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PROCEEDINGS

FORTY-FOURTH DAY — TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2015

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 167).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anchia; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Ashby; Aycocock; Bell; Bernal; Blanco; Bohac; Bonnen, D.; Bonnen, G.; Burkett; Burns; Burrows; Button; Canales; Capriglione; Clardy; Coleman; Collier; Cook; Craddick; Crownover; Cyrier; Dale; Darby; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Dukes; Dutton; Elkins; Faircloth; Fallon; Farias; Farney; Farrar; Fletcher; Flynn; Frank; Frullo; Galindo; Geren; Giddings; Goldman; Gonzales; González; Guerra; Guillen; Gutierrez; Harless; Hernandez; Herrero; Howard; Huberty; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Israel; Kacal; Keffer; Keough; King, K.; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Klick; Koop; Krause; Kuempel; Landgraf; Larson; Laubenberg; Leach; Longoria; Lozano; Lucio; Márquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McClendon; Metcalf; Meyer; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, R.; Moody; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Murr; Naishtat; Oliveira; Otto; Paddie; Parker; Paul; Peña; Phelan; Phillips; Pickett; Price; Raney; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Rinaldi; Rodriguez, E.; Rodriguez, J.; Romero; Rose; Sanford; Schaefer; Schofield; Schubert; Shaheen; Sheets; Sheffield; Simmons; Simpson; Smith; Smithee; Spitzer; Springer; Stephenson; Stickland; Thompson, E.; Thompson, S.; Tinderholt; Turner, C.; Turner, E.S.; Turner, S.; VanDeaver; Villalba; Vo; Walle; White, J.; White, M.; Workman; Wray; Wu; Zedler; Zerwas.

Absent, Excused — Johnson.

Absent — Nevárez.

The speaker recognized Representative Burns who introduced Dr. Daniel E. Crosby, senior pastor, First Baptist Church, Cleburne, who offered the invocation as follows:

Our Father, thank you for this day of life and for the freedom to enjoy it. We are enjoying the burst of new life this spring, especially the blue eruption of our state flower enhancing our landscapes. We are so thankful for the aesthetic feast you have spread before us. The beauty with which you surround us is indescribable and awe-inspiring. There is no one else like you.

I thank you for the members of this body. I pray for them and the work they will do today and every day. Thank you that we live in a country where we can vote and elect men and women to represent us as free citizens. May you guide their decisions and lead them as they promote freedom, justice, mercy, and moral

integrity in our society. Please let the glory of the Lord that fills the whole earth be evident to and through these men and women and in their deliberations and decisions. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

The speaker recognized Representative Rose 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 important business in the district:

Johnson on motion of Alvarado.

CAPITOL PHYSICIAN

The speaker recognized Representative Raymond who presented Dr. Luis Benavides of Laredo as the "Doctor for the Day."

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

(Kuempel in the chair)

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS SUSPENDED

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

HR 1822 - ADOPTED

(by Rose)

Representative Rose moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1822**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1822, Recognizing April 7, 2015, as Red and White Day at the State Capitol in honor of the advocacy efforts of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

HR 1822 was adopted.

On motion of Representatives Reynolds, McClendon, and S. Turner, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 1822** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Rose who introduced representatives of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

(Nevárez now present)

HR 1427 - ADOPTED
(by Fletcher)

Representative Fletcher moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1427**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1427, Recognizing the success of the Sanchez family and the Caboots boot company of El Paso.

HR 1427 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Faircloth, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 1427** as signers thereof.

HR 1509 - ADOPTED
(by T. King)

Representative T. King moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1509**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1509, Recognizing April 7, 2015, as Zavala County Day at the State Capitol.

HR 1509 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Nevárez, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 1509** as signers thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative T. King who introduced a delegation from Zavala County.

HR 99 - PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED
(by C. Turner)

The chair laid out and had read the following previously adopted resolution:

HR 99, In memory of Dr. Richard Earl Morris of Arlington.

On motion of Representative Geren, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 99** as signers thereof.

HR 1828 - ADOPTED
(by Burns)

Representative Burns moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1828**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1828, Welcoming the Cleburne Chamber of Commerce and the Tuesday Forum to the State Capitol.

HR 1828 was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The chair recognized Representative Burns who introduced representatives of the Cleburne Chamber of Commerce and the Tuesday Forum.

