

85th Legislative Session Update May 2, 2017





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Important Dates

- May 8 Last day for House Committees to report HBs out of committee
- May 9 Last House Daily Calendar with HBs/HJRs must be distributed
- May 10 Last House Local & Consent Calendar with HBs must be distributed
- May 11 Last day for House to consider 2nd reading HBs/HJRs on Daily or Supplemental Calendar
- May 12 Last day for House to consider 2nd or 3rd reading HBs/HJRs on Supplemental Calendar



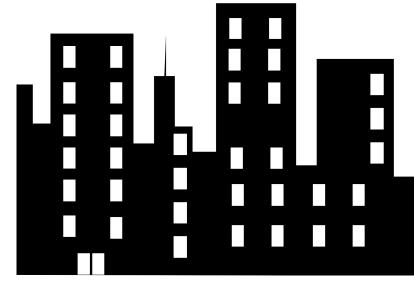
Revenue Caps

S.B. 2 (Bettencourt):

- Passed the Senate, March 22
- Referred to House Ways & Means, April 19
- Senate amended the cap from 4% to 5%
 (\$24 less for Austin homeowner in property taxes and \$11.4 million less for City)

H.B. 15 (Bonnen):

- Cap remains 4%
- Rescind City ability to pay non-voter approved debt with debt service portion of tax rate (Cost of \$21 million to M&O budget)
- Referred to Ways & Means, March 6





Sanctuary Cities

- S.B. 4 (Perry)
 - Passed the Senate, February 8
 - Vote: 20 aye, 10 nay
 - Passed the House, April 27
 - Vote: 94 aye, 53 nay, 1 PNV (Speaker Straus)





Bathroom Bill

S.B. 6 (Kolkhorst) –

- Passed the Senate and sent to House March 16
- Awaiting House Committee Referral
- H.B. 2899 (Simmons)
 - Pending House State Affairs, April 19





Transportation Network Companies (TNCs)

H.B. 100 (Paddie) -

- Passed the House, April 20
- Vote: 110 aye, 35 nay
- Received in Senate, April 24
- S.B. 361 (Nichols) -
 - Reported Favorably out of Business and Commerce committee, March 22
 - Sen. Zaffirini the lone nay vote





Short Term Rentals (STRs)

S.B. 451 (Hancock) –

- Passed the Senate, April 18
- Vote: 21 aye, 10 nay
- Received in House, April 19

Companion

H.B. 2551 (Parker) –

• Pending in House Urban Affairs, April 18





Fair Chance Hiring

H.B. 577 (Workman) –

• Sent to House Calendars, April 19

Companion

S.B. 1262 (Huffman) –

• Referred to Senate Business and Commerce, March 13





Annexation & Land Use

- H.B. 299 (Larson) -
 - Pending in House Land and Resource Management, April 5
- H.B. 424 (Huberty) -
 - Reported favorably as substituted from Land and Resource Management, April 28
- S.B. 715 (Campbell)
 - Passed the Senate, April 24
 - Vote: 20 aye, 10 nay
 - Received in the House, April 25

H.B. 898 (Workman) –

• Sent to House Calendars, April 28





Linkage Fees

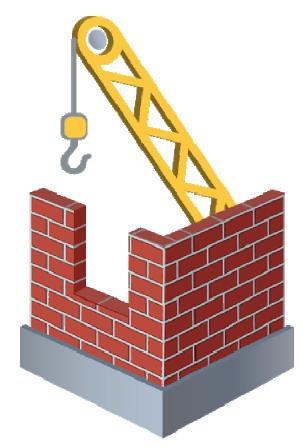
H.B. 1449 (Simmons) -

• Set on House General Calendar, May 2

Companion

S.B. 852 (Nelson) -

• Referred to Senate Business and Commerce, February 27





Homestead Preservation Districts

H.B. 3281 (Rodriguez) –

- Passed out of House Urban Affairs, April 25
- Vote: 4 aye (Alvarado, Bernal, Elkins, Johnson), 3 nay (Leach, Isaac, Zedler)
- H.B. 4033 (Isaac) -
 - Scheduled for hearing House Urban Affairs, May 2
- S.B. 1656 (Watson) companion to H.B. 3281
 - Passed out of Senate Intergovernmental, April 26
 - Vote: 4 aye (Bettencourt, Campbell, Garcia, Lucio), 1 nay (Van Taylor)





