The house met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the speaker.

The roll of the house was called and a quorum was announced present (Record 84).

Present — Mr. Speaker; Agnich; Armbrister; Arnold; Barrientos; Barton, B.; Barton, E.; Blanton; Bomer; Buchanan; Burnett; Bush; Cain; Carriker; Cary; Cavazos; Ceverha; Clark; Clemons; Colbert; Collazo; Connelly; Coody; Craddick; Criss; Danburg; Davis; DeLay; Delco; Denton; Eckels; Edwards; Eikenburg; Emmett; English; Evans, C.; Evans, L.; Finnell; Fox; Gamer; Gandy; Garcia, A.; Gavin; Geistweitz; Gibson, B.; Gibson, J.; Gilley; Glossbrenner; Granoff; Green; Grisham; Hackney; Haley; Hall, L.; Hall, T.; Hall, W.; Hammond; Hanna; Harrison, D.; Harrison, W.; Heflin; Hernandez; Hightower; Hilbert; Hill, A.; Hill, G.; Hill, P.; Hinojosa; Hollowell; Horn; Hudson, D.; Hudson, S.; Hurry; Jones; Keller; Kemp; Khoury; Kubiak; Kuempel; Lane; Lee, D.; Luna; McKenna; McWilliams; Madla; Mankins; Martinez, R.; Martinez, W.; Messer; Millsap; Moreno, A.; Oliveira; Oliver; Patrick; Patronella; Patterson; Pennington; Peveto; Pierce; Polk; Polumbo; Presnal; Ragsdale; Rangel; Robinson; Robnett; Rudd; Russell; Salinas; Saunders; Schlueter; Schoolcraft; Shaw; Shea; Short; Simpson; Smith, A.; Smith, C.; Smith, T.; Staniswalis; Stiles; Sutton; Tejeda; Thompson, G.; Thompson, S.; Toomey; Tow; Turner; Uher; Valles; Vowell; Waldrop; Wallace; Watson; Whaley; Wieting; Willis; Wilson; Wolens; Word; Wright.

Absent, Excused — Berlanga; Crockett; Garcia, M.; Jackson; Lee, E. F.; Leonard; Parker; Price.

Absent — Moreno, P.

The invocation was offered by Dean of the House, Representative Leroy Wieting.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of state business:

Leonard on motion of Cary.

Price on motion of Cary.

The following members were granted leaves of absence for today because of important business:

Berlanga on motion of W. Martinez.

E. F. Lee on motion of L. Evans.

M. Garcia on motion of W. Martinez.

Jackson on motion of Wolens.
The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of personal business:

Parker on motion of Robinson.

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of illness:

Crockett on motion of D. Hudson.

**HB 2303 - PERMISSION TO INTRODUCE**

Representative W. Martinez moved to suspend the constitutional rule for permission to introduce and have placed on first reading HB 2303.

The motion prevailed by (Record 85): 129 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Agnich; Armbrister; Barrientos; Barton, B.; Barton, E.; Blanton; Bomer; Buchanan; Burnett; Bush; Cain; Carriker; Cary; Cavazos; Clark; Clemens; Colbert; Collazo; Connelly; Coody; Craddick; Dunburg; Davis; DeLay; Delco; Denton; Eckels; Edwards; Eikenburg; Emmett; English; Evans, C.; Evans, L.; Finnell; Gamez; Gandy; Garcia, A.; Gavin; Geistweidt; Gibson, B.; Gibson, J.; Gilley; Glossbrenner; Granoff; Green; Grisham; Haley; Hall, L.; Hall, T.; Hammond; Hanna; Harrison, D.; Harrison, W.; Heflin; Hernandez; Hightower; Hilbert; Hill, A.; Hill, G.; Hill, P.; Hinojosa; Hollowell; Horn; Hudson, D.; Hudson, S.; Hur; Jones; Keller; Kemp; Khoury; Kubiak; Kuempel; Laney; Lee, D.; Luna; McKeena; McMillan; Madla; Mankins; Martinez, R.; Martinez, W.; Messer; Millsap; Moreno, A.; Oliveira; Oliver; Patronella; Patterson; Pennington; Pierce; Polk; Polumbo; Presnal; Ragsdale; Rangel; Robinson; Robnett; Rudd; Russell; Salinas; Schoolcraft; Shaw; Shea; Short; Simpson; Smith, A.; Smith, T.; Staniswalis; Stiles; Sutton; Tejeda; Thompson, G.; Thompson, S.; Toomey; Tow; Turner; Uher; Valles; Vowell; Waldrop; Wallace; Watson; Whaley; Wieting; Willis; Wilson; Wolens; Word; Wright.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Berlanga; Crockett; Garcia, M.; Jackson; Lee, E. F.; Leonard; Parker; Price.

Absent — Arnold; Ceverha; Criss; Fox; Hackney; Hall, W.; Moreno, P.; Patrick; Pe veto; Saunders; Schlueter; Smith, C.

**REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS SUSPENDED**

By unanimous consent, the reading and referral of bills was postponed until just prior to adjournment.

**CONGRATULATORY AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS CALENDAR**

The speaker laid before the house the following congratulatory and memorial resolutions:

By Cary:

HCR 116, Commending the Texas Emancipation Cultural Association.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Edwards, the names of all the members of the house were added to HCR 116 as signers thereof.

By Blanton:

HCR 125, Congratulating Hattie Mae Conn.

The resolution was adopted without objection.
By Oliver:
HCR 128, Commending Felix E. Wilson.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Geistweit:
HCR 129, Commending Emmie Muncnkcr.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By W. Harrison:
HR 126, Commending Maury Wolfson.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By W. Harrison:
HR 127, Commending Richard King III.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Waldrop:
HR 128, In memory of Joseph Morton Glass.
The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

By Gandy:
HR 131, In memory of Corporal C. J. Norris.
The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

By W. Martinez:
HR 133, Congratulating the East Central High School football team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Stiles:
HR 136, Congratulating the Barbers Hill High School girls' basketball team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Mankins:
HR 139, Congratulating the Longview High School girls basketball team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Stiles:
HR 141, Congratulating the Hardin High School girls' basketball team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By B. Barton:
HR 142, Congratulating the San Marcos High School boys' basketball team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Patronella:
HR 145, In memory of Betty Ruth Werner.
The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

By A. Moreno:
HR 146, Congratulating the Edinburg High School football team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Robinson:
HR 148, Commending Johnny Preston.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Robinson:
HR 149, Congratulating the city of Martindale.
The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.
By Collazo:

HR 153, In memory of Ronald Earl Smith.
The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

By Mankins:

HR 154, Congratulating the Sabine High School basketball team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Madla:

HR 157, Congratulating the South San Antonio High School, West Campus, basketball team.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Eikenburg:

HR 158, Congratulating Mrs. Robert (Kitty) Mattison.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

By Eckels:

HR 161, Congratulating Herbert Jefferson Skelton.
The resolution was adopted without objection.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, March 24, 1983

The Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives

House Chamber

The Honorable

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

SB 144 by Blake, relating to the qualifications of the commissioner of mental health and mental retardation.