HR 1788 - ADOPTED (by Faircloth)

Representative Faircloth moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1788**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1788, Welcoming members of Leadership Mainland to the State Capitol.

HR 1788 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Smith, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 1788** as signers thereof.

HR 1711 - ADOPTED (by Button and Burkett)

Representative Button moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1711**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1711, Commemorating the dedication of an Official Texas Historical Marker recognizing the Travis College Hill Addition in Garland.

HR 1711 was adopted.

On motion of Representative Burkett, the names of all the members of the house were added to **HR 1711** as signers thereof.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS CALENDAR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS SECOND READING

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

HJR 8 ON SECOND READING (by Otto, Aycock, Darby, Pickett, Simmons, et al.)

HJR 8, A joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to dedicate certain money to the purpose of retiring state debt early.

HJR 8 was adopted by (Record 168): 142 Yeas, 2 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anchia; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Ashby; Aycock; Bell; Bernal; Blanco; Bohac; Bonnen, D.; Bonnen, G.; Burkett; Burns; Burrows; Button; Canales; Capriglione; Clardy; Coleman; Collier; Cook; Craddick; Crownover; Cyrier; Dale; Darby; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Dutton; Elkins; Faircloth; Fallon; Farias; Farney; Fletcher; Flynn; Frank; Frullo; Galindo; Geren; Giddings; Goldman; Gonzales; González; Guerra; Guillen; Gutierrez; Harless; Hernandez; Herrero; Howard; Huberty; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Israel; Kacal; Keffer; Keough; King, K.; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Klick; Koop; Krause; Kuempel(C); Landgraf; Larson; Laubenberg; Leach; Longoria; Lozano; Lucio; Márquez; Martínez; Martínez Fischer; Metcalf; Meyer; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, R.; Moody; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Murr; Naishtat; Nevárez; Oliveira; Otto; Paddie; Parker; Paul; Peña; Phelan; Phillips; Pickett; Price; Raney; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Rinaldi; Rodriguez, E.; Rodriguez, J.; Romero; Sanford; Schaefer; Schofield; Schubert; Shaheen; Sheets; Sheffield; Simmons; Simpson; Smith; Smithee; Spitzer; Springer; Stephenson; Stickland; Thompson, E.; Tinderholt; Turner, C.; Turner, E.S.; Turner, S.; VanDeaver; Villalba; Vo; Walle; White, J.; White, M.; Workman; Wray; Wu; Zedler; Zerwas.

Nays — Rose; Thompson, S.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker.

Absent, Excused — Johnson.

Absent — Dukes; Farrar; McClendon.

STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 168 was taken, I was shown voting yes. I intended to vote no.

Anchia

When Record No. 168 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

Rose

When Record No. 168 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

S. Thompson

GENERAL STATE CALENDAR HOUSE BILLS SECOND READING

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

HB 8 ON SECOND READING (by Otto, et al.)

HB 8, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the deposit of money received from the federal government.

(Speaker in the chair)

HB 8 was passed to engrossment by (Record 169): 143 Yeas, 2 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anchia; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Ashby; Aycock; Bell; Bernal; Blanco; Bohac; Bonnen, D.; Bonnen, G.; Burkett; Burns; Burrows; Button; Canales; Capriglione; Clardy; Coleman; Collier; Cook; Craddick; Crownover; Cyrier; Dale; Darby; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Dutton; Elkins; Faircloth; Fallon; Farias; Farney; Farrar; Fletcher; Flynn; Frank; Frullo; Galindo; Geren; Giddings; Goldman; Gonzales; González; Guerra; Guillen; Gutierrez; Harless; Hernandez; Herrero; Howard; Huberty; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Israel; Kacal; Keffer; Keough; King, K.; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Klick; Koop; Krause; Kuempel; Landgraf; Larson; Laubenberg; Leach; Longoria; Lozano; Lucio; Márquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; Metcalf; Meyer; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, R.; Moody; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Murr; Naishtat; Nevárez; Oliveira; Otto; Paddie; Parker; Paul; Peña; Phelan; Phillips; Pickett; Price; Raney; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Rinaldi; Rodriguez, E.; Rodriguez, J.; Romero; Sanford; Schaefer; Schofield; Schubert; Shaheen; Sheets; Sheffield; Simmons; Simpson; Smith; Smithee; Spitzer; Springer; Stephenson; Stickland; Thompson, E.; Tinderholt; Turner, C.; Turner, E.S.; Turner, S.; VanDeaver; Villalba; Vo; Walle; White, J.; White, M.; Workman; Wray; Wu; Zedler; Zerwas.

