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 281**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 281, In memory of John Buttrill King of Rockwall.

HR 281 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Kuempel, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 281** as signers thereof.

(Olivo and Van Arsdale now present)

HR 691 - ADOPTED
(by Pierson and Veasey)

Representative Pierson moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 691**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 691, In memory of Dwayne Freeto of Fort Worth.

HR 691 was read and was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Burnam, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 691** as signers thereof.

(Mowery now present)

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Pierson who introduced family members of Dwayne Freeto.

HR 649 - ADOPTED
(by S. King, et al.)

Representative S. King moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 649**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 649, Recognizing March 6, 2007, as Nurse Day at the State Capitol.

HR 649 was read and was adopted.

(Speaker in the chair)

On motion of Representative D. Howard, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 649** as signers thereof.

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 No. 11).

**HR 699 - ADOPTED
(by Dukes)**

Representative Dukes moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 699**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 699, Recognizing March 6, 2007, as Texas Film Industry Day at the State Capitol.

HR 699 was read and was adopted.

**EMERGENCY CALENDAR
HOUSE BILLS
THIRD READING**

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

**HB 8 ON THIRD READING
(by Riddle, Berman, Peña, Vaught, Escobar, et al.)**

HB 8, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the prosecution, punishment, and supervision of certain sex offenders and to certain crimes involving sex offenders.

(Kolkhorst and McReynolds now present)

A record vote was requested.

HB 8 was passed by (Record 95): 119 Yeas, 25 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Anchia; Anderson; Aycock; Bailey; Berman; Bohac; Bonnen; Branch; Brown, B.; Brown, F.; Callegari; Chavez; Chisum; Christian; Cook, B.; Cook, R.; Corte; Crabb; Creighton; Crownover; Darby; Davis, J.; Delisi; Deshotel; Driver; Dunnam; Eissler; Elkins; England; Escobar; Farabee; Farias; Flores; Flynn; Frost; Garcia; Gattis; Geren; Gonzales; Gonzalez Toureilles; Goolsby; Guillen; Haggerty; Hamilton; Hancock; Hardcastle; Harless; Harper-Brown; Heflin; Herrero; Hilderbran; Hill; Hochberg; Homer; Hopson; Howard, C.; Hughes; Jackson; Jones; Keffer; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Kolkhorst; Krusee; Kuempel; Latham; Laubenberg; Leibowitz; Lucio; Macias; Madden; Mallory Caraway; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McCall; McReynolds; Menendez; Merritt; Miller; Morrison; Mowery; Murphy; Noriega; O'Day; Oliveira; Orr; Ortiz; Otto; Parker; Patrick; Paxton; Peña; Phillips; Pitts; Quintanilla; Raymond; Riddle; Ritter; Rose; Smith, T.; Smith, W.; Smithee; Solomons; Strama; Straus; Swinford; Talton; Taylor; Truitt; Van Arsdale; Vaught; Veasey; Villarreal; Vo; West; Woolley; Zedler; Zerwas.

Nays — Allen; Alonzo; Bolton; Burnam; Castro; Cohen; Coleman; Davis, Y.; Dukes; Dutton; Eiland; Giddings; Hernandez; Hodge; Howard, D.; McClendon; Miles; Moreno; Naishtat; Olivo; Pickett; Puente; Rodriguez; Thompson; Turner.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Gallego.

Absent — Farrar; Hartnett; Isett; Pierson.

STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 95 was taken, I was temporarily out of the house chamber. I would have voted no.

Farrar

When Record No. 95 was taken, my vote failed to register. I would have voted yes.

Pierson

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

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

Olivo on motion of Hodge.

(Hartnett now present)

COMMITTEE GRANTED PERMISSION TO MEET

Representative Krusee requested permission for the Committee on Transportation to meet while the house is in session during bill referral, in E2.012, for a public hearing, to consider the remainder of the agenda.

Permission to meet was granted.

COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The following committee meeting was announced:

Local and Consent Calendars, 12 p.m. today, 4S.4, for a work session.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Representative Flores moved to suspend all necessary rules in order to take up and consider at this time **HR 678 - HR 684**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolutions were laid before the house:

HR 678 (by Flores, Peña, Martinez, and Gonzales), In memory of Lance Corporal Benito A. Ramirez of Edinburg.

HR 679 (by Flores, Martinez, Peña, and Gonzales), In memory of Lance Corporal Julio C. Cisneros-Alvarez of Pharr.

HR 680 (by Flores, Martinez, Peña, and Gonzales), In memory of Sergeant Juan Calderon, Jr., of Weslaco.

HR 681 (by Flores, Martinez, Peña, and Gonzales), In memory of U.S. Army Sergeant Daniel Lee Galvan.

HR 682 (by Flores, Gonzalez, Peña, and Martinez), In memory of U.S. Army Sergeant Javier Marin, Jr., of Mission.

HR 683 (by Flores, Martinez, Peña, and Gonzales), In memory of Army National Guard Sergeant Tomas Garces.

HR 684 (by Flores, Peña, Martinez, and Gonzales), In memory of U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Omar D. Flores of Mission.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Representative Gonzales, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 678 - HR 684** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The speaker recognized Representatives Flores, Martinez, Gonzales, and Peña who introduced family members of Lance Corporal Benito A. Ramirez, Lance Corporal Julio C. Cisneros-Alvarez, Sergeant Juan Calderon, Jr., U.S. Army Sergeant Daniel Lee Galvan, U.S. Army Sergeant Javier Marin, Jr., Army National Guard Sergeant Tomas Garces, and U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Omar D. Flores.

(Farrar now present)

COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The following committee meeting was announced:

Licensing and Administrative Procedures, 2 p.m. instead of upon adjournment today, E2.030 as posted, for a formal meeting.

PROVIDING FOR ADJOURNMENT

Representative Taylor moved that, at the conclusion of the reading of bills and resolutions on first reading and referral to committees, the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow in memory of Lance Corporal Benito A. Ramirez, Lance Corporal Julio C. Cisneros-Alvarez, Sergeant Juan Calderon, Jr., U.S. Army Sergeant Daniel Lee Galvan, U.S. Army Sergeant Javier Marin, Jr., Army National Guard Sergeant Tomas Garces, and U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Omar D. Flores, soldiers killed in the line of duty from Hidalgo County.

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 No. 1.)

(Corte in the chair)

ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with a previous motion, the house, at 11:57 a.m., adjourned 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 2102 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to the abolishment of the Office of State-Federal Relations as an independent agency and the transfer of the duties and functions of that agency to the office of the governor.

To Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations.

HB 2103 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to a pilot program to award scholarships to certain correctional officers enrolled at Sam Houston State University.

To Corrections.

HB 2104 (By Darby), Relating to the use of driver's license and social security numbers in certain court documents.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2105 (By Chisum), Relating to the issuance of disabled parking placards to certain veterans with disabilities.

To Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations.

HB 2106 (By Chisum), Relating to the regulation of barbering and cosmetology.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2107 (By Chavez), Relating to the establishment of debt management policies and guidelines by the Bond Review Board.

To Financial Institutions.

HB 2108 (By Puente), Relating to the deadline for the Parks and Wildlife Department, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and the Texas Water Development Board to complete priority instream flow studies of the state's rivers and streams.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2109 (By Puente), Relating to additional criminal law magistrates in Bexar County.

To Judiciary.

HB 2110 (By Zedler), Relating to the eligibility of a registered sex offender to vote.

To Elections.

HB 2111 (By Patrick), Relating to requiring flashing lights to be posted in school crossing zones.

To Transportation.

HB 2112 (By Patrick), Relating to banning handguns and certain other weapons from parking areas associated with schools or educational institutions; providing criminal penalties.

To Law Enforcement.

HB 2113 (By Patrick), Relating to eligibility of a public school student for a public education grant.

To Public Education.

HB 2114 (By Corte), Relating to short-term revenue bonds in certain metropolitan rapid transit authorities.

To Transportation.

