THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1967

Nays---4

Grover
Hardeman
Absent—Excused
Berry

Adjourment

On motion of Senator Aikin the Senate at 3:22 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

THIRTY-THIRD DAY

(Thursday, March 9, 1967)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Senator Aikin.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin
Bates
Bernal
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Connally
Creighton
Grover
Hall
Hardeman
Harrington
Hazard
Herring
Wilson

Absent—Excused
Berry

A quorum was announced present.

(Chairman in the Chair.)

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation.

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

Leave of Absence

Senator Berry was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Bates.

Bills and Resolution Signed

The President signed in the presence of the Senate after the caption had been read, the following enrolled bills and resolution:

S. B. No. 37, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to and fixing minimum and maximum salary of the
Official Shorthand Reporter for the 43rd Judicial District of Texas; and declaring an emergency.

S. B. No. 38, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 23, Acts of the Fifty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, which created the Middle Sabine River Navigation District, by adding territory thereto; appointing and providing residence requirements of the board of directors of such district; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 84, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System to deposit in an appropriate university account all funds received as administrative fees or charges for services rendered to trust estates and to use such funds for educational purposes; and declaring an emergency."

S. C. R. No. 32, Recommending study of retirement age policies of State Departments.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives
Austin, Texas,
March 9, 1967.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

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

S. B. No. 362, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to assessment of taxes in Hospital Districts located in counties having more than 650,000 population according to the last preceding Federal Census, having teaching facilities affiliated with a state-supported medical school, and organized pursuant to Chapter 257, Acts of the 54th Legislature, 1955, as amended (Article 4494n, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); amending Chapter 287 Acts of the 54th Legislature, 1955, as amended (Article 4494n, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), to add a new Section 2b; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 605, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to penalties for transportation of animals from areas under quarantine; amending Section 21, Chapter 53, Acts of the 41st Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1929, (Article 1525c, Vernon's Texas Penal Code), and Section 4, Chapter 118, Acts of the 57th Legislature, Regular Session, 1961, (Article 1525g, Vernon's Texas Penal Code); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 171, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the duties to be performed by the Texas Water Development Board; amending Section 1, Chapter 37, Acts of the 41st Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 1929, as amended (Article 7537a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 346, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 4, Acts of the 43rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1933 (Article 6243a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), by adding a new Section 1A to authorize the Board of Trustees for certain Firemen, Policemen, and Fire Alarm Operators' Pension Funds to employ an investment counselor and to compensate him from the pension fund; to amend Sections 2 and 3, Chapter 4, Acts of the 43rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1933, as last amended by Chapter 387, Acts of the 44th Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1935, (Article 6243a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), to increase the maximum permissible deduction and rate of contribution by participants to the fund; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 176, "A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Articles 7496, as amended, 7497, 7498, 7499, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and Section 3, Chapter 136, General Laws, Acts of the 39th Legislature, Regular Session, 1925, (Article 7499a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), relating to presentations to the Texas Water Rights Commission; and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Ratliff submitted the following report:

H. C. R. No. 52, Commending to all the people of Texas the observance of Veterans Day.

H. C. R. No. 55, In memory of Vincent W. Miller.
Austin, Texas, March 9, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on Oil and Gas, to which was referred H. B. No. 196, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

RATLIFF, Chairman.

Senator Christie submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on State Departments and Institutions, to which was referred S. B. No. 392, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

CHRISTIE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on State Departments and Institutions, to which was referred S. B. No. 281, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

CHRISTIE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on State Departments and Institutions, to which was referred S. B. No. 188, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

CHRISTIE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on State Departments and Institutions, to which was referred S. B. No. 352, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

CHRISTIE, Chairman.

Senator Cole submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on Education, to which was referred S. B. No. 182, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

COLE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on Education, to which was referred S. B. No. 286, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

COLE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on Education, to which was referred S. B. No. 375, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

COLE, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 8, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on Education, to which was referred S. B. No. 352, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

COLE, Chairman.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives
Austin, Texas, March 9, 1967.
Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

S. B. No. 176, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing the office of County Superintendent, and transferring its duties to the County Judge,
in certain counties; and declaring an emergency.”

(With Amendments.)

H. B. No. 253, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Article 7467c, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, being the article authorizing the granting of seasonal and temporary permits to appropriate water, by limiting to three years the period of time for which a temporary permit may be granted; and declaring an emergency.”

H. C. R. No. 56, Inviting the Honorable Ramsey Clark to address a Joint Session of the 60th Legislature at 12 noon on March 13, 1967.