Nays — Rose; Thompson, S.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Johnson.

Absent — Dukes; McClendon.

STATEMENTS OF VOTE

When Record No. 169 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

Rose

When Record No. 169 was taken, I was shown voting no. I intended to vote yes.

S. Thompson

HJR 8 - REMARKS

REPRESENTATIVE COLEMAN: The way we deal with the economic stabilization fund—what would be good is if you gave an explanation of how the money goes there, the caps coming down, and the spillover used to go into general revenue, not dedicated, and what you're actually doing with that.

REPRESENTATIVE OTTO: Yes. Actually, there's never been a spillover, we're still, under current law, we're still over \$4 billion away from a balance that would cause a spillover. As a result—let's talk about **HJR 8** and **HB 8** now in conjunction. **HJR 8** basically says when the spillover occurs that basically that spillover would be dedicated for early retirement of debt which would free up general revenue that's being used for that debt service. With **HB 8** what we essentially did now was go back to the original intent of the cap on the economic

stabilization fund, which when that bill was passed it was 10 percent of the deposits into general revenue accounts for the previous year. At that time, federal funds were not deposited into the general revenue fund, Fund 1. When funds consolidation came along later in the 1990s, it allowed for federal funds to be deposited into the general revenue fund. The explanation before the Appropriations Committee was that was not the intent, nobody was paying attention because we didn't have that much money in the rainy day fund, but it changed the calculation of the cap. So the reason I filed **HJR 8** was I knew I was going to file **HB 8** because federal money should not be co-mingled with state revenue in Fund 1; it should be separate like it used to be.

COLEMAN: Right and that federal money, if I'm not mistaken, was going into the calculation of the cap.

OTTO: It was. Because of the definition of the cap being deposits into the general revenue fund, that federal money, essentially, was being taken into account when calculating the current cap.

COLEMAN: Well, Mr. Chairman, I know that we were moving in a direction of not having dedicated funds as a part of everything that we do because that moves money that could be used for certain things and clearly keeps that from being used. But that's offset, I think you said, by the general revenue that's freed up based on the calculation change.

OTTO: Representative Coleman, I will tell you there were a lot of options to think about how should those funds be used in a one-time way, because you can't count on that spillover every biennium. And there were several, there are other bills out there I know that deal with this spillover. The reason I came up with the retirement was we had funded a lot of transportation in this state over the last several biennia with borrowed money. This gives us the option to early retire that when it's eligible to be called and it frees up the general revenue on that debt service.

COLEMAN: Well, particularly when it comes to transportation, it's imperative that we retire that debt earlier than it would be because otherwise we don't have any transportation funds.

REPRESENTATIVE MARTINEZ FISCHER: Mr. Chairman, I think I understand the genesis of the two bills combined and just for my lay understanding, I'm not on Appropriations, but essentially when you combine **HJR 8** and **HB 8** that we just passed we are simply lowering the cap on the ESF back down to a previous level and then we're taking the excess of that cap, provided that the voters approve of it, to use to go into a constitutionally dedicated account to pay down debt. Is that correct?

OTTO: That's basically correct.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: So you feel—the way we should do this will achieve a couple of purposes; number one, it would have a constitutional dedication of money that we can use for a purpose like paying down debt and at the same time clarify, go fix some accounting if you will, to account for just a state contribution to the monies in the ESF?

OTTO: That's correct. You know it was unintended at the time. Our committee heard from Dale Craymer, who was a staff person at the time the ESF was passed, and he basically gave us a whole history timeline of what happened. When the ESF was passed, it was 10 percent of the money deposited into general revenue and at that time federal money was not deposited into general revenue. It was later in the 1990s when the funds consolidation bill was passed that allowed for federal money to be deposited in there, but nobody thought at the time well, wait a minute, that changes the calculation of the cap. All I'm trying to do with these two bills that we've passed is to go back to what was originally intended in the calculation of the cap.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: So then, to your knowledge, should this pass and be approved by the voters, you take this dedication into account then we have the dedication as a result of Proposition 1. Is there anything else that is tapping into the ESF that I just can't recall at the moment?