SB 216 by Leedom, relating to licenses and permits and to license fees and functions of the Parks and Wildlife Department.

SB 266 by Parker, relating to the housing functions of the Texas Department of Community Affairs.

SB 341 by Caperton, directing and authorizing the Board of Regents, Texas State University System, to replace and repair fire-damaged structures and sites at Sam Houston State University.

SB 400 by Mauzy, relating to applications and orders for installation of pen registers.

SB 482 by Harris, relating to the definition of the term “bet” for purposes of the Penal Code prohibitions against gambling.

SB 624 by Jones, relating to supplemental pay for certain Department of Public Safety commissioned officers.

SB 705 by Brooks, relating to a program to screen and treat certain young persons for special senses and communication disorders.

SB 768 by Doggett, relating to the regulation of nursing home administrators.

SB 860 by Traeger, relating to membership in and benefits from the Employees Retirement System of Texas for elected class service.
SJR I by Williams and Sharp, proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from taxation the property of certain veterans' organizations.

Respectfully,
Betty King
Secretary of the Senate

HR 140 - ADOPTED

Representative G. Hill moved that all necessary rules be suspended to take up and consider at this time, HR 140.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By G. Hill:

HR 140

WHEREAS, James Michener, one of the country's most distinguished and successful novelists, has established a well-earned reputation as an outstanding writer of historical fiction; and

WHEREAS, As the subject of his next epic, Mr. Michener has chosen Texas, a state which he has referred to as "an arena of majesty"; and

WHEREAS, This novel will chronicle the rich and unique history of Texas from its exploration by the Spanish to its contemporary role as one of the foremost and fastest growing states in the country; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Michener, who is well known for his extensive preliminary research prior to writing his books, is currently residing in Austin to avail himself of the city's exceptional resource material and facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives desires to honor this accomplished and illustrious author, and it would be a distinct pleasure to all members for him to deliver an address before this body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature of the State of Texas extend an invitation to James Michener to address a session of the Texas House of Representatives in the hall of the house on March 28, 1983, at 2:30 p.m.; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Michener as his official invitation from the Texas House of Representatives.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

HR 150 - ADOPTED

Representative G. Hill moved that all necessary rules be suspended to take up and consider at this time, HR 150.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By G. Hill:

HR 150, Welcoming the state legislative Conference of the Texas Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

The resolution was adopted without objection.
Representative T. Smith moved that all necessary rules be suspended to take up and consider at this time, HR 182.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By T. Smith:

HR 182

WHEREAS, One of this chamber's hardworking and energetic freshmen, the Honorable Mike Toomey of Houston, will celebrate his 33rd birthday tomorrow, March 25, 1983; and

WHEREAS, The 68th Legislature is fortunate to have this capable young attorney numbered among its members; his dedication and insight have been an asset to the house this session; and

WHEREAS, Although he will not celebrate until tomorrow when the house will not be in session, his colleagues wish to join his family and constituents at this time in extending to him happy birthday greetings; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature hereby congratulate Representative Mike Toomey on his forthcoming birthday, celebrated during his first regular session; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Representative Toomey as a token of sincere good wishes from the members of the Texas House of Representatives.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Edwards, the names of all the members of the house were added to HR 182 as signers thereof.

HR 166 - ADOPTED

Representative A. Garcia moved that all necessary rules be suspended to take up and consider at this time, HR 166.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By A. Garcia:

HR 166

WHEREAS, The Honorable Al Edwards, an outstanding representative from Houston, celebrated his 46th birthday on March 19, 1983; and

WHEREAS, Although their birthday wishes are belated, the members of the house of representatives deem it a great pleasure to acknowledge the birthday of this commendable legislator; and

WHEREAS, Representative Edwards is serving his third term in the legislature, and his terms in office have been marked by honest, dedicated, and sincere hard work for the citizens of District 85 and for the people of the entire state; and

WHEREAS, He has earned the admiration and praise of his colleagues for his commendable skill as a legislator and for his exceptional leadership as vice-chairman of the Committee on Transportation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature hereby extend sincere greetings and congratulations to our fellow member, the Honorable Al Edwards, on the occasion of his birthday; and, be it further
RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Representative Edwards as an expression of the high esteem of the Texas House of Representatives.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative A. Garcia, the names of all the members of the house were added to HR 166 as signers thereof.

HR 177 - ADOPTED

Representative Connelly moved that all necessary rules be suspended to take up and consider at this time, HR 177.

The motion prevailed without objection.

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Connelly:

HR 177

WHEREAS, The members of the house of representatives are always delighted to acknowledge the birthday of a fellow member and to join in its cheerful celebration; and

WHEREAS, Representative Paul J. Hilbert is today celebrating the anniversary of his birth, which occurred on March 24, 1949; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished Texan is serving his first term in the house, representing District 150 of Harris County; and

WHEREAS, Although Representative Hilbert has been a member of the legislature for only a short period of time, he has already earned the admiration and esteem of his colleagues, who desire on this occasion to extend birthday greetings to their good friend;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature hereby wish the Honorable Paul J. Hilbert a Happy Birthday and many more years of outstanding service to the state; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Representative Hilbert as a memento of this day and as a token of the good wishes of the house of representatives.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

On motion of Representative Edwards, the names of all the members of the house were added to HR 177 as signers thereof.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following member was granted leave of absence for today because of important business:

Emmett on motion of G. Thompson.

HCR 96 - ADOPTED

Representative Barrientos moved that all necessary rules be suspended to take up and consider at this time, HCR 96.

The motion prevailed without objection.
The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Barrientos, et al.:

HCR 96

WHEREAS, The Honorable Walter F. Mondale, former vice-president of the United States of America, is an outstanding national statesman; and
WHEREAS, Born January 5, 1928, in Ceylon, Minnesota, his father was a farmer, a rural Methodist minister, and a first-generation immigrant; and
WHEREAS, He attended Macalester College in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and received a bachelor of arts degree in political science from the University of Minnesota in 1951; and
WHEREAS, This patriotic man served in the United States Army from 1951 until 1953; and
WHEREAS, An attorney, he received his law degree from the University of Minnesota in 1956; and
WHEREAS, He married Joan Adams in 1955 and they have three children: Ted, Eleanor Jane, and William; and
WHEREAS, He has led a distinguished career in public service, which began as the Minnesota state attorney general from 1960 to 1964; and
WHEREAS, This accomplished lawmaker served as United States senator from 1964 until 1977; and
WHEREAS, He served as vice-president of the United States of America from 1977 until 1981 and his involvement in presidential affairs was greater than that of most vice-presidents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 68th Legislature, the Senate concurring, That the Honorable Walter F. Mondale be, and is hereby, invited to address a joint session of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the 68th Legislature of the State of Texas in the hall of the house at an early date that is mutually agreeable to him and to the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared for the former vice-president as his official invitation from the Legislature of the State of Texas.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

SB 94 ON THIRD READING
(Agnich - House Sponsor)

The speaker laid before the house on its third reading and final passage,

SB 94, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to hunting and fishing and to the conservation of wildlife resources in all counties; providing penalties.