Respectfully submitted,
DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Senate Bills and Resolutions
on First Reading

The following bills and resolutions were introduced, read first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

By Senators Blanchard, Strong and Schwartz:
S. B. No. 427, A bill to be entitled “An Act relating to prohibiting inducements to attend a state-supported college or university; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Education.

By Senator Connally:
S. B. No. 428, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Articles 8306, 8307 and 8309, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, establishing the Texas Workmen's Compensation Board, prescribing its powers, duties, functions and procedures to provide an administrative system for assuring payment of workmen's compensation insurance benefits to injured employees, fixing a benefits rate, providing for appeal from Board actions, defining certain terms, preserving existing rights, repealing Acts of the 42nd Legislature, 1931, Chapter 248, Section 1, as amended, codified as Article 8306a, Vernon's Revised Civil Statutes; Acts of the 42nd Legislature, 1931, Chapter 208, Section 1, codified as Article 8307a, Vernon's Revised Civil Statutes; Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, Chapter 178, Section 6a, codified as Section 1A of Article 8308, Vernon's Revised Civil Statutes; and Section 18a of Article 8308, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, and repealing certain other laws to the extent of conflict; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Connally:
S. B. No. 429, A bill to be entitled “An Act creating the 170th Judicial District; providing for its court and for the jurisdiction, terms, personnel, administration, and practice of the court; amending Subdivisions 49 and 79, Article 199, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Legislative, Congressional and Judicial Districts.

By Senator Connally:
S. B. No. 430, A bill to be entitled “An Act implementing the provisions of Section 1-d, Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to assessment of lands designated for agricultural use; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Agriculture and Livestock.

By Senator Connally:
S. B. No. 431, A bill to be entitled “An Act exempting citizens of Texas with a family income of not more than $4,8000.00 from the payment of tuition and fees at institutions of collegiate rank and providing qualifications and requirements for eligibility; providing a method of administration; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Education.

By Senator Reagan:
S. B. No. 432, A bill to be entitled “An Act relating to filing affidavits with the county clerk before a marriage license may be issued; amending Article 4640, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senators Hightower and Connally:
S. B. No. 433, A bill to be entitled “An Act providing for the establishment of a Texas Agricultural Develop-
ment Board; giving such Board certain authority and responsibility; providing for cooperation of existing agencies; authorizing interagency contracts; repealing statutes and portions of statutes in conflict; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hightower:
S. B. No. 434, A bill to be entitled “An Act authorizing the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to sell an exclusive and perpetual right to use, draw and take all water in, under and upon a certain described tract of land in Wilbarger County with all water lines and improvements located thereon; prescribing the manner of sale; providing for the disposition of the proceeds; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

By Senator Aikin:
S. B. No. 435, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending subsection 3 of Section 3, Chapter 470, Acts of the 45th Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 1937, as amended, relating to termination of membership in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas; providing that absence from service does not terminate membership under certain conditions; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Education.

By Senator Mauzy:
S. B. No. 436, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending the Election Code of the State of Texas to provide a registration system for voters and to require registration as a prerequisite for voting in all elections; providing that the county tax assessor-collector shall be the registrar of voters in each county; providing for biennial registration and prescribing procedures therefor; providing for automatic renewal of registration by voting in a primary or general election for nominating or electing state and county officers; providing for challenge of registrations and for cancellation of registrations; providing for identification of voters at the polls; prescribing certain criminal offenses related to registration and voting, and providing penalties therefor; making other provisions for effectuating the purposes of the Act; repealing inconsistent and conflicting laws; providing for effective date; providing for severability; and declaring an imperative public necessity for suspension of the Constitutional Rule on the reading of bills.”

To the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Senator Hazlewood:
S. B. No. 437, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 172, Acts 1937, Forty-fifth Legislature, codified as Article 166-3, Vernon’s Annotated Civil Statutes, by changing and modernizing definitions of milk and certain milk products to conform with definitions adopted by the United States Public Health Service; declaring legislative intent; authorizing the Commissioner of Health to promulgate regulations under prescribed procedures; requiring uniformity of standards; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Hazlewood:
S. B. No. 438, A bill to be entitled “An Act relating to the testing of milk and cream; providing a penalty; amending Articles 5728, 5736b (Article 1057b, Vernon’s Texas Penal Code), and 5736d, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 439, A bill to be entitled “An Act prescribing a method of ascertaining assessable value for tax purposes of property of any trust forming part of a pension plan, disability or death benefit plan, profit-sharing or stock bonus plan of an employer for the exclusive benefit of employees or their beneficiaries by providing for deduction of liabilities to employees and their beneficiaries; fixing the taxable situs of property owned by any such trust; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senators Parkhouse and Wade:
S. B. No. 440, A bill to be entitled “An Act authorizing the establishment of a Technical University at the Southwest Center for Advanced Studies in Dallas and Collin counties,
with powers to award degrees; authorizing the Board of Regents of The University of Texas to carry out the intent of the Act; providing for power to contract, and receive gifts and to make preliminary plans; providing for the expending of appropriated funds; making an appropriation; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 441, A bill to be entitled “An Act providing for the use of compensatory regulations for the purpose of preserving land for reservoirs, water supply, forest, and other open space uses.”