OTTO: I don't look at this as tapping into the ESF. This is money that would spillover a cap.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: That's correct, let me restate that. Other than this attempt to capture the excess of the cap on the ESF and the monies appropriated under Proposition 1, is there anything else that I'm not thinking about?

OTTO: Nothing else that I'm aware of that affects the economic stabilization fund.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: When we do this we're still talking about an ESF account that could have, you know, almost \$12 billion before we start seeing excess?

OTTO: I think that it's projected to reach \$11 billion by the end of the next biennium. Now you're getting close to what that cap would be under **HB 8** changes.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: And is there any discussion or anything that you're contemplating as chairman of Appropriations of when we might think about considering, as a body, how to make strategic, proper, and necessary investments with the ESF funds that we will have under the cap?

OTTO: Actually, I have signed onto a bill that Representative Capriglione will be bringing before the body that deals with the investment of some of the economic stabilization funds.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: I think I'm familiar with that. That's in terms of investments to use that fund as an investment tool. I'm talking more along the lines of infrastructure investments or human capacity investments. Is there anything that you're contemplating?

OTTO: All of those bills—I know there are bills out there that deal with what I'm going to call a one-time transfer or a one-time expenditure. I understand we could come back next session and have to actually use some of the rainy day fund if our economy does not perform at the level that it has for the last two years.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: And just because what I'm seeing is, nothing official, but there's just discussions about perhaps seeing another revenue estimate somewhere down the road because of the economy or, you know, maybe giving a different outlook. I also know that on Ways and Means the members on the committee are evaluating different types of tax reductions that could be \$4 billion, \$4.8 billion, which would mean less GR over the course of the next biennium. My sense is this, if we go down that road and we are looking at \$5 billion less GR in the next biennium, if we're looking at having the money that we need to respond to an economy that may not be keeping up with where we want it to be, at some juncture we need to have a critical discussion on a proper and responsible use to make those one-time investments to sort of prop up our general revenue fund to honor these commitments when the circumstances require it.

OTTO: You know, the use of the economic stabilization fund has had a lot of discussion over the last several sessions, including this one. I go back to what the original intent was, to have a fund there to smooth out the economic cycles. To me that is still first and foremost in my mind that that's what that fund should be used for, so that when we have a downturn in the economy we have revenues so that we don't have to make cuts as dramatic as we would otherwise have to make if we didn't have that fund.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: And I think you'd find many voices that would support and echo that sentiment to where we could use that fund to smooth out the economic landscape, but I just recall in a time when you and I both served, before you were chairman of Appropriations, that we couldn't even tap the ESF to pay down Hurricane Ike expenses in Galveston. We used GR back in '09. It's comforting to know that you have a view that we should use that fund for the right reasons and for the right purposes, and I like to know that many of us that want to work with you along those lines, that we have that opportunity to do so, because I think that we can certainly point out the needs, or at least the projected needs, of how we might be able to better utilize that fund.

OTTO: Well, I think if members looked at the history of why that fund was established, you know, it has evolved into where it's been talked about as, well, it's there for a hurricane or natural disaster. That's true, it's there for that, but the original intent was to smooth out economic downturns so that you could have a more level budget growth and not necessarily face peaks and valleys.

MARTINEZ FISCHER: True, and have that predictability where you're able to augment and supplement where necessary given, you know, economic conditions.

REPRESENTATIVE E. RODRIGUEZ: You know this is actually a very, very important resolution that we're doing right now, and I want to make sure that we understand this. So forgive me if the question has already been asked but this spillover that you're talking about here, are we creating this spillover because of **HB 8**? Is that what's going on?

OTTO: No, we're not creating any spillover. The spillover that we're talking about is when the economic stabilization fund hits its calculated cap which is 10 percent of the revenues deposited into general revenue for the previous year. What **HB 8** does is say to no longer deposit federal funds into that general revenue fund. They were not deposited when the economic stabilization fund was passed and they shouldn't be today.