The bill was read third time and was passed. (Hollowell, Hightower, Kuempel, Patterson, D. Harrison, Schluechter, and McWilliams recorded voting no; Mankins recorded voting yes)

STATEMENT BY REPRESENTATIVE HIGHTOWER

I am opposed to SB 94 because it is a loss for the people to be heard in government.

Hightower

SB 182 ON THIRD READING
(Craddick - House Sponsor)

The speaker laid before the house on its third reading and final passage,
SB 182, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the trade of public school land; requiring reports to the legislature.

A record vote was requested.

The bill was read third time and was passed by (Record 86): 132 Yeas, 1 Nay, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Agnich; Armbrister; Barrientos; Barton, B.; Barton, E.; Blanton; Bomer; Buchanan; Burnett; Bush; Cain; Carriker; Cary; Cavazos; Ceverha; Clark; Clemmons; Colbert; Connelly; Coody; Craddock; Criss; Danburg; Davis; DeLay; Delco; Denton; Eckels; Edwards; Eikenburg; English; Evans, C.; Evans, L.; Finnell; Fox; Gamez; Gandy; Garcia, A.; Gavin; Geistweidt; Gibson, B.; Gibson, J.; Gilley; Glossbrenner; Granoff; Green; Grisham; Hackney; Haley; Hall, L.; Hall, T.; Hall, W.; Hammond; Hanna; Harrison, D.; Harrison, W.; Heflin; Hernandez; Hightower; Hilbert; Hill, A.; Hill, G.; Hill, P.; Hinojosa; Hollowell; Horn; Hudson, D.; Hudson, S.; Hurty; Jones; Keller; Kemp; Khoury; Kubiak; Kuempel; Laney; Lee, D.; Luna; McKenna; Mada; Mankins; Martinez, R.; Martinez, W.; Messer; Milisap; Moreno, A.; Oliveira; Oliver; Patrick; Patronella; Patterson; Pennington; Pierce; Polk; Polumbo; Presnal; Ragsdale; Rangel; Robnett; Rudd; Russell; Salinas; Schlueter; Schoolcraft; Shaw; Shea; Short; Simpson; Smith, A.; Smith, T.; Staniswalis; Stiles; Sutton; Tejeda; Thompson, G.; Thompson, S.; Toomey; Tow; Turner; Uher; Valles; Vowell; Waldrop; Wallace; Watson; Whaley; Wieting; Willis; Wilson; Wolens; Word; Wright.

Nays — McWilliams.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Berlanga; Crockett; Emmett; Garcia, M.; Jackson; Lec, E. F.; Leonard; Parker; Price.

Absent — Arnold; Collazo; Moreno, P.; Peveto; Robinson; Saunders; Smith, C.

SB 131 ON THIRD READING
(Kuempel - House Sponsor)

The speaker laid before the house on its third reading and final passage,

SB 131, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the election, number, and terms of trustees in certain school districts and the validation of actions by a board of trustees improperly composed.

A record vote was requested.

The bill was read third time and was passed by (Record 87): 133 Yeas, 2 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.

Yeas — Agnich; Armbrister; Barrientos; Barton, B.; Barton, E.; Blanton; Bomer; Buchanan; Burnett; Bush; Cain; Carriker; Cary; Cavazos; Ceverha; Clark; Clemmons; Collazo; Connelly; Coody; Craddock; Criss; Danburg; Davis; DeLay; Delco; Denton; Eckels; Edwards; Eikenburg; English; Evans, C.; Evans, L.; Finnell; Fox; Gamez; Gandy; Garcia, A.; Gavin; Geistweidt; Gibson, B.; Gibson, J.; Gilley; Glossbrenner; Granoff; Green; Grisham; Hackney; Haley; Hall, L.; Hall, T.; Hall, W.; Hammond; Hanna; Harrison, D.; Harrison, W.; Heflin; Hernandez; Hightower; Hilbert; Hill, A.; Hill, G.; Hill, P.; Hinojosa; Hollowell; Horn; Hudson, D.; Hudson, S.; Hurty; Jones; Keller; Kemp; Khoury; Kubiak; Kuempel; Laney; Lee, D.; Luna; McKenna; McWilliams; Mada;
Mankins; Martinez, R.; Martinez, W.; Messer; Millsap; Moreno, A.; Oliveira; Oliver; Patrick; Patronella; Patterson; Pennington; Pierce; Polk; Polumbo; Presnal; Ragsdale; Rangel; Robinson; Robnett; Russell; Salinas; Schluter; Schoolcraft; Shaw; Shea; Short; Simpson; Smith, A.; Smith, T.; Staniswalis; Stiles; Sutton; Tejeda; Thompson, G.; Thompson, S.; Toomey; Tow; Turner; Uher; Valles; Vowell; Waldrop; Wallace; Watson; Whaley; Wieting; Willis; Wilson; Wolens; Word; Wright.

Nays — Colbert; Rudd.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Berlanga; Crockett; Emmett; Garcia, M.; Jackson; Lee, E. F.; Leonard; Parker; Price.

Absent — Arnold; Moreno, P.; Peveto; Saunders; Smith, C.

STATEMENT BY REPRESENTATIVE COLBERT

On the vote on 3rd Reading and Final Passage on SB 131, my machine malfunctioned and recorded my vote as No when I intended to vote Aye.

Colbert

SB 259 ON THIRD READING

(Robinson - House Sponsor)

The speaker laid before the house on its third reading and final passage,

SB 259, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authority to fill a vacancy in the office of a joint district-county clerk; amending Article 2355, Revised Statutes, as amended.

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SB 114 ON SECOND READING

(Salinas - House Sponsor)

The speaker laid before the house on its second reading and passage to third reading.

SB 114, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the operations and continuation of the Office of State-Federal Relations; amending Chapter 326, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965, as amended (Article 4413d-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), by amending Sections 1a and 4 and by adding Sections 5a, 8, and 9.

The bill was read second time.

