



## Tx Council/Developmental Dis. Bill Status Report

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### 1. 83R Passed LTSS

SB 7 Nelson, Jane(R)  
Raymond, Richard(D) Relating to improving the delivery and quality of certain health and human services, including the delivery and quality of Medicaid acute care services and long-term care services and supports.

**Remarks:** [\*\*Bill History:\*\* 09-01-13 G Earliest effective date](http://www.t added supported employment and employment assistance to all Medicaid waivers.</a></p>
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SB 45 Zaffirini, Judith(D)  
Naishtat, Elliott(D) Relating to the provision of employment assistance and supported employment to certain Medicaid waiver program participants.

**Remarks:** Will add supported employment and employment assistance to all Medicaid waivers.

**Bill History:** 06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

SB 49 Zaffirini, Judith(D)  
Burkett, Cindy(R) Relating to transitional living assistance for children with disabilities who reside in general residential operations.

**Remarks:** Will provide promoting independence for children with developmental disabilities in Department of Family and Protective Services General Residential Operations.

**Bill History:** 06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

SB 50 Zaffirini, Judith(D)  
Guillen, Ryan(D) Relating to the Children's Policy Council, including the composition of the council.

**Remarks:** Will add a consumer of mental health services, up to 25 years of age, to the membership of the Children's Policy Council.

**Bill History:** 09-01-13 G Earliest effective date

SB 1226 Zaffirini, Judith(D)  
Perez, Mary Ann(D) Relating to the establishment of an employment-first policy and task force that promote opportunities for individuals with disabilities to earn a living wage with competitive employment.

**Remarks:** Will require Employment First Policy.

**Bill History:** 06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

### 2. 83R Passed Education

**HB 617**      Rodriguez, Eddie(D)  
Zaffirini, Judith(D)      Relating to transition and employment services for public school students enrolled in special education programs.

**Companions:**    **SB 37**      Zaffirini, Judith      (Identical)  
1-28-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education

**Remarks:**      Will require an independent school district to designate one staff for transition and employment; collaborate with other state agencies to produce a statewide transition guide; and that transition planning include employment information. Ricky Broussard act. headed to Governor

**Bill History:**    06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

**HB 642**      Patrick, Diane(R)  
Lucio, Eddie(D)      Relating to continuing education requirements for certain educators.

**Remarks:**      Will add continuing education requirements for teachers, counselors and principals. It includes instruction in educating diverse populations, including students with disabilities.

**Bill History:**    06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

**SB 460**      Deuell, Bob(R)  
Coleman, Garnet(D)      Relating to inclusion of instruction in the detection and education of students with mental or emotional disorders in the requirements for educator training programs.

**Companions:**    **HB 3224**      Coleman, Garnet      (Identical)  
4-30-13 H Committee action pending House Public Education

**Remarks:**      Requires training in mental health and positive behavior supports for educator training; training for school personnel in early warning signs of suicide and bullying; and the addition of mental health concerns to school health advisory councils.

**Bill History:**    06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

**3. 83R Passed SSLCs**

**SB 33**      Zaffirini, Judith(D)  
Naishtat, Elliott(D)      Relating to the electronic monitoring of residents at state supported living centers.

**Companions:**    **HB 1740**      Naishtat, Elliott      (Identical)  
4-23-13 H Committee action pending House Human Services

**Remarks:**      Will allow an SSLC resident or guardian to install private cameras in private spaces.

**Bill History:**    05-25-13 G Earliest effective date

**SB 34**      Zaffirini, Judith(D)  
Naishtat, Elliott(D)      Relating to the administration of psychoactive medications to persons receiving services in certain facilities.

**Companions:**    **HB 1739**      Naishtat, Elliott      (Identical)  
4-30-13 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Health and Human Services

**Remarks:**      Will allow an SSLC resident the right to refuse psychoactives unless under guardianship or court ordered with due process.

**Bill History:** 09-01-13 G Earliest effective date

#### 4. 83R Passed Mental Health

HB 376	Strama, Mark(D) Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to the regulation of child-care providers by the Texas Workforce Commission and local workforce development boards.
	<b>Companions:</b>	<p><b>SB 1588</b> Zaffirini, Judith (Identical) 3-19-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services</p>
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will improve the child care subsidy system by creating the Texas Rising Star rating for high quality early learning, school readiness preparation and social emotional development.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	09-01-13 G Earliest effective date
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SB 44	Zaffirini, Judith(D) Burkett, Cindy(R)	Relating to maintaining and reporting certain information regarding certain child abuse or neglect cases.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will have prohibited the inclusion of parents in the abuse and neglect registry (RAPR) if parents relinquished custody as the only option to access MH treatment. Because DFPS added a fiscal note, substitute removes exclusion of names from the registry; but requires the Council on Children and Families to recommend solutions; requires DFPS to offer joint conservatorship; and requires DFPS and DSHS to implement changes to prevent RAPR.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	09-01-13 G Earliest effective date
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SB 58	Nelson, Jane(R) Zerwas, John(R)	Relating to integrating behavioral health and physical health services provided under the Medicaid program using managed care organizations.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will integrate health and behavioral health into Medicaid managed care. Does not include NorthStar.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	09-01-13 G Earliest effective date
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SB 126	Nelson, Jane(R) Davis, John(R)	Relating to the creation of a mental health and substance abuse public reporting system.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will require a public reporting system for adult and children's mental health services provided by local mental health authorities, managed care mental health and contractors for substance abuse services.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	09-01-13 G Earliest effective date
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SB 152	Nelson, Jane(R) Kolkhorst, Lois(R)	Relating to the protection and care of persons who are elderly or disabled or who are children.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	A mental health hospital patient safety bill that will require employee training in recognizing and reporting abuse. Adds trauma informed care training and extends the deadline for Inspector General to hire investigators.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	06-14-13 G Earliest effective date

SB 421 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Naishtat, Elliott(D) Relating to the Texas System of Care and the development of local mental health systems of care for certain children.

**Companions:** [HB 3684](#) Naishtat, Elliott (Identical)  
4-19-13 H Committee action pending House Public Health

**Remarks:** Will expand statewide the Texas Integrated Funding Initiative (TIFI) that integrates state, federal, local and other funds to establish local systems of care for children and youth with complex mental health needs.

**Bill History:** 09-01-13 G Earliest effective date

5. 83R Did Not Pass

HB 3312 Collier, Nicole(D) Relating to an evaluation of the state supported living center system.

**Companions:** [SB 1045](#) Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)  
3-12-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services

**Remarks:** Will require evaluation of SSLCs for closure or consolidation based on proximity to each other; marketability of property; condition of buildings; ease of client transfer and other employment options for employees.

**Bill History:** 03-19-13 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Human Services

HB 3527 Klick, Stephanie(R) Relating to the criteria and requirements for the closure, consolidation, or consolidation plan of state supported living centers.

**Remarks:** Will require criteria for closure or consolidation of SSLCs based on costs, census, compliance with federal law and a strategy to minimize adverse effects on community, employees and residents.

**Bill History:** 03-20-13 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Human Services

HB 3528 Klick, Stephanie(R) Relating to the creation of the State Supported Living Center Realignment Commission.

**Companions:** [SB 729](#) Rodriguez, Jose (Identical)  
2-25-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services

**Remarks:** Will establish the State Supported Living Center Realignment Commission comprised of public, agency, parent and community services stakeholders to evaluate and recommend consolidation or closure of SSLCs.

**Bill History:** 03-20-13 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Human Services

HB 3791 Zerwas, John(R) Relating to the creation of a "Texas" solution to issues related to Medicaid, including flexibility in the administration of the Medicaid program, tailored to the needs of the state.

**Bill History:** 04-30-13 H Reported from committee as substituted House

## Appropriations

SB 32	Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to individuals with intellectual disabilities committed to state supported living centers.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will require that an SSLC commitment order expire after 12 months.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-28-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services
SB 41	Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to the administration and provision of consumer-directed services under certain health and human services programs.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will add individualized budgeting for the purchase of goods and services - a Consumer Directed Services workgroup recommendation.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	01-28-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services
SB 115	Williams, Tommy(R)	Relating to a school choice program for certain students with disabilities.
	<b>Companions:</b>	<a href="#">HB 1175</a> Capriglione, Giovanni (Identical) 2-20-13 H Introduced and referred to committee on House Public Education
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will allow the use of vouchers for elementary and secondary students with disabilities to attend private special education schools.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	05-02-13 S Placed on the Senate Calendar for
SB 1112	Zaffirini, Judith(D)	Relating to prohibiting organ transplant recipient discrimination on the basis of certain disabilities.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will prohibit discrimination based on disability in order to qualify for an organ transplant.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	03-12-13 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Health and Human Services
SB 1361	Rodriguez, Jose(D)	Relating to a bill of rights for persons receiving Medicaid long-term services and supports under state benefits programs.
	<b>Remarks:</b>	Will establish a bill of rights for persons receiving Medicaid long-term services and supports.
	<b>Bill History:</b>	04-23-13 S Committee action pending Senate Health and Human Services

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