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 442, A bill to be entitled “An Act conferring the power of eminent domain upon the Texas Water Development Board; making other provisions relating thereto; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 443, A bill to be entitled “An Act providing for the periodic review, re-evaluation, and approval by the Texas Water Rights Commission of local master plans for water development; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 444, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Section 21, Chapter 425, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended (Section 21, Article 8280-9, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes) authorizing the Texas Water Development Board to create a centralized data bank for all hydrologic data collected in this state, providing for the travel expenses for certain employees; transferring the functions of the State Reclamation Engineer to the Texas Water Development Board; declaring unlawful the construction or maintenance of levees without approval of plans by the Texas Water Development Board; providing penalties; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 445, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Chapter 425, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended (Section 24, Article 8280-9, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes) relating to the sponsorship of water resource development projects in this state; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

(Senator Blanchard in the Chair.)

By Senator Parkhouse:
S. B. No. 446, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Section 15, Chapter 425, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended, (Section 15, Article 8280-9, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes) to authorize the Texas Water Development Board to purchase or retire outstanding prior lien water bonds of a political subdivision; to prescribe the interest rate at which all bonds purchased by the Board shall bear, and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Schwartz:
S. B. No. 447, A bill to be entitled “An Act relating to adoption by the State Board of Insurance of rules and regulations providing for an assigned risk plan for fire and casualty insurance; amending Chapter 21, Texas Insurance Code, by adding Article 21.75; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Insurance.

(President in the Chair.)

By Senator Schwartz:
S. B. No. 448, A bill to be entitled “An Act creating the Texas Public Service Commission; containing definitions; providing for appointment and eligibility of members of said Commission; prescribing powers and duties of said Commission; imposing certain duties and restrictions upon public utilities regulated by said Act; providing for fees and other charges to be paid by public utilities; providing for public utility certification, providing for hearings and procedure before said Commission; providing for
court review of acts and orders of the Commission exercising regulatory authority over defined public utilities; providing for miscellaneous matters with respect to said Commission; repealing Articles 1420, 1421, 1423, 1424, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1428, 1429, 1430, 1431, and 1432, Texas Revised Civil Statutes and all other laws or parts of laws in conflict; providing severability; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Herring:

S. B. No. 449, A bill to be entitled “An Act relating to the establishment by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas of a medical branch of The University of Texas within the County of Travis, State of Texas, to be known as The University of Texas Medical School at Austin; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Schwartz:

S. B. No. 450, A bill to be entitled “An Act relating to the occupation tax on billiard tables; amending Paragraph (10), Article 19.01, Taxation-General, Title 122A, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Herring:

S. B. No. 451, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Section 1 of Chapter XIII, Page 525, Acts of the 12th Legislature, perfecting title to certain property of the City of Austin; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

By Senator Herring:

S. B. No. 452, A bill to be entitled “An Act to amend Article 4551d, Chapter 9, Title 71, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes, as amended, providing for severance, repealing and emergency clauses.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senators Aikin and Strong:

S. B. No. 453, A bill to be entitled “An Act providing that the rates of per diem wages, legal holiday overtime wages paid by the Texas Highway Department to employees paid on an hourly basis shall be set by the biennial Appropriations Act; repealing laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Finance.