E. RODRIGUEZ: Well, what does **HJR 8** say that spillover goes to now?

OTTO: **HJR 8** merely says that when spillover occurs, and I'm not predicting when that will happen, that a good use of that spillover is to early retire debt because you cannot count on that spillover every biennium when we show up. If we tap the rainy day fund next time, or if we tap it this time for some reason, you have pushed out the date that that spillover will occur because you have to now rebuild the balance back up to where it's more than 10 percent of the total revenue deposited into Fund 1.

E. RODRIGUEZ: What we're doing then is saying in the constitution that the legislature—where normally that spillover we would have as a body potentially, obviously the Appropriations and the Finance and the senate would have a big say in that, too, but you're saying that now, constitutionally, it needs to go toward reducing debt. I don't necessarily have a problem with that conceptually. I'm just saying that the body needs to understand that instead of the legislature having a say in what happens with that spillover money we're saying in the constitution that it will go toward reducing debt. Is that correct?

OTTO: That is correct. Let me explain my reasoning for that. I could have left it to where the entire body could have decided, but my concern was that to me it needed to be stipulated for a one-time purpose because you cannot count on this spillover occurring every biennium. Let's say next biennium we have \$1 billion spillover and you put that into the budget; the next session after that you may not have that spillover. So now what are you forced to do? You're either forced to reduce the billion that you put into the ongoing budget—to me it's just not a good idea to build your budget base on a spillover dollar that's a good one-time use.

E. RODRIGUEZ: I'm not disagreeing that we need to pay down our debts, Mr. Chairman. I'm not debating that at all. Right now, if I'm not mistaken, this body today could vote to spend GR money to reduce debt, could we not?

OTTO: We are currently using general revenue to make the scheduled debt payments.

E. RODRIGUEZ: And then we could also pay more if we chose to do so as a legislature?

OTTO: We could, but what this bill does is actually early retire debt, and it frees up that money that you have in the budget that is going to pay debt. That money would no longer be required to pay debt.

E. RODRIGUEZ: I guess I don't have a problem with paying down debt; I think that's a good public policy. I'm just a little bit concerned about putting it in our constitution; it may tie our hands in the future so I just wanted to express that to you, but thank you very much.

COLEMAN: One of the issues, and you know that Representative Howard had an amendment a couple of years ago on public education dealing with the rainy day fund, is that we have not tapped into the rainy day fund for any other purpose but for transportation. So the issue is if we're going to use the rainy day fund there should be other subject matter—

OTTO: Actually we've transferred money to set up the water infrastructure fund from the rainy day fund, I seem to remember—

COLEMAN: Yes, we did do that, and I voted for it.

OTTO: So there are other things in the past that we have used rainy day fund balances for.

COLEMAN: That's true, but recently, because the highest debt that we have, you would agree, is the transportation debt from those GARVEE bonds right?

OTTO: Well, I know that's a large portion; the Proposition 12 and Proposition 14 bonds were a sizeable amount of borrowing by the state.

COLEMAN: Would this money be eligible to early retire tuition revenue bonds?

OTTO: It would be eligible to retire whatever the body chose to do for bonds that were eligible to be called and that made the most sense to call. Obviously, if you had something out there that was eligible that had a higher interest rate than the average, you'd want to call that debt first.

COLEMAN: Well, again, your explanation is very well done. Whenever we dedicate funds, as you know, Mr. Chairman—

OTTO: I'm not in favor of normally dedicating funds as you know.

COLEMAN: Yes, I do. What that does in most cases is take funds away from something else because then those funds can only be used for one purpose.

OTTO: I do understand that. My feeling is this will be so infrequent that the spillover will occur, that it will probably only happen rarely.

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

Representative Howard moved to print all remarks on **HJR 8**.

The motion prevailed.

HB 5 ON SECOND READING (by Otto and Burkett)

HB 5, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to strategic fiscal reviews of state agencies.