Small Cell

S.B. 1004 (Hancock) –

- Passed the Senate, April 6
- Vote: 29 aye, 0 nay, 2 present not voting
- Received in House, April 6
- S.B. 1515 (Hancock)
 - Referred to Senate Business and Commerce, March 20

Companions

- H.B. 2838 (Geren) companion to S.B. 1004
 - Pending in House State Affairs, April 19





Speed Limits

H.B. 1368 (Israel) -

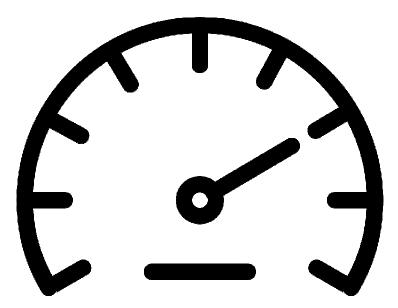
• Scheduled for House Transportation, May 3

Companion

- S.B. 1244 (Rodriguez) -
 - Referred to Senate Transportation, March 13

S.B. 2103 (Garcia) -

• Pending in Senate Transportation, April 26





Austin Energy

H.B. 1458 (Workman) – Clarifies Council's appointing power

- Pending in House State Affairs, April 12
- H.B. 1459 (Workman) Caps Gen. Fund transfer
 - Referred to House State Affairs, March 16
- H.B. 1460 (Workman) Allows rate appeals to the P.U.C./effective dereg
 - Pending in House State Affairs, April 5
- H.B. 1461 (Workman) Requires sell of distribution assets
 - Referred to House State Affairs, March 7

Companions

S.B. 2069 (Buckingham) – companion to H.B. 1458

- Referred to Senate Business and Commerce, March 28
- S.B. 2070 (Buckingham) companion to H.B. 1459
 - Referred to Senate Business and Commerce, March 28





Lions Municipal Golf Course

S.B. 822 (Estes) –

- Passed Senate, April 12
- Vote: 21 aye, 10 nay
- Received in House, April 12

Companion

H.B. 4059 (Larson) -

• Referred to House Land & Resource Management, April 4





Historic Preservation

H.B. 3418 (Elkins) -

• Pending in House Urban Affairs, April 11





Water and Watershed Protection

H.B. 2851 (Workman) – Flood Control District

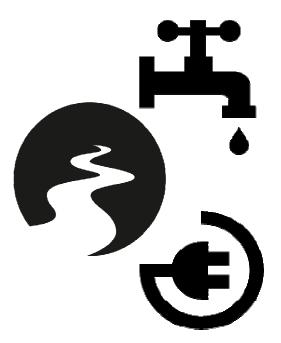
• Referred to Special Purpose Districts Committee, March 29

H.B. 1523 (Workman)

- Southwest Travis County Special Utility District
- Referred to Special Purpose Districts Committee, March 13

H.B. 4304 (Workman)

- Habitat conservation plans in Travis County
- Referred to House Culture, Recreation and Tourism, April 4





Water and Watershed Protection

H.B. 3004 (Isaac)

- Dismissal of protests at the TCEQ regarding wastewater discharge permits
- Referred to House Environmental Regulation, March 27
- H.B. 2959 (Isaac) Wholesale Water & Sewer Service
 - Reported favorably as substituted from House Natural Resources, April 27
- H.B. 3036 (T. King) Discharges into Edwards Aquifer
 - Prohibits TCEQ from amending or issuing new discharge permits
 - Pending in House Environmental Regulation, April 11



Budget

S.B. 1 (Estes) –

- Passed by Senate, March 28
- Vote: 31 aye, 0 nay
- Passed by House, April 7
- Vote: 131 aye, 16 nay
- Conference committee set, April 24
- Senate Conferees: Nelson (Chair), Hinojosa, Huffman, Kolkhorst, Schwertner
- House Conferees: Zerwas (Chair), Ashby, Sarah Davis, Gonzales, Longoria





Next Update

May 16th

27 Days Left in Session.....



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