By Senators Hardeman and Bernal:

S. B. No. 454, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Senate Bill No. 36, Page 544, General Laws of the State of Texas, Acts of the Forty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, 1939, as amended by House Bill No. 611, Chapter 562, Page 914, General and Special Laws of the State of Texas, Forty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, 1941, as amended, which is codified as Article 695c, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes, by amending Subsection (1) of Section 12, Subsections (2) and (4) of Section 16-B, Subsection (3) of Section 17, Section 19, Subsection (2) of Section 20, Sections 38 and 41 of said Article; repealing Subsection (4) of Section 12, Subitem 5 of Subsection (1) and Subsection (5) of Section 16-B, and Subsection (4) of Section 20; lowering the age requirement for Aid to the Blind; repealing the provisions prohibiting the payment of assistance grants to individuals in institutions; authorizing assistance to individuals in institutions; redefining the term “permanent and total disability”; amending the relative support provision for Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled; raising the age requirement for Aid to the Blind; repealing the provisions prohibiting the payment of assistance grants to individuals in institutions; authorizing Old Age Assistance payments to non-citizens; requiring appropriate State Departments or Agencies to enter into agreements for Medical Assistance; authorizing Medical Assistance to recipients outside the State on a temporary basis; fixing an effective date for paying assistance grants; providing a repealing clause, a savings clause, and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hardeman:

S. B. No. 455, A bill to be entitled “An Act concerning standards of physical safety, medical, psychiatric and rehabilitative care at State tuberculosis hospitals, State mental hospitals and State schools for the retarded; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Christie:

S. B. No. 456, A bill to be entitled
"An Act relating to the charge of the court submitted to juries in the trial of civil cases; repealing all laws, parts of laws, and rules of practice in conflict herewith; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Christie:

S. B. No. 457, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the district court, county court, or county court at law to submit its charge to the jury by means of a general charge rather than by special issues; repealing laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Christie:

S. B. No. 458, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the regulation of weather modification operations; providing for the powers and duties of the Texas Water Development Board in weather modification operations; providing for the issuing of licenses and permits; providing fees and penalties; and defining terms; relating to cooperative agreements for weather modification and cloud seedings; and providing other matters properly relating thereto, and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Creighton:

S. B. No. 459, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 9 and Section 10, Chapter 721, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965 (Uniform Commercial Code); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senators Cole and Hightower:

S. B. No. 460, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the certification and regulation of vocational nursing; providing for a Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners, its organization, duties, and procedure; amending and revising Chapter 118, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, 1951, as amended (Article 4528c, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Brooks:

S. B. No. 461, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to hospitals furnishing emergency services to persons brought to the hospital in emergency situations; amending Chapter 223, Acts of the 56th Legislature, Regular Session, 1959, as amended (Article 4437f, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), to add Section 18; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Brooks:

S. B. No. 462, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the taking of exposed shell deposits and the dredging near navigation channels, shorelines, game refuges, wildlife sanctuaries, or public parks; relating to the issuance and cancellation of permits; prescribing a penalty; amending Article 4053, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Game and Fish.

By Senators Brooks, Jordan and Cole:

S. B. No. 463, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the Harris County Road Law, Acts 1913, 33rd Legislature, Special Laws, Page 64, Chapter 17, as amended, by adding thereto Section 31-E to provide that when the Commissioners' Court shall determine that any real property, or interest therein, heretofore or hereafter acquired by Harris County for road purposes is no longer needed for road purposes, the Commissioners' Court shall have the power to sell such real property, or such Court shall have the power to exchange any such real property for any other real property needed by Harris County for road purposes; providing a priority system for the sale of such real property; providing that all monies derived from sales of such real property shall be deposited to the credit of the Road and Bridge Fund of Harris County; authorizing execution of quitclaim deeds to owners of the fee of certain property no longer needed for road purposes; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

By Senators Kennard, Brooks, Creighton, Mauzy, Cole, Herring, Jordan, Hall, Parkhouse, Wade and Schwartz:

S. B. No. 464, A bill to be entitled "An Act directing the Board of Regents of the University of Texas..."
to establish and maintain an Institute for Urban Studies in the Fort Worth-Dallas metropolitan area and the Board of Regents of the University of Houston to establish and maintain an Institute for Urban Studies in the Houston metropolitan area; providing for the duties of said Institutes; providing for organization and administration of said Institutes; authorizing the acceptance and use of funds, property and services by said Institutes; and declaring an emergency.

To the Committee on Education.

By Senators Kennard, Watson, Hazlewood and Wilson:

S. B. No. 465, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Texas Dairy Commission and prescribing its organization, powers, and duties with respect to regulation of the milk industry; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Kennard:

S. B. No. 466, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the Court of Domestic Relations No. 2 of Tarrant County; providing for its jurisdiction, terms, personnel, administration, and practice; amending Chapter 278, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965 (Article 2338-15a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

By Senator Kennard:

S. B. No. 467, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the Court of Domestic Relations No. 1, of Tarrant County; providing for its jurisdiction, terms, personnel, administration, and practice; amending Chapter 6, Acts of the 57th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 1962 (Article 2338-15, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

By Senator Moore:

S. B. No. 468, A bill to be entitled "An Act re-apportioning the 155th Judicial District and making necessary related provisions; amending Chapter 509, Acts of the 55th Legislature, Regular Session, 1957, as amended (Article 199(155), Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Legislative, Congressional and Judicial Districts.