HB 5 was passed to engrossment by (Record 170): 147 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Allen; Alonzo; Alvarado; Anchia; Anderson, C.; Anderson, R.; Ashby; Aycock; Bell; Bernal; Blanco; Bohac; Bonnen, D.; Bonnen, G.; Burkett; Burns; Burrows; Button; Canales; Capriglione; Clardy; Coleman; Collier; Cook; Craddick; Crownover; Cyrier; Dale; Darby; Davis, S.; Davis, Y.; Deshotel; Dukes; Dutton; Elkins; Faircloth; Fallon; Farias; Farney; Farrar; Fletcher; Flynn; Frank; Frullo; Galindo; Geren; Giddings; Goldman; Gonzales; González; Guerra; Guillen; Gutierrez; Harless; Hernandez; Herrero; Howard; Huberty; Hughes; Hunter; Isaac; Israel; Kacal; Keffer; Keough; King, K.; King, P.; King, S.; King, T.; Klick; Koop; Krause; Kuempel; Landgraf; Larson; Laubenberg; Leach; Longoria; Lozano; Lucio; Márquez; Martinez; Martinez Fischer; McClendon; Metcalf; Meyer; Miles; Miller, D.; Miller, R.; Moody; Morrison; Muñoz; Murphy; Murr; Naishtat; Nevárez; Oliveira; Otto; Paddie; Parker; Paul; Peña; Phelan; Phillips; Pickett; Price; Raney; Raymond; Reynolds; Riddle; Rinaldi; Rodriguez, E.; Rodriguez, J.; Romero; Rose; Sanford; Schaefer; Schofield; Schubert; Shaheen; Sheets; Sheffield; Simmons; Simpson; Smith; Smithee; Spitzer; Springer; Stephenson; Stickland; Thompson, E.; Thompson, S.; Tinderholt; Turner, C.; Turner, E.S.; Turner, S.; VanDeaver; Villalba; Vo; Walle; White, J.; White, M.; Workman; Wray; Wu; Zedler; Zerwas.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Johnson.

(Keffer in the chair)

HR 1821 - ADOPTED

(by Y. Davis)

Representative Y. Davis moved to suspend all necessary rules to take up and consider at this time **HR 1821**.

The motion prevailed.

The following resolution was laid before the house:

HR 1821, Honoring Dr. Rickie G. Rush of Dallas for his service as Pastor of the Day on April 10, 2015.

HR 1821 was adopted.

FIVE-DAY POSTING RULE SUSPENDED

Representative Guillen moved to suspend the five-day posting rule to allow the Committee on Culture, Recreation, and Tourism to consider **HB 3335** at 2 p.m. or upon adjournment today in E1.010.

The motion prevailed.

(Geren in the chair)

Representative P. King moved to suspend the five-day posting rule to allow the Select Committee on State and Federal Power and Responsibility to consider **HCR 91** at 10:30 a.m. or upon final adjournment/recess Thursday, April 9 in E2.036.

The motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following committee meetings were announced:

Select Committee on State and Federal Power and Responsibility, 10:30 a.m. or upon final adjournment/recess Thursday, April 9, E2.036, for a public hearing, to consider **HCR 91** and the previously posted agenda.

Culture, Recreation, and Tourism, 2 p.m. or upon adjournment today, E1.010, for a public hearing, to consider **HB 3335** and the previously posted agenda.

Natural Resources, 2 p.m. or upon final adjournment/recess tomorrow, E2.010, for a public hearing, to consider **HB 930**, **HB 950**, **HB 4168**, and the previously posted agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative C. Turner moved that the house adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow in memory of Dr. Richard Earl Morris of Arlington.

The motion prevailed.

The house accordingly, at 11:23 a.m., adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees as follows:

April 6

Agriculture and Livestock - **HB 275**

Business and Industry - **HB 1607**, **HB 1936**, **HB 2261**, **HB 2430**

Corrections - **HB 569**, **HB 643**

Economic and Small Business Development - **HB 931**, **HB 1312**, **HB 1657**, **HB 1658**

Higher Education - **HB 671**, **HB 796**, **HB 1054**, **HB 1517**, **HB 1583**, **HB 1992**, **HB 2396**, **HB 2472**, **HB 2568**, **HB 2624**, **HB 2848**, **HB 2921**, **HB 3245**

Insurance - **HB 1379**, **HB 2145**, **HB 2813**, **HB 2967**

Investments and Financial Services - **HB 483, HB 1378, HB 2394, HB 2676, HB 2819, HB 2851, HB 3536**

Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence - **HB 188, HB 234, HB 388, HB 703, HB 705, HB 1334, HB 3538**

Juvenile Justice and Family Issues - **HB 431, HB 1217, HB 1824, HB 1826, HB 2278, HB 2411**

Natural Resources - **HB 280, HB 949, HB 961**

State Affairs - **HB 2327**

Transportation - **HB 499**