Representative Salinas offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 1, Quoted Sec. 9, of S.B. 114 by adding the following sentence before the word "the":

"The office may accept on behalf of Texas such donations and contributions as in its discretion shall further the purposes and objectives of the office."

The amendment was adopted. (Staniswalis and Khoury recorded voting no)

(Presnal in the chair)
(Speaker in the chair)

A record vote was requested.

The bill, as amended, was passed to third reading by (Record 88): 94 Yeas, 40 Nays, 1 Present, not voting.
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Yeas — Armbrister; Barrientos; Barton, B.; Barton, E.; Bomer; Buchanan; Burnett; Bush; Cain; Carrick; Cary; CavaZos; Clark; Colbert; Collazo; Connelly; Coody; Criss; Danburg; Davis; Delco; Denton; Eckels; Edwards; Evans, C.; Evans, L.; FInnell; Gamez; Gandy; Garcia, A.; Gavin; Gibson, B.; Glossbrenner; Granoff; Grisham; Hackney; Hall, L.; Hall, T.; Hall, W.; Hanna; Harrison, D.; Harrison, W.; Hernandez; Hightower; Hilbert; Hill, A.; Hill, G.; Hill, P.; Hinojosa; Hudson, D.; Hudson, S.; Hury; Kemp; Kubik; Laney; Luna; McWilliams; Madla; Mankins; Martinez, R.; Martinez, W.; Messer; Moreno, A.; Oliveira; Oliver; Patterson; Pierce; Polk; Polumbo; Presnal; Ragsdale; Rangel; Rudd; Russell; Salinas; Shaw; Short; Smith, T.; Siles; Sutton; Tejeda; Thompson, G.; Thompson, S.; Tow; Turner; Uher; Valles; Wallace; Watson; Whaley; Wieting; Wilson; Wolens; Word.

Nays — Agnich; Arnold; Blanton; Ceverha; Clemmons; Craddock; Delay; Eikenburg; English; Fox; Geistweidt; Gibson, J.; Green; Hammond; Heflin; Hollowell; Horn; Jones; Khoury; Kuempel; Lee, D.; McKenna; Millsap; Patrick; Patronella; Pennington; Robinson; Robnett; Schlueter; Schoolcraft; Shea; Simpson; Smith, A.; Smith, C.; Staniswalis; Toomey; Vowell; Waldrop; Willis; Wright.

Present, not voting — Mr. Speaker(C).

Absent, Excused — Berlanga; Crockett; Emmett; Garcia, M.; Jackson; Lee, E. F.; Leonard; Parker; Price.

Absent — Gilley; Haley; Keller; Moreno, P.; Peveto; Saunders.

SB 256 ON SECOND READING
(Rudd - House Sponsor)

The speaker laid before the house on its second reading and passage to third reading,

SB 256, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the probation, license suspension, and license revocation of a child-care facility or child-placing agency; amending the Human Resources Code by amending Subsection (a), Section 42.072 and Section 42.071.

The bill was read second time.

Representative Polk offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend SB 256, first printing, by striking the word "exceed" on line 21, page 1, and substituting the word "extend".

The amendment was adopted without objection.

The bill, as amended, was passed to third reading.

HB 46 ON SECOND READING

The speaker laid before the house on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

HB 46, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to execution of a directive under the Natural Death Act.

The bill was read second time.

Representative Eikenburg offered the following committee amendment to the bill:
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend HB 46, first printing, in the following manner:

(1) Insert “or D.O.” between “M.D.” and the following comma on line 23, page 2.

Committee Amendment No. 1 was adopted without objection.

HB 46, as amended, was passed to engrossment. (A. Smith, Ceverha, Blanton, Wallace, DeLeo, and Wolens recorded voting no)

HB 291 ON SECOND READING

The speaker laid before the house on its second reading and passage to engrossment, the complete committee substitute for HB 291.

CSHB 291

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT
relating to the purchase of handguns from the state by retiring state peace officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. A peace officer who is honorably retired from his commission by the state after serving as a commissioned officer for 20 or more years may purchase at fair market value one handgun issued to him by the state if the handgun is not listed as a prohibited weapon under Section 46.06(a), Penal Code.

SECTION 2. If a peace officer commissioned by the state is killed in the discharge of his official duties as a peace officer, a spouse, parent, grandparent, child, or sibling of the officer may purchase a handgun issued to the officer under the same conditions imposed on a purchase by a retiring officer by Section 1 of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act applies to the purchase of a handgun by a peace officer or his survivors if:

(1) the officer honorably resigned his commission or died on or after September 1, 1979; and
(2) the handgun is included in the state’s inventory and has not been reissued to another officer on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

CSHB 291 was read second time.

Representative English offered the following amendment to CSHB 291:

Amend page 1, line 12 by adding above the age of 17 after the word “officer.”
Amend page 1, line 15 by adding but without regard to the length of service of the deceased officer after the word “Act.”

The amendment was adopted without objection.

Representative English offered the following amendment to CSHB 291:

Amend page 1, line 20 by striking the language after the word “inventory” and strike lines 21 and 22.

The amendment was adopted without objection.

CSHB 291, as amended, was passed to engrossment.
HB 375 ON SECOND READING

The speaker laid before the house on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

HB 375, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authority of the personal representative of a decedent to institute proceedings to determine heirship.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HB 972 ON SECOND READING

The speaker laid before the house on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

HB 972, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to certain deadlines in the Texas Election Code affecting the status of candidates.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment. (A. Smith recorded voting no)

HCR 55 - ADOPTED

The speaker laid before the house the following resolution:

By Kemp, et al.:

HCR 55, Congratulating the Willowridge High School football team.

The resolution was adopted without objection.

PROVIDING FOR A LOCAL AND CONSENT CALENDAR

Representative G. Hill moved to suspend all necessary rules to set a Local and Consent Calendar for Wednesday, March 30, at 9 a.m.

The motion prevailed without objection.

RULES SUSPENDED

Representative Wolens moved to suspend all necessary rules to allow all committees and subcommittees to meet while the House is in session.

The motion prevailed without objection.

COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following committee meetings were announced:

Transportation, Subcommittee on HB 872, on adjournment today, speakers committee room, to consider HB 872.

Transportation, Subcommittee on HB 453 and SB 228, on adjournment today, speakers committee room, to consider HB 453 and SB 228.

Labor and Employment Relations, Subcommittee on HB 69, on adjournment today, speakers committee room, to consider HB 69.

Business and Commerce, Subcommittee on HB 380, on adjournment today, back hall, to consider HB 380.

Business and Commerce, Subcommittee on HB 596, on adjournment today, back hall, to consider HB 596.

Higher Education, on adjournment today, back hall, to consider appropriations mark-up.

