

# 87TH STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 87<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION: RECAP



- 7,148 bills and joint resolutions filed and reviewed by IGRO
- 15% of filed bills & joint resolutions ultimately passed
  - This is a reduced passage rate of 5% from previous sessions
  - 67% of passed bills filed by Republicans & 33% filed by Democrats
- 21 vetoes by the governor.
- IGRO tracked 2,254 bills and joint resolutions

# 87<sup>TH</sup> SPECIAL SESSIONS: **STATISTICS**



## 1st Called Session

- July 8 – Aug. 6
- **405** bills & joint resolutions filed & reviewed IGRO
- No bills passed

## 2nd Called Session

- Aug. 7 – Sept. 2
- **380** bills & joint resolutions filed & reviewed IGRO
- **15** bills & joint resolutions passed

## 3rd Called Session

- Sept. 20 – Oct 19
- **249** bills & joint resolutions filed & reviewed IGRO
- **11** bills & joint resolutions passed

# 87<sup>TH</sup> PASSED BILLS: **NEGATIVE FOR CITY**



**City Police Funding  
HB 1900 (Goldman)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

**Camping Ban  
HB 1925 (Capriglione)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

**No Contracts : Firearm  
Boycott  
SB 19 (Schwertner)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

**Permitless Carry  
HB 1927 (Schaefer)**

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

# 87<sup>TH</sup> PASSED BILLS: POSITIVE FOR THE CITY



## **APRS Pensions**

HB 4368 (Rodriguez)

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

## **Cloud Computing**

SB 58 (Zaffirini)

*Effective June 3, 2021*

## **Local Health Department Medicaid**

SB 73 (Miles)

*Effective Sept. 1, 2021*

# 87<sup>TH</sup> BILLS **FAILED** TO PASS: **POSITIVE** FOR CITY



## **Community Advocacy**

SB 10 (Hall)

## **MOU Deregulation**

SB 182 (Schwertner)

## **AE Rates**

SB 566 (Buckingham)

HB 2775 (Cain)

## **Super Preemption**

HB 610 (Swanson)

HB 3909 (Harris)

## **Disannexation Bills**

Lake Austin (SB 659/ HB 1653)

West Rim (HB 2776)

Lost Creek (SB 1499 / HB 3827)

## **ETJ Regulation**

HB 1885 (Harris)

## **Pandemic Response**

HB 3 (Burrows))

## **Noise Ordinance Preemption**

HB 3813 (Harris)

## **Homeless Housing**

SB 646 & SB 796  
(Schwertner)

HB 1803 (Wilson)



# 87<sup>TH</sup> BILLS:

## HISPANIC/LATINO QUALITY OF LIFE RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Passed

**TRUE Program**

SB 1102 (Creighton)

*Funding: 87(3) SB8*

**SNAP Certification**

SB 224 (Perry)

Failed

**Employment Preemption**

SB 14 (Creighton)

**Historical Monument  
Removal**

HB 2713 (Hefner)

# 88<sup>TH</sup> SESSION: CHANGES



- Changes in Senate membership & leadership
- Potentially 40 new members in House
- Austin delegation changes and committee assignments
- Interim charges likely after March primary



# QUESTIONS?



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Agenda:  
<https://www.austintexas.gov/edims/document.cfm?id=347683>

# 87<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS: **APPENDIX**



- Bills Impacting People Experiencing Homelessness
- Police Funding Bills

# 87<sup>TH</sup> **BILLS IMPACTING THE HOMELESS**



## Camping Ban

HB 1925 (Capriglione)

*Effective September 1, 2021*

- City must submit a plan for approval by TDHCA to designate a property for encampment. Designation of public parks is prohibited.
- Offense is a Class C misdemeanor. Officers must make reasonable effort to connect persons to designated encampment and services.
- Local entities cannot have policies that prohibit or discourage enforcement of the ban nor can they discourage peace officers or prosecuting attorneys from enforcing the ban.
- Policies that encourage diversion or provision of services in lieu of citation or arrest are allowed.
- *HB 1925 Contingency Rider NOT included in the final appropriations act.*
- *City submitted comments on TDHCA rules for encampment for public comment*

## Purchase / Conversion: County Approval

- **SB 646 (Schwertner)**
- *Vote failed in House Committee*
- **HB 1803 (Wilson)**
- *Procedurally Dead: House Calendar Deadline*

## Purchase / Conversion: Notice

- **SB 796 (Schwertner)**
- *Vote failed in House Committee*

# 87<sup>TH</sup> POLICE FUNDING



## City Police Funding

HB 1900 (Goldman)

*Effective September 1, 2021*

- Applies only to municipalities over 250,000
- “Defunding municipality” reduces appropriation to police department compared to previous budget. [lower than the larger of previous two years’ budgets until 2023]
- Determined by Office of Governor’s Criminal Justice Division (“CJD”). Some exceptions allowed at discretion of CJD
- **Penalties:**
  - Dis-annexation elections and prohibition on annexations.
  - Must use lowest property tax rate (generally no-new-revenue rate) for upcoming year
  - Annual sales tax distribution decreased by amount determined by CJD that State spent to provide law enforcement services to City.
  - Increase contributions to APRS such that the combined City and member contributions are no less than the combined City and member contributions in FY2021.
  - AE & AWU rates capped at January 2021 levels unless utilities stop providing any funding to the City through transfers.

## County Funding

SB 23 (Huffman)

Applies only to counties  
over 1 million

*Effective January 1, 2022*

9 other  
“defunding”  
bills did not pass

Thank you