HB 2115 (By Frost), Relating to a defendant's eligibility for deferred adjudication of certain intoxication offenses.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2116 (By Parker), Relating to health benefit plan coverage for home defibrillators.

To Public Health.

HB 2117 (By Parker), Relating to the liability of certain persons who administer emergency care.

To Civil Practices.

HB 2118 (By Pickett), Relating to licensing and regulation of residential fire alarm technicians and regulation of fire detection and alarm devices.

To Insurance.

HB 2119 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to the issuance of certain search warrants by certain municipal courts.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2120 (By Deshotel), Relating to the wages credited to an individual for the purpose of computing the individual's unemployment compensation benefits.

To Economic Development.

HB 2121 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to the amount of hazardous duty pay for certain state employees.

To Appropriations.

HB 2122 (By Cohen), Relating to payment for indigent health care.

To Public Health.

HB 2123 (By Cohen), Relating to certain sexually oriented businesses and the funding of and appropriations from the sexual assault program fund; providing a civil penalty.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2124 (By Cohen), Relating to imposing a fee on admissions to certain sexually oriented businesses.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2125 (By Swinford), Relating to professional staff salaries paid by certain school districts.

To Public Education.

HB 2126 (By Murphy), Relating to the information collected through the Public Education Information Management System.

To Public Education.

HB 2127 (By Murphy), Relating to the operation of all-terrain vehicles in connection with utility work.

To Transportation.

HB 2128 (By Murphy), Relating to sexual abuse and child molestation prevention training for certain public or private institutions of higher education employees and volunteers who work at programs for minors.

To Higher Education.

HB 2129 (By Noriega), Relating to abolishing the Texas Military Facilities Commission and transferring its functions to the adjutant general.

To Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations.

HB 2130 (By Noriega), Relating to hunting and fishing license fee exemptions for certain members of the armed forces.

To Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations.

HB 2131 (By Noriega), Relating to service and disability retirement benefits and death benefits for rescue specialists.

To Pensions and Investments.

HB 2132 (By Straus), Relating to the creation of a diabetes mellitus registry pilot program.

To Public Health.

HB 2133 (By Darby), Relating to a person who is entitled to claim a lien on certain assets.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2134 (By Chisum), Relating to the regulation of certain consumer lenders.

To Financial Institutions.

HB 2135 (By Hancock), Relating to the use of certain terms to describe benefits for dental care services.

To Insurance.

HB 2136 (By Hancock), Relating to public disclosure of student referrals for services made by counselors in public schools.

To Public Education.

HB 2137 (By Paxton), Relating to ad valorem tax lien transfers.

To Financial Institutions.

HB 2138 (By Paxton), Relating to regulation of property tax lenders; providing a penalty.

To Financial Institutions.

HB 2139 (By Rose), Relating to retaliation for reports of possible abuse, neglect, or exploitation of certain persons receiving home and community-based services.

To Human Services.

HB 2140 (By Rose), Relating to child protective services.

To Human Services.

HB 2141 (By Rose), Relating to student members of the board of regents of a state university or state university system.

To Higher Education.

HB 2142 (By Rodriguez), Relating to the fraudulent advertising of pregnancy-related medical services; providing penalties.

To State Affairs.

HB 2143 (By Rodriguez), Relating to the Texas Global Warming Solutions Act; imposing a fee.

To Environmental Regulation.

HB 2144 (By Flores), Relating to the regulation of the practice of public accountancy by certain out-of-state license holders.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2145 (By Laubenberg), Relating to designating the Donor Education, Awareness, and Registry Program of Texas as the Glenda Dawson Donate Life-Texas Registry.

To Public Health.

HB 2146 (By Bohac), Relating to assignment of points for a conviction involving failure to secure a child by a safety belt.

To Transportation.

HB 2147 (By Bohac), Relating to exempting fuel ethanol blended with gasoline from the motor fuels tax.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2148 (By Bohac), Relating to an exemption from the sales tax for renewable energy technology.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2149 (By Bohac), Relating to the authority of certain municipalities that elect the members of the municipal governing body wholly or partly from single-member districts.