By Senator Bernal:

S. B. No. 469, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 6146 through 6161 of Title 107 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, regulating pawnbrokers, by adding thereto a provision authorizing the governing bodies of cities to enact ordinances containing more stringent regulations pertaining to pawnbrokers; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Bernal:

S. B. No. 470, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating ad valorem tax bonds heretofore issued, sold, and delivered by any city for public recreation tower structure purposes; validating all elections, proceedings, ordinances, and other acts pertaining to all such bonds; declaring all such bonds incontestable and authorizing the final and immediate dismissal of all litigation pending in any court questioning or contesting the validity of all such bonds have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Bernal:

S. B. No. 471, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing the death penalty for certain capital offenses and substituting "life imprisonment with parole rights restricted" as the maximum punishment for crime, with exceptions, in this state; amending Articles 33, 47, 48, 64, 84, 1189, 1257, and 1408, Penal Code of Texas, 1925; amending Section 1, Chapter 12, Acts of the 42nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1931, as amended (Section 1, Article 1177a, Vernon's Texas Penal Code), and Section 23, Chapter 169, Acts of the 45th Legislature, Regular Session, 1937, as amended (Section 23, Article 725b, Vernon's Texas Penal Code); amending Section 15, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure of Texas, 1965; repealing Article 309, Penal Code of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.
By Senator Bernal:
S. B. No. 472, A bill to be entitled "An Act to be known as the Home Improvement Contractors Licensing Law, defining a home improvement contractor; setting up a regulatory board; providing for pay, tenure, meetings, selection, and removal of such board; establishing a registrar for those licensed under this law; providing for methods of obtaining licenses, setting fees, and grounds for removal; providing for review of registrar's decisions by the board, and review of the board's decisions, for forfeiture of license for prescribed conduct; prohibiting one who is not licensed from certain advertising, providing for invalidity of a mechanics and builders lien by an unlicensed operator, requiring bond from licensed home improvement contractors; providing for renewal and re-issuance of licenses suspended or revoked under certain circumstances; providing penalties and creating penal offenses; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency."
To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Bernal:
S. B. No. 473, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of chapter 19, Acts of the 57th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, relating to city airport revenue bonds, so as to make said chapter applicable to all cities, including home rule cities, having population of 500,000 or more according to the last preceding federal census; and declaring an emergency."
To the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

By Senator Bernal:
S. B. No. 474, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 7146 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, defining real property for the purpose of taxation, to include in such definition trailers or mobile homes, except those located within an assessing unit for less than 60 days or which are unoccupied and not for sale."
To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Brooks:
S. B. No. 475, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that any nonprofit educational corporation which is exempt from Federal income taxes, maintains a regular theater-school program and offers apprenticeship training for college students and others in theater management and operation and related skills shall be deemed an institution of purely public charity and all its property shall be exempt from ad valorem taxes, although such corporation offers plays to which an admission is charged, provided that a majority of such plays have significant literary merit of the character which contributes to the educational program of secondary schools, colleges or universities; and declaring an emergency."
To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Watson:
S. B. No. 476, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting offers to sell and sales of merchandise below cost for the purpose of injuring competitors or destroying competition; defining terms; providing for unlawful practices, providing for evidence of intent to injure competition; providing a criminal penalty for violation; authorizing actions for injunctive relief and stating the parties who may maintain such actions; excepting certain types of sales from the provisions of the Act; providing a savings clause; stating the effect of the Act on existing laws; and declaring an emergency."
To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Watson:
S. B. No. 477, A bill to be entitled "An Act to add to the Insurance Code (Acts of 1951, 52nd Legislature, Chapter 491) a new article providing that insurance companies, as defined herein, may be placed under supervision if, upon an examination or at any other time, it appears to the Commissioner of Insurance that any such insurance company be insolvent, or its condition be, in the opinion of the Commissioner, such as to render the continuance of its business hazardous to the public, or to holders of its policies or certificates of insurance, or if such insurance company appears to have exceeded its powers or failed to comply with the law, as defined herein, or if any such company gives its consent, as defined herein; providing that the Commissioner of Insurance shall
notify the company of his determination and such company shall have thirty (30) days under the supervision of the Commissioner of Insurance within which to comply with the requirements of the Commissioner of Insurance, and in the event of its failure to comply within such time, the Commissioner of Insurance, acting for himself, or through a Conservator appointed by the Commissioner of Insurance for that purpose, shall immediately, after due and proper notice and hearing, take charge of the company, and all of the properties and effects thereof; providing a Supervisor or a Conservator may be appointed by the Commissioner of Insurance; prescribing the authority of the Commissioner of Insurance, Supervisor, and Conservator; authorizing the Commissioner of Insurance, Supervisor or Conservator to take certain action; providing that certain acts by the Conservator shall not constitute a preference of creditors; providing this act shall also apply to insurance companies, as defined herein, that are not domiciled in the State of Texas, whether authorized to do business in the State of Texas or not; providing that in the event that the Commissioner of Insurance makes any finding that such out-of-state insurance company be insolvent, or its condition be, in the opinion of the Commissioner, such as to render continuance of its business hazardous to the public, or to holders of its policies or certificates of insurance, or if such company appears to have exceeded its powers or failed to comply with the law, as defined herein, or that any such insurance company is not possessed of the minimum surplus or capital or capital stock required by the Insurance Code of the State of Texas for similar type domestic companies, or if a conservator, rehabilitator, receiver or liquidator has been appointed in the state of domicile, or if the company gives its consent, as defined herein, the Commissioner of Insurance shall have the same power and jurisdiction to appoint a Supervisor or Conservator as to the assets of such out-of-state insurer located in this state as provided herein for domestic companies; providing for an expeditious appeal to and review by the State Board of Insurance and the District Court of Travis County, Texas; providing venue for suits brought by or against companies placed in conservatorship; providing for adoption and promulgation of rules and regulations by the State Board of Insurance for the augmentation of the act and the purposes of this act; a provision setting forth the purposes of this act; providing that this act shall be cumulative of other provisions of law; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Insurance.