Appropriations, 15 minutes after house adjourns today, Room 309, Capitol, to consider HB 409.
State Affairs, Subcommittee on HB 296, 1 p.m. today, Room 151, to consider HB 296.

Urban Affairs, on adjournment today, speakers committee room.

Agriculture and Livestock, Subcommittee on HB 701, 9:30 a.m. Monday, Room C, Reagan Building, to consider HB 701.

State Affairs, Subcommittee on HB 776, on adjournment today, back hall, to consider HB 776.

Agriculture and Livestock, Subcommittee on Farm and Ranch Financing, on adjournment today, back hall, to consider HJR 24 and HB 369.

Financial Institutions, Subcommittee on HB 548, HB 856, HB 801, and HB 628, on adjournment today, reception desk, to consider HB 548, HB 856, HB 801, and HB 628.

Financial Institutions, Subcommittee on HB 172, on adjournment today, reception desk, to consider HB 172.

Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on SB 80, on adjournment today, back hall, to consider SB 80.

Local and Consent Calendars, 11 a.m. today, Room G-14, Capitol.

PROVIDING FOR ADJOURNMENT

Representative Eckels moved that, at the conclusion of the reading of bills and resolutions on first reading and referral to committees, the house adjourn until 2 p.m. Monday.

The motion prevailed without objection.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following senate bill was today laid before the house, read first time and referred to committee:

SB 275 to Committee on Insurance.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following house bills were today laid before the house, read first time and referred to committees:

By Hammond:

HB 1701, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the use of external professional investment managers in investing certain state funds.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By Hammond:

HB 1702, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the composition and meetings of the board of trustees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

(Eckels in the chair)

By Hammond:

HB 1703, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to school districts' local share of the foundation school program.

To Committee on Public Education.
By R. Martinez, et al.:
HB 1704, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the levy and collection of a university center fee at the University of Houston—Downtown College.
To Committee on Higher Education.

By L. Hall:
HB 1705, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the testimony in certain civil and criminal proceedings of children who are victims of sexual abuse or other offenses.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By L. Hall:
HB 1706, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to rehabilitation services for crippled children.
To Committee on Public Health.

By Robinson, et al.:
HB 1707, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the terms of court in the 24th Judicial District.
To Committee on Judicial Affairs.

By Armbrister:
HB 1708, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the carrying of nightsticks by certain campus security personnel; and declaring an emergency.
To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Armbrister:
HB 1709, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to submission of evidence of financial responsibility on registration of a motor vehicle and maintenance of evidence of financial responsibility.
To Committee on Insurance.

By Patrick:
HB 1710, A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing certain investments of Texas insurance companies except those writing life, health and accident insurance, by amending and revising certain provisions of Articles 2.10, 2.10-1, and 6.08, Insurance Code of Texas; repealing Article 8.19, Insurance Code of Texas; repealing laws in conflict and declaring an emergency.
To Committee on Insurance.

By Green:
HB 1711, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage under an automobile insurance policy.
To Committee on Insurance.

By Wolens:
HB 1712, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the reporting of certain traffic accidents.
To Committee on Transportation.

By Leonard, et al.:
HB 1713, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to waiver of defects in indictments and informations and description and definitions therein.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.
By Wieting, et al.:
HB 1714, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the property tax exemption of charitable organizations.
   To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Madia:
HB 1715, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the deposit in the treasury and expenditure of certain revenue of the State Board of Pharmacy.
   To Committee on Public Health.

By Madia:
HB 1716, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the provision of services to alcoholics at the community level.
   To Committee on Public Health.

By Madia:
HB 1717, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene; providing a penalty.
   To Committee on Public Health.

By Madia:
HB 1718, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to a report of a professional nurse who is suspected of being impaired by chemical dependency or mental or physical illness.
   To Committee on Public Health.

By Madia:
HB 1719, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to solid waste management; providing a penalty.
   To Committee on Natural Resources.

By Hernandez:
HB 1720, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to providing compensation for prisoners engaged in work while incarcerated in the Texas Department of Corrections to fund the crime victims compensation fund and to create a prisoner work incentive fund.
   To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Hernandez:
HB 1721, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to credit earned by a prisoner toward reduction of a sentence.
   To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Messer, et al.:
HB 1722, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the duties, functions, and operations of the legislative council.
   To Committee on State Affairs.

By Criss:
HB 1723, A bill to be entitled An Act amending the subject matter of the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act, as amended (Articles 5221b-1, et seq., Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes), as follows: amending Section 5 (Article 5221b-3), providing for disqualification for benefits; and amending Section 19 (Article 5221b-17), providing for definitions; providing for the repeal of all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith and for preserving rights accrued thereunder; providing for the severability of provisions; and declaring an emergency.
   To Committee on Labor and Employment Relations.
By Polumbo:
HB 1724, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to incentive pay for certain peace officers.
To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Polumbo:
HB 1725, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the administration of children's protective services in Harris County.
To Committee on Human Services.

By Danburg:
HB 1726, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to rights of the elderly.
To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

By Danburg:
HB 1727, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to transportation of hazardous waste; providing penalties.
To Committee on Natural Resources.

By Danburg:
HB 1728, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to protective orders under Title 4, Family Code.
To Committee on Judiciary.

By Danburg:
HB 1729, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the consent or lack of consent of a victim of an offense of rape or sexual abuse.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Danburg:
HB 1730, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to revision of the criminal laws relating to the offenses of rape, aggravated rape, rape of a child, sexual abuse, aggravated sexual abuse, and sexual abuse of a child; redefining those offenses as assultive offenses; and revising the elements of and penalties for those offenses.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Danburg:
HB 1731, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the establishment of a Texas Trails System.
To Committee on Environmental Affairs.

By Polumbo:
HB 1732, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to establishment of a temporary emergency relief program in certain communities.
To Committee on Human Services.

By Polumbo:
HB 1733, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the office of county fire marshal and the duties of that office.
To Committee on County Affairs.

By Valles:
HB 1734, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authority of a winery permittee to manufacture wine for home consumption.
To Committee on Liquor Regulation.

By English:
HB 1735, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to sales and use tax exemptions.
To Committee on Ways and Means.
By English:
HB 1736, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the application of the sales and use tax to fertilizer.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By English:
HB 1737, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the application of the sales and use tax to aircraft sold to a foreign government.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Keller:
HB 1738, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to benefits from the Employees Retirement System of Texas for officers and employees of the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.
To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

By Keller:
HB 1739, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to letters of credit and certificates of deposit or savings furnished to secure payment of the gross receipts tax on mixed beverages.
To Committee on Liquor Regulation.

By Keller:
HB 1740, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to ownership requirements for pharmacies.
To Committee on Public Health.

By Keller:
HB 1741, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to advertising regulations under the Private Investigators and Private Security Agencies Act.
To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Russell:
HB 1742, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to peace officers commissioned by certain water districts.
To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Russell:
HB 1743, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the depository for the Titus County Hospital District.
To Committee on County Affairs.

By Russell:
HB 1744, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authorization of certain lotteries and other games of chance.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By Russell:
HB 1745, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to mandatory joint elections held by political subdivisions and to the use of county election precincts and polling places.
To Committee on Elections.

By Schlueter:
HB 1746, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to calculation of the effective tax rate of a taxing unit.
To Committee on Ways and Means.
By Schluter:
HB 1747, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the budget for an appraisal district.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Schluter:
HB 1748, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the clarification of taxable situs rules regarding the allocation to this state of the total market value of movable tangible personal property that is used in interstate, international, and foreign commerce and the determination of the taxing unit in which movable tangible personal property is taxable.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Tejeda, et al.:
HB 1749, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to conflicts of interest of local public officials; providing a penalty.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By Gandy:
HB 1750, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the minimum salary for a fireman, policeman, or member of a sheriff's department; providing a penalty.
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Rudd:
HB 1751, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to owners authorized to apply for pooling of mineral interests.
To Committee on Energy.

By A. Hill:
HB 1752, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the civil jurisdiction of district courts, county courts at law, county civil courts, and other statutory courts exercising civil jurisdiction.
To Committee on Judicial Affairs.

By A. Hill:
HB 1753, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to administration of medications in convalescent homes, nursing homes, and other related institutions; the authority of the Department of Health to grant and revoke the authority of certain persons to administer such medications and to promulgate rules and regulations governing such persons.
To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

By Cary:
HB 1754, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authority of a governmental entity to negotiate a contract for insurance coverage.
To Committee on Insurance.

By D. Harrison:
HB 1755, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to minimum means and methods and retention limits in salt waters of this state, providing reporting and sales procedures and penalties.
To Committee on Environmental Affairs.

By Shea:
HB 1756, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to insurance claim fraud; providing penalties.
To Committee on Insurance.
By Shea:
HB 1757, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to motor vehicle insurance and motor vehicle theft reporting.
To Committee on Insurance.

By McKenna:
HB 1758, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the admissibility in a criminal proceeding of an oral or sign language statement made by the accused.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By McKenna:
HB 1759, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the prosecution, sentencing, and custody of children and to the transfer of custody of certain adults.
To Committee on Judiciary.

By McKenna:
HB 1760, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to evidence admissible at a punishment hearing.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By McKenna:
HB 1761, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to delinquent children and children in need of supervision, the practice and procedure in juvenile court, and the proceedings concerning children with mental illness, retardation, disease or defect.
To Committee on Judiciary.

By Schlueter:
HB 1762, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to delinquent children and children in need of supervision, the practice and procedure in juvenile court, and the responsibility of parents and others for acts of children.
To Committee on Judiciary.

By Schlueter:
HB 1763, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the method by which the comptroller determines a tax liability.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Schlueter:
HB 1764, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to regulation of motor carriers of certain commodities.
To Committee on Transportation.

By Schlueter:
HB 1765, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the definition of “newspaper” in Chapter 151 of the Tax Code.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Shaw:
HB 1766, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the protection by easement of certain real property having natural or historic value.
To Committee on Cultural and Historical Resources.

By Oliveira, et al.:
HB 1767, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to contractors’ bonds and subcontractors’ liens for certain public contracts.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.
By Oliveira, et al.:
HB 1768, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to assistance of small businesses.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By Eckels:
HB 1769, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to imposition of a fee by the Texas Department of Water Resources to be used to pay expenses of inspection of waste treatment facilities.
To Committee on Natural Resources.

By Willis:
HB 1770, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to membership in and benefits from the Employees Retirement System of Texas for elected class service.
To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

By W. Harrison:
HB 1771, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the use of live animals as a lure or quarry in a dog race or in dog coursing.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By B. Barton:
HB 1772, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the exemption of elected law enforcement officers from certification requirements.
To Committee on Law Enforcement.

By Hackney:
HB 1773, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to water and sewer utility service affecting certain major urban areas; providing a penalty.
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Hackney:
HB 1774, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the use of television type receiving equipment in motor vehicles.
To Committee on Transportation.

By Hanna:
HB 1775, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to payment of certain oil and gas proceeds.
To Committee on Energy.

By Carriker, et al.:
HB 1776, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to relief from school taxes on homesteads, residential property, and automobiles owned by individuals, to the creation and allocation of money to the public education sales tax fund, and to the rates of the Limited Sales, Excise, and Use Tax Act and motor vehicle sales, rental, use, and transfer taxes.
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Wolens:
HB 1777, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the formation and administration of municipally created reinvestment zones that qualify for tax increment financing.
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Luna:
HB 1778, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to fees for motor vehicle dealers and providing for bonds for certain motor vehicle dealers.
To Committee on Transportation.
By Luna:

HB 1779, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of the Used Motor Vehicle Commission; regulating used motor vehicle dealers and salesmen and providing bonds for used motor vehicle dealers.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By Presnal:

HB 1780, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the establishment of a nonprofit corporation to issue obligations to pay the costs of acquiring land and constructing and equipping state office buildings and parking facilities.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By Eckels, et al.:

HB 1781, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to authorizing the Commissioners' Court of Harris County to make changes in the Harris County Road Law.
To Committee on County Affairs.

By Eckels:

HB 1782, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the regulation of the motor vehicle repair business and the creation, satisfaction, and enforcement of a possessory lien on a repaired motor vehicle; providing penalties.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By S. Hudson:

HB 1783, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to compensation for work-related injuries incurred by an employee whose employer does not carry workers' compensation insurance.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By Staniswalis:

HB 1784, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to assessment of a state water withdrawal fee and the establishment of the water resources enforcement and conservation fund and providing enforcement by the Texas Department of Water Resources.
To Committee on Natural Resources.

By D. Lee, et al.:

HB 1785, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to changing the name of the Harlingen State Chest Hospital to the South Texas Hospital and to services provided by that hospital.
To Committee on Public Health.

By D. Lee, et al.:

HB 1786, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to appeals of the acts, rulings, and decisions of the Texas Catastrophe Property Insurance Association.
To Committee on Insurance.

By Connelly:

HB 1787, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the discharge of rifles and handguns on public waters and state-owned riverbeds.
To Committee on Environmental Affairs.

By Bush:

HB 1788, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to a temporary readjustment allowance that may be granted on divorce or annulment.
To Committee on Judiciary.
By T. Smith, et al.:

HB 1789, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the powers and duties of a corporation, its directors, and committees and the liabilities of a director of a corporation and to the indemnification of and maintenance of liability insurance for certain corporate directors, officers, employees, agents, and certain nominees and designees identified in this Act; defining "net assets" and methods of determining assets and surplus; amending the Texas Business Corporation Act, as amended, by amending Subsections (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), and (15), Section A, Article 1.02; Section A, Article 2.02; Section F, Article 2.03; Section B, Article 2.16; Article 2.34; Section A, Article 2.36; Sections A and C, Article 2.41; and adding Article 2.02-1 and Sections E and F to Article 2.17; and amending Section B, Article 2.06, Texas Miscellaneous Corporation Laws Act, as amended (Article 1302-2.06, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By Bush:

HB 1790, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to charges for the return of certain checks following their dishonor.

To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By Bush:

HB 1791, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to allowing certain facilities to operate under different standards and the requirements of the certificate of need program; amending Subsection (k), Section 7, Chapter 413, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, as amended (Article 4442c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes).

To Committee on Public Health.

By Patterson:

HB 1792, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the administration of public employee benefit programs.

To Committee on Insurance.

By Burnett:

HB 1793, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the salaries of sheriffs.

To Committee on County Affairs.

By Denton:

HB 1794, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the exemption of volunteer fire department vehicles from compulsory liability insurance requirements.

To Committee on Insurance.

By Leonard:

HB 1795, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to membership on the Governing Committee of the Texas Workers' Compensation Assigned Risk Pool, amending Article 5.76(b), Insurance Code.

To Committee on Insurance.

By P. Moreno:

HB 1796, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to collective bargaining for firemen and policemen.

To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By English:

HB 1797, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to sales and use tax exemptions.

To Committee on Ways and Means.
By Wallace:
HB 1798, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of the offense of and punishment for using or exhibiting a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony offense.
To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Wallace:
HB 1799, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the use, allocation, and distribution of revenue from the state hotel occupancy tax.
To Committee on Cultural and Historical Resources.

By Wallace:
HB 1800, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to restricting the processing, storing, and disposing of Class I industrial solid waste and hazardous waste; providing penalties.
To Committee on Natural Resources.

By Wallace, et al.:
HB 1801, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sales and use tax exemption of certain nonprofit convention and tourist promotional agencies qualifying for exemption from federal income taxation.
To Committee on Cultural and Historical Resources.

By Wallace:
HB 1802, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the Bank of Texas.
To Committee on Financial Institutions.

By Wallace:
HB 1803, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the residency requirement for appointment to offices in certain cities.
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Wallace:
HB 1804, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the hours in a workweek for firemen in certain cities.
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Wallace:
HB 1805, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to transfer of a service station franchise.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By Wallace:
HB 1806, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the prohibition of manufacturing or selling certain beverage cans with detachable openers; providing penalties.
To Committee on Liquor Regulation.

By Wallace:
HB 1807, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to elimination of the requirement of a license plate on the front of certain motor vehicles.
To Committee on Transportation.

By Wallace:
HB 1808, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to issuance of certificates to corporations to act as variable annuity agents.
To Committee on Insurance.
By P. Moreno:

HB 1809, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to offenses of public intoxication and driving while intoxicated, court procedures, and penalties and to the creation and funding of the Compensation to Victims of DWI Fund; amending Subsection (d), Section 24, Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, Regular Session, 1941, as amended (Article 6687b, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); adding a new Chapter 49 to Title 10, Penal Code; amending Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, 1965, as amended by amending Section 6 and adding Subsection (d) to Section 3d, Subsection (d) to Section 3f, and Subsections (c) and (d) to Section 6a; amending Article 42.13, Code of Criminal Procedure, as amended, by amending Section 6c and adding Subsection (d) to Section 3d, Subsections (c) and (d) to Section 6a, and adding Section 3f, amending Section 3, Chapter 189, Acts of the 66th Legislature, Regular Session, 1979 (Article 8309-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), by amending Subdivisions (4) and (10) and amending Section 14 by amending Subsections (a), (b), and (f) and adding Subsection (h); repealing Section 42.08, Penal Code, and Articles 67011-1 and 67011-2, Revised Statutes.

To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By R. Martinez:

HB 1810, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the operation of bicycles upon roadways under certain conditions.

To Committee on Transportation.

By R. Martinez:

HB 1811, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the inclusion of bicycles under the definition of a vehicle.

To Committee on Transportation.

By R. Martinez:

HB 1812, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the rights and duties of a bicyclist upon a sidewalk or roadway.

To Committee on Transportation.

By R. Martinez:

HB 1813, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the right of an employee to engage in political activity; providing a penalty.

To Committee on State Affairs.

By R. Martinez, et al.:

HB 1814, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the classification of theft of services and certain fraud offenses on the basis of the amount of pecuniary loss to another as a result of the offense.

To Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Connolly:

HB 1815, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the authority of the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Department of Water Resources to charge fees for functions they perform under the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

To Committee on Natural Resources.

By Oliver:

HB 1816, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the number of ballots furnished for each election precinct in any election.

To Committee on Elections.
By Oliver:
HB 1817, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the qualifications of watchers in general, special, or primary elections.
To Committee on Elections.

By Oliver:
HB 1818, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the service of process in an election contest.
To Committee on Elections.

By Oliver:
HB 1819, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the duties of persons authorized to conduct marriage ceremonies.
To Committee on Judiciary.

By McKenna:
HB 1820, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the disqualifications for unemployment compensation benefits.
To Committee on Labor and Employment Relations.

By Price:
HB 1821, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of a residential energy assistance program to assist needy people.
To Committee on Human Services.

By Price:
HB 1822, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to a landlord's duty to repair.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.

By Price:
HB 1823, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the coordinating board approval of certain construction, repair, or rehabilitation projects at institutions of higher education.
To Committee on Higher Education.

By Price:
HB 1824, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the recommendations of the Sunset Advisory Commission about the composition of state boards and commissions.
To Committee on State Affairs.

HB 1825 was read first time and referred to the Committee on Financial Institutions on March 17.

By Clemons:
HB 1826, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the use of municipal funds to influence legislation.
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Clemons:
HB 1827, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to meal stops for railroad engine and train crews; providing a penalty.
To Committee on Transportation.

By Hammond:
HB 1828, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the maximum interest rate on certain school district obligations.
To Committee on Public Education.
By Wolens:  
HB 1829, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to intestate succession to separate and community property and the amount of family allowance for a surviving spouse and minor children on death and amending Sections 38, 45 and 287 of the Texas Probate Code.  
To Committee on Judicial Affairs.

By Peveto:  
HB 1830, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to collective bargaining for firemen and policemen.  
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Peveto:  
HB 1831, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the appraisal for ad valorem taxation of property reported to have decreased in value.  
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Peveto:  
HB 1832, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the service of process of an appraisal district or an appraisal review board for purposes of judicial review of a property tax determination.  
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Arnold:  
HB 1833, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to establishment of a juvenile board in Ellis County.  
To Committee on County Affairs.

By Arnold:  
HB 1834, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of the County Court at Law of Ellis County.  
To Committee on Judicial Affairs.

By Berlanga:  
HB 1835, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the establishment of a program of assistance for certain high-risk pregnant women and newborn infants.  
To Committee on Public Health.

By English:  
HB 1836, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the rate of the city hotel occupancy tax.  
To Committee on Ways and Means.

By Davis:  
HB 1837, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of the 347th Judicial District, composed of Brazoria County.  
To Committee on Judicial Affairs.

By Davis:  
HB 1838, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the validation of the incorporation of certain municipalities.  
To Committee on Urban Affairs.

By Hinojosa:  
HB 1839, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the regulation of certain credit casualty insurance.  
To Committee on Insurance.
By Hinojosa:
HB 1840, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to a joint office for certain irrigation districts.
To Committee on Natural Resources.

By L. Evans:
HB 1841, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to prohibited investments for funds of the Employees Retirement System of Texas and the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.
To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

By L. Evans:
HB 1842, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to admission of certain students to the Texas School for the Deaf.
To Committee on Public Education.

By L. Evans, et al.:
HB 1843, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to prohibited investments for funds of the Employees Retirement System of Texas and the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.
To Committee on Retirement and Aging.

By L. Evans:
HB 1844, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the establishment and operation of a state lottery; providing penalties.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By DeLay:
HB 1845, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the duration of a city contract concerning solid waste management.
To Committee on Natural Resources.

By DeLay:
HB 1846, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the conveyance of certain state real property in Fort Bend County.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By Eckels, et al.:
HB 1847, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to possessing an open container of liquor or beer on the premises of a holder of a wine and beer retailer's off-premise permit or a retail dealer's off-premise license in certain counties; providing penalties.
To Committee on Liquor Regulation.

By Ragsdale:
HB 1848, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to authorizing the governing body of any independent school district to sell surplus real property of such district and, additionally, at its option, to issue revenue obligations payable from the proceeds of any such sale; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency.
To Committee on Public Education.

By Messer:
HB 1849, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to fraud in a transaction involving real estate or stock in a corporation or joint stock company.
To Committee on Business and Commerce.
By Messer:
HB 1850, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the operation and continuation of the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner and to its regulatory responsibility concerning pawnshops and certain lenders.
To Committee on Financial Institutions.

By Hightower:
HB 2012, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the importation and transportation of redfish and speckled sea trout; providing penalties.
To Committee on Environmental Affairs.

By Turner, et al.:
HB 2154, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the creation of a committee to interpret state ethics laws.
To Committee on State Affairs.

By Uher:
HB 2240, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to apportionment of Dallas County into representative districts.
To Committee on Regions, Compacts, and Districts.

By Uher:
HB 2241, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to apportionment of El Paso and Bexar counties into representative districts.
To Committee on Regions, Compacts, and Districts.

By Uher:
HB 2247, A bill to be entitled An Act relating to apportionment of certain portions of the state into representative districts.
To Committee on Regions, Compacts, and Districts.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

The following resolutions were laid before the house and referred to committees:

By Gilley:
HR 169, In memory of William Jasper Price.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Armbrister:
HR 170, Congratulating the Stroman High School freshman boys' basketball team.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Hury:
HR 171, Commending Walter Hall, Sr.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Short:
HR 172, In memory of Kenneth L. Dawson.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By W. Harrison:
HR 173, Congratulating the Calallen High School girls' basketball team.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Clemons:
HR 174, Commending the Central High Drill Team.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.
By Connelly:

HR 175, Congratulating the Joan Link Elementary School PTA of Houston.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Laney:

HR 179, Congratulating the Hale Center High School girls' basketball team.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Laney:

HR 180, Congratulating the Sudan High School girls' basketball team.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

By Laney:

HR 181, Congratulating the Dimmitt High School boys' basketball team.
To Committee on Rules and Resolutions.

HB 1621 - CORRECTION IN REFERRAL

HB 1621, relating to certain fees charged by the secretary of state was inadvertently referred to the Committee on State Affairs. The chair, after consultation with author and chairmen of the respective committees, now corrects the referral of HB 1621, to the Committee on Elections.

HB 958 - CORRECTION IN REFERRAL

HB 958, relating to the regulation and taxation of the exchange of foreign currency was inadvertently referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. The chair, after consultation with author and chairmen of the respective committees, now corrects the referral of HB 958, to the Committee on Business and Commerce.

ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with a previous motion, the house, at 11:07 a.m. adjourned until 2 p.m. Monday.

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Favorable reports have been filed by committees on bills and resolutions, as follows:

- Appropriations - HB 1130
- Business and Commerce - HB 131, HB 449, SB 320
- Elections - HB 943, HB 957, HB 998, HB 1121
- House Administration - HCR 96
- Judicial Affairs - HB 385, HB 527, HB 553, HB 724, HB 1031
- Judiciary - HB 613, HJR 4
- Law Enforcement - SB 251
- Retirement and Aging - HB 1214
- Rules and Resolutions - HCR 116, HCR 125, HCR 128, HCR 129, HR 126, HR 127, HR 128, HR 131, HR 133, HR 136, HR 139, HR 141, HR 142, HR 145, HR 146, HR 148, HR 149, HR 153, HR 154, HR 157, HR 158, HR 161
The following members were granted permission by the authors to sign bills and resolutions as coauthors:

HB 572 - Shea, W. Harrison
HB 632 - Eikenburg, Ceverha, Armbrister
HB 1527 - R. Martinez, Gamez
HB 1628 - L. Hall
HB 1632 - Presnal
HB 1704 - E. F. Lee
HB 1707 - Armbrister
HB 1713 - Waldrop, Toomey
HB 1714 - A. Smith
HB 1722 - Laney, Wilson, Rudd, Hinojosa
HB 1749 - Madla, Gamez
HB 1767 - D. Lee, Luna
HB 1768 - D. Lee, Luna
HB 1776 - Kubiak, Grisham, B. Barton, Clemons, Crockett
HB 1781 - Connelly
HB 1785 - Oliveira, Rangel, Hinojosa, A. Garcia, A. Moreno
HB 1786 - Oliveira
HB 1789 - Bush
HB 1801 - W. Harrison
HB 1809 - Valles
HB 1814 - Patronella
HB 1843 - E. F. Lee
HB 2154 - Jackson, Madla, Presnal, DeLay, Stiles, B. Barton, English, G. Thompson, Hightower, Buchanan, Grisham
HJR 100 - Gamez
HJR 101 - Gandy