To Elections.

HB 2150 (By Bohac), Relating to the administration of the low income housing tax credit program by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2151 (By Bohac), Relating to the prosecution and adjudication of the offense of graffiti and to the payment and use of a juvenile delinquency prevention fee.

To Criminal Jurisprudence.

HB 2152 (By Bohac), Relating to the construction or operation of chemical dependency treatment facilities near certain residential and community properties.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2153 (By McClendon), Relating to the right of an employee to time off from work to participate in certain school-related activities of the employee's child.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2154 (By McClendon), Relating to the imposition of a lien on property to recover certain medical assistance.

To Human Services.

HB 2155 (By Escobar), Relating to the use of grant money received from the criminal justice division of the governor's office.

To Border and International Affairs.

HB 2156 (By Escobar), Relating to limitations on the compensation of county auditors for certain counties.

To County Affairs.

HB 2157 (By McReynolds), Relating to an educational campaign to promote awareness of requirements for criminal justice agencies to report and disseminate information about threats against peace officers and detention officers.

To Law Enforcement.

HB 2158 (By McReynolds), Relating to nursing peer review and the regulation of the practice of nursing.

To Public Health.

HB 2159 (By McReynolds), Relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties, functions, operations, and financing of the San Jacinto Special Utility District.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2160 (By Flores), Relating to eliminating the limitation on lottery advertising expenses based on the lottery prize payout percentage.

To Licensing and Administrative Procedures.

HB 2161 (By Farrar), Relating to providing information and other services relating to emergency contraception to sexual assault survivors.

To Public Health.

HB 2162 (By Harless), Relating to the content of public school campus improvement plans.

To Public Education.

HB 2163 (By Harless), Relating to the definition of automotive wrecking and salvage yard.

To Transportation.

HB 2164 (By Guillen), Relating to the creation of a technology center grant program for rural counties.

To Border and International Affairs.

HB 2165 (By Villarreal), Relating to the authority to approve schools of nursing.

To Higher Education.

HB 2166 (By Bailey), Relating to creation and operation of a pilot program for certain voluntary alternative agreements regarding compensable injuries.

To Business and Industry.

HB 2167 (By Rodriguez), Relating to the authority of a person to charge a fee for assisting another person in applying for a residence homestead tax exemption; imposing a civil penalty.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2168 (By Hill), Relating to the powers of municipal and county hospital authorities and hospital districts created under general or special law.

To Judiciary.

HB 2169 (By Coleman), Relating to making an appropriation to the Texas Medical Board for the purpose of hiring additional licensing staff and enhancing the board's information system capabilities.

To Appropriations.

HB 2170 (By Coleman), Relating to making an appropriation to the Texas Medical Board for the purpose of enforcement activities and to repay a deficiency grant.

To Appropriations.

HB 2171 (By Swinford), Relating to the first day of instruction in school districts whose prospective or former students generally attend certain grades in another state.

To Public Education.

HB 2172 (By Ritter), Relating to the acceptance of political contributions by candidates for and holders of state executive and legislative offices and by specific-purpose committees related to those candidates and officeholders and to the reporting of political contributions and expenditures by those candidates, officeholders, and committees and by general-purpose committees; providing a criminal penalty.

To Elections.

HB 2173 (By B. Cook), Relating to the continuation and functions of the Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board.

To Higher Education.

HB 2174 (By Bonnen), Relating to excluding the transportation of gas to and from a liquefied natural gas marine terminal from being considered a gas utility.

To Energy Resources.

HB 2175 (By Deshotel), Relating to the operation of urban land bank demonstration programs by certain municipalities.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2176 (By Deshotel), Relating to a parenting and paternity awareness component of the high school health curriculum.

To Public Education.

HB 2177 (By Deshotel), Relating to state coordination of transportation services for certain clients of health and human services agencies.

To Human Services.

HB 2178 (By Deshotel), Relating to the legislature's goal for electric generation capacity using combined heat and power technology.

To Regulated Industries.

HB 2179 (By Deshotel), Relating to compensation of Texas Department of Transportation employees for certain compensatory time.

To Appropriations.

HB 2180 (By Crabb), Relating to the creation of the offense of criminal trespass by illegal aliens and to certain procedures for arresting illegal aliens suspected of committing criminal offenses.

To State Affairs.

HB 2181 (By Crabb), Relating to a late fee charged in connection with the inspection of a vehicle with an invalid inspection certificate.

To Transportation.

HB 2182 (By Crabb), Relating to the regulation of fireworks by certain populous counties; providing a criminal penalty.

To County Affairs.

HB 2183 (By Geren), Relating to public school safety and the safety plan of a campus.

To Public Education.

HB 2184 (By Dukes), Relating to the right of certain municipalities to maintain local control over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment.

To Urban Affairs.

HB 2185 (By Woolley), Relating to liability for the refund of certain unemployment compensation benefits to the Texas Workforce Commission.

To Economic Development.

HB 2186 (By Woolley), Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of property owned by certain nonprofit corporations that provide chilled water and steam to certain health-related institutions of this state.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2187 (By Hartnett), Relating to the development, management, and preservation of the water resources of the state.

To Natural Resources.

HB 2188 (By Paxton), Relating to the exception of certain ad valorem tax appraisal information from required disclosure under the public information law.

To Local Government Ways and Means.

HB 2189 (By Escobar), Relating to the use of grant money received from the criminal justice division of the governor's office.

To Border and International Affairs.

HB 2190 (By Truitt), Relating to eligibility to serve as executive director of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

To Pensions and Investments.

HB 2191 (By Eiland), Relating to unencumbered surplus or guaranty fund requirements for certain insurance companies.

To Insurance.

HB 2192 (By Eiland), Relating to venue in civil actions brought under the federal Employers' Liability Act or the Jones Act.

To Civil Practices.

HB 2193 (By Eiland), Relating to the applicability to certain school districts of provisions related to the equalized wealth level and state aid for property tax reduction.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2194 (By McCall), Relating to the late filing of a special report of political contributions and expenditures; providing a civil penalty.

To Elections.

HB 2195 (By McCall), Relating to the time of day by which a report must be filed electronically with the Texas Ethics Commission.

To Elections.

HB 2196 (By McCall), Relating to the imposition and collection of an ad valorem tax recovery fee by persons engaged in the business of leasing or renting certain vehicles, machinery, or equipment and to the ad valorem taxation of the inventory of a heavy equipment dealer.

To Ways and Means.

HB 2197 (By Eissler), Relating to the establishment of regional participation agreements between certain municipalities and special districts.

To Land and Resource Management.

HB 2198 (By Flores), Relating to authorizing certain public junior colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs.

To Higher Education.

HB 2199 (By Taylor), Relating to payment of physicians and health care providers for care provided to persons covered by certain health benefit plans.

To Insurance.

HB 2200 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to the submission of annual reports by farm mutual insurance companies.

To Insurance.

HB 2201 (By Kolkhorst), Relating to the creation of a judicial district composed of Grimes and Waller Counties, the composition of the 9th, 12th, and 278th Judicial Districts, the district attorneys for the 12th and 278th Judicial Districts, and the juvenile board of Leon County.

To Judiciary.

HB 2202 (By Farabee), Relating to eligibility for coverage under the Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool.

To Insurance.

SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

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

Senate List No. 11

SCR 29

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following message from the senate was today received by the house:

Message No. 1

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE
SENATE CHAMBER
Austin, Texas
Tuesday, March 6, 2007

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:

SCR 30

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Recognizing May 5, 2007, as Parliamentary Law Day at the State Capitol.

Respectfully,

Patsy Spaw

Secretary of the Senate

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees as follows:

March 5

Criminal Jurisprudence - **HB 284**

Public Education - **HB 121, HB 208, HB 482, HB 708, HB 958, HB 978**

Ways and Means - **HB 261, HB 316, HB 373**

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

March 5 - HCR 58, HCR 68, HCR 71, HCR 76, HCR 84, HCR 86, HCR 88, HCR 89