By Senator Watson:

S. B. No. 478, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide protection for the loss claimant under all types of fire and casualty insurance coverage in the event of insolvency, liquidation, or bankruptcy of his insurance carrier by providing for a preference in the payment of his loss claim and by requiring insurance carriers writing fire and casualty insurance coverage to accumulate and maintain reserves for the payment of both loss claims and loss claim administrative expenses of those insurance carriers which are involved in an insolvency, liquidation, or bankruptcy proceeding; providing for a short title; containing statements of purpose; providing for issuance of administrative rules and regulations and the power to suspend or revoke an insurance carrier's charter or certificate of authority; providing for a civil suit for collection from insurance carriers in default; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Insurance.

By Senator Watson:

S. B. No. 479, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 1 of the Insurance Code, as amended, by adding a new Article, numbered Article 1.14-1, on unauthorized insurance; amending Chapter 1 of the Insurance Code by adding a new Article, numbered Article 1.14-2, on surplus lines insurance, in lieu of Article 21.38, and repealing Article 21.38; subjecting certain persons and insurers to the jurisdiction of the State Board of Insurance; declaring the Legislature's concern with the protection of Texas residents against acts by persons and insurers not authorized to do an insurance business in Texas; defining the business of insurance and acts which constitute the doing of an insurance business; prohibiting the doing of an insurance business except as provided by specific
authorization of statutes; providing a method and procedure for serving process on the Insurance Commissioner and the Secretary of State in proceedings in which unauthorized insurers are parties; establishing procedures in actions in which unauthorized persons or insurers are defendants; providing reasonable attorneys' fees to be included in judgments against defendants who have refused, without reasonable cause, to make payment in accordance with their contracts; declaring certain contracts unenforceable by unauthorized persons and insurers; requiring the investigation and disclosure of information relating to certain contracts of insurance; requiring the reporting of certain information relating to contracts made with unauthorized persons or insurers; providing a tax based on premiums paid to unauthorized persons and insurers; providing penalties for non-payment or tardy payment of such taxes; providing penalties for the doing of any act of insurance by an unauthorized person or insurer; making special provisions for the placing of insurance with unauthorized persons or insurers if the desired coverage is unobtainable from licensed insurers and designating such coverage as “surplus lines insurance”; declaring the Legislature's purpose in regulating the placing of surplus lines insurance; prescribing the requirements for contracts of surplus lines insurance; providing for the licensing of agents to procure insurance from surplus lines insurers; establishing eligibility for the purchase of surplus lines insurance; establishing a procedure for effecting surplus lines insurance contracts; prescribing standards of eligibility of surplus lines insurers; declaring the validity of surplus lines coverage procured in accordance with this Act; providing that premium payments to surplus lines agents shall be deemed payments to surplus lines insurers; providing a method of serving process on surplus lines insurers; providing a tax on premiums paid to surplus lines insurers; authorizing the Attorney General to proceed in the courts to recover taxes; authorizing surplus lines agents to advertise; making certain provisions with respect to commissions of surplus lines agents; requiring the keeping of records by surplus lines agents and the filing of reports by such agents; providing penalties for violations by surplus lines agents; providing severability; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Insurance.

By Senator Word:

S. B. No. 480, A bill to be entitled “An Act declaring construction payments and loan receipts to be trust funds; defining wrongful disbursement and misapplication of trust funds as a misdemeanor and felony and attaching a penalty; containing a severability clause; containing a savings clause; providing that the defined offense shall not be exclusive and that the State may elect to prosecution for other offenses; making the Texas Trust Act inapplicable and the application of the Act inapplicable to bonded jobs, closing agents and lending institutions; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 481, A bill to be entitled “An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution of Texas, comprising certain territory contained in Denton County, Texas, to be known as “Denton Creek Authority” (hereafter called District); constituting the same a governmental agency and body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries thereof and declaring that the creation of said District is essential to the accomplishment of the purposes of Section 59 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution; providing that the purposes of the act are to provide for construction, acquisition and operation of water supply, waste disposal and anti-pollution facilities for municipal, domestic and industrial uses; providing for a board of directors, their terms, the filling of vacancies, the selection of successors, fixing their compensation, prescribing the duties and qualifications of such directors, and fixing their respective terms; prescribing the rights, powers, privileges and duties of said District; making applicable to the District Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes, relating to eminent domain; providing for surveys by District, exempting such surveyors from tres-
pass and fixing penalty for anyone knowingly interfering with such surveys; providing for water, waste disposal and anti-pollution contracts with District; exempting District from deposits for costs, cost bonds or supersedeas bonds; prescribing the purposes for which indebtedness may be created and bonds of District may be issued, the method of securing the payment thereof, and the procedure and terms for the issuance and sale of such bonds; providing for the refunding of the District's indebtedness and bonds; providing for submission of bond issues to the Attorney General for approval and registration thereof by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds so approved and registered; exempting the District's bonds and property from taxation; providing for procedures for protection of bond holders if bonds become in default or default thereof is threatened; providing that bonds of District shall be authorized investments in certain instances and eligible to secure deposit of certain funds; prohibiting the District from levying or collecting taxes or assessments or creating any debt payable out of taxes or assessments; providing that the District shall have power to fix rates and charges for water, waste disposal and anti-pollution service furnished; enacting provisions incident and relating to the subject; providing for liberal construction of the act; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 482, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution of Texas, comprising certain territory contained in Denton County, Texas, to be known as "Hickory Creek Authority" (hereinafter called District); constituting the same a governmental agency and body politic and corporate; defining the boundaries thereof and declaring that the creation of said district is essential to the accomplishment of the purposes of Section 59 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution; providing that the purposes of the act are to provide for construction, acquisition and operation of water supply, waste disposal and anti-pollution facilities for municipal, domestic and industrial uses; providing for a board of directors, their terms, the filling of vacancies, the selection of successors, fixing their compensation, prescribing the duties and qualifications of such Directors, and fixing their respective terms; prescribing the rights, powers, privileges and duties of said District; making applicable to the District Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes, relating to eminent domain; providing for surveys by District, exempting such surveyors from trespass and fixing penalty for anyone knowingly interfering with such surveys; providing for water, waste disposal and anti-pollution contracts with District; exempting District from deposits for costs, cost bonds or supersedeas bonds; prescribing the purposes for which indebtedness may be created and bonds of District may be issued, the method of securing the payment thereof, and the procedure and terms for the issuance and sale of such bonds; providing for the refunding of the District's indebtedness and bonds; providing for submission of bond issues to the Attorney General for approval and registration thereof by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; providing for the incontestability of bonds so approved and registered; exempting the District's bonds and property from taxation; providing for procedures for protection of bond holders if bonds become in default or default thereof is threatened; providing that bonds of District shall be authorized investments in certain instances and eligible to secure deposit of certain funds; prohibiting the District from levying or collecting taxes or assessments or creating any debt payable out of taxes or assessments; providing that the District shall have power to fix rates and charges for water, waste disposal and anti-pollution service furnished; enacting provisions incident and relating to the subject; providing for liberal construction of the act; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 483, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the operation of ten-month school year program(s)
in Texas public free school districts, conditioned upon the approval thereof by the Central Education Agency as meeting policy and regulations established by the State Board of Education; providing for the financing of such program(s) annually approved, and the method for the determination of the cost to be shared by the State and for payment thereof from the Minimum Foundation School Fund; providing an effective date for this Act; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Education.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 484, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting television "blackouts" of professional football games in certain circumstances; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 485, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the creation of special improvement districts within this state under and by virtue of Article 3, Section 52, of the Constitution, to be known as municipal special improvement districts, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof; prescribing how such districts may be created; defining their rights, powers and privileges and the manner of their exercise; constituting such districts, when created, governmental agencies and bodies politic; providing for the construction and maintenance of improvements; granting such districts the power to levy taxes and cause the same to be assessed and collected, and to issue bonds and create indebtedness to raise funds for the objects of their creation, and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 486, A bill to be entitled "An Act permitting investment of life insurance company funds, the permanent university fund, the permanent school fund, and the funds of the teachers' retirement system, the employees' retirement system, and the municipal retirement system in bonds issued, assumed, or guaranteed by the Inter-American Development Bank; amending Subdivision A, Part I, Article 3.39, Texas Insurance Code as amended; Paragraph (a), Article 2669, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; and Section 1, Chapter 55, page 83, Acts of the 42nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1931 (Article 2591a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senators Hall and Christie:

S. B. No. 487, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 10, Chapter 88, Acts of the 41st Legislature, Second Called Session, 1929, as amended (codified in Vernon's as Article 6675a-10, Vernon's Civil Statutes), so as to raise the amount to be retained by counties of collections made on license fees for various motor vehicles; making other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 488, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 734b, Penal Code of Texas, so as to provide for six members of the State Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists, to be appointed by the Governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 489, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Texas Board of Private Detectives, Investigators, Patrolmen, and Guards; providing for licensing of investigators, patrolmen, and guards; requiring a surety bond to be filed for a license; setting the requirements and fees for licenses; providing for denial, revocation, or suspension of licenses; providing penalties for violation of the Act; amending Article 484, Chapter 4 of the Texas Penal Code to allow licensees to carry sidearms; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hall:

S. B. No. 490, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the North Texas Municipal Water District; adding section 1a and amending sections 3(b) and 7 of Chapter 62, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, 1951 (Article 8280-
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141, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Aikin:

S. B. No. 491, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Section 6, Position Classification Act of 1961, Acts 1961, 57th Legislature, page 238, chapter 123, Article 6252-11 Vernon’s Civil Statutes Annotated, to establish the procedures whereby the State Classification Officer will, with the approval of the Legislative Audit Committee, establish new classifications, and adjust allocations to existing salary ranges; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Aikin:

S. B. No. 492, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Section 6, Position Classification Act of 1961, Acts 1961, 57th Legislature, page 238, chapter 123, Article 6252-11 Vernon’s Civil Statutes Annotated, to establish the procedures whereby the State Classification Officer will assist in the recruitment of applicants; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Grover:

S. B. No. 493, A bill to be entitled “An Act to establish the Texas Air Control Board and eight (8) Regional Air Control Commissions, prescribe their powers, duties, functions, and procedures, and to provide for the establishment of standards of air quality and the control, prevention, and abatement of air pollution; validating actions of the Texas Air Control Board created by Chapter 687, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965 (Article 4477-4, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes); providing penalties; repealing Chapter 687, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965 (Article 4477-4, Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Grover:

S. B. No. 494, A bill to be entitled “An Act authorizing the Legislature of the State of Texas to make appropriations to cities; providing a basis for determining the amount of such sums; providing for apportionment of monies by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; establishing a special fund for such appropriations; providing that provisions of the Act shall be severable; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Grover:

S. R. No. 495, A bill to be entitled “An Act authorizing the Legislature of the State of Texas to make appropriations to cities; providing a basis for determining the amount of such sums; providing for apportionment of monies by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; establishing a special fund for such appropriations; providing that provisions of the Act shall be severable; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Grover:

S. B. No. 496, A bill to be entitled “An Act making an appropriation to the Texas Fine Arts Commission for the purpose of music education and music appreciation; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on Finance.

By Senator Blanchard:

S. B. No. 497, A bill to be entitled “An Act establishing a Uniform Crime Reporting System requiring local and county police officers to submit certain information concerning the nature and volume of crime occurring within their respective jurisdictions to the Department of Public Safety; empowering the Department of Public Safety to collect and gather such information and make statistics thereon; authorizing the Department of Public Safety to make rules and regulations to accomