



Tx Council for Developmental Disabilities Bill Status Report

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Agency Administration

HB 443 [Gonzales, Larry\(R\)](#) Relating to zero-based budgeting for state agencies as part of the sunset review process.

Remarks: Requires state agency to submit zero-based budget information by Nov 1 before legislative session when the agency's sunset review is considered by the legislature.

Bill History: 12-04-14 H Filed

HB 459 [Krause, Matt\(R\)](#) Relating to zero-based budgeting for certain entities funded by this state and submission of a zero-based budget by and performance of a financial audit of an agency undergoing review by the Sunset Advisory Commission.

Remarks: Requires agencies to submit zero based budget every 3rd session with a description of discrete activities, legal citation or justification for each, estimate of adverse effects of not continuing activity, funding estimates for current effort and minimal effort, & a priority ranking of activities. Requires agencies to submit zero based budget info prior to sunset review legislative session. Requires SAO to conduct financial audit of each agency scheduled for sunset review by Sept 1 prior to that session.

Bill History: 12-05-14 H Filed

HB 486 [Howard, Donna\(D\)](#) Relating to the availability on the Internet of personal financial statements filed by public officials.

Bill History: 12-10-14 H Filed

HB 532 [McClendon, Ruth Jones\(D\)](#) Relating to the ability of a nonexempt employee to participate in certain academic, extracurricular, and developmental activities of the employee's child.

Remarks: Allows employees who work 30+ hrs/wk to use 8 - 20 hr/yr to participate in the child's school and developmental activities.

Bill History: 12-17-14 H Filed

HB 585 [Fallon, Pat\(R\)](#) Relating to the service retirement annuity of certain state employees.

Remarks: Annuity for retiree hired after Sept '15 may not exceed gross salary of a member of the United States armed forces on active duty at pay grade 0-10.

Bill History: 01-05-15 H Filed

HB 630 [Bonnen, Greg\(R\)](#) Relating to requiring state contractors and governmental entities to participate in the federal electronic verification of work authorization program, or E-Verify.

Bill History: 01-08-15 H Filed

HB 631 [Bonnen, Greg\(R\)](#) Relating to the impersonation of a state agency website or an associated website.

Bill History: 01-08-15 H Filed

HB 649 McClendon, Ruth Jones(D) Relating to the disclosure to a state agency of certain information used or considered in the performance of a contract or agreement with the agency.

Remarks: Include provision in contracts that requires contractor/subcontractor to disclose information concerning any formula, material, method, work product, trade secret, process, or research used in performance of contract, regardless of whether that information is confidential under law. Such information disclosed to a state agency is confidential and not subject to disclosure.

Bill History: 01-12-15 H Filed

HB 651 Isaac, Jason(R) Relating to the format of the general appropriations bill.

Remarks: Each agency required to include each program or activity in LAR; funding request for each, components of each activity and citation for each activity

Bill History: 01-12-15 H Filed

HB 701 Allen, Alma(D) Relating to certain benefits paid by the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

Remarks: Increases retirement benefits by 10% for all annuitants; provides yearly 4% COLA supplement.

Bill History: 01-14-15 H Filed

HB 763 King, Susan(R) Relating to a petition to a state agency for adoption of rules.

Remarks: If agency requires signatures for a petition to adopt rules, at least 51% of those signatures must be of residents of the state.

Bill History: 01-16-15 H Filed

HB 855 Sanford, Scott(R) Relating to the compatibility of state agency websites with certain Internet browsers.

Remarks: Requires Dept of Information Resources to identify 3 most commonly used internet browsers, and for state agencies to ensure agency website is compatible with the most recent version of each of those browsers.

Bill History: 01-21-15 H Filed

HB 1027 Price, Four(R) Relating to state agency contracting.

Companions: SB 353 Nelson, Jane (Identical)
1-26-15 S Filed

Bill History: 01-28-15 H Filed

HB 1059 Turner, Chris(D) Relating to the contents of and public access to personal financial statements filed by public officials and candidates.

Remarks: Would require disclosing the dollar value of stock instead of the number of shares; requires Ethics Commission to make disclosure statements available on its website.

Bill History: 01-30-15 H Filed

SB 53 Nelson, Jane(R) Relating to strategic fiscal reviews for state agencies and programs.

Bill History: 11-10-14 S Filed

SB 136 Perry, Charles (F)(R) Relating to zero-based budgeting for state agencies as part of the sunset review process.

Bill History: 11-10-14 S Filed

SB 238 Zaffirini, Judith(D) Relating to the use of a wireless communication device by a state officer or employee while operating a motor vehicle.

Bill History: 12-12-14 S Filed

SB 353 Nelson, Jane(R) Relating to state agency contracting.

Remarks: Requires Facilities Commission to include ethics training in training and continuing education provided to state agency purchasing personnel; requires agencies to require individuals involved in procurement decisions to disclose potential conflicts of interest; prohibits contracts with entities with a conflict of interest; requires posting information on agency websites regarding contracts initiated without bids; enhances reporting and monitoring of contracts over \$1 million.

Companions: HB 1027 Price, Four (Identical)
1-28-15 H Filed

Bill History: 01-26-15 S Filed

SB 374 Schwertner, Charles(R) Relating to requiring state agencies to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify.

Companions: HB 183 Dale, Tony (Identical)
11-10-14 H Filed

Remarks: A state agency shall register and participate in the E-verify program to verify information of all new employees.

Bill History: 01-28-15 S Filed

SB 392 Burton, Konni (F)(R) Relating to posting notice of a meeting of a governmental body on the Internet instead of in a newspaper.

Companions: HB 814 Larson, Lyle (Identical)
1-20-15 H Filed

Bill History: 01-28-15 S Filed

SJR 9 Taylor, Van (F)(R) Proposing a constitutional amendment to provide for review or approval of state agency rules by the elected members of the legislature.

Remarks: Would allow legislature to review, approve, or repeal agency rules.

Bill History: 11-10-14 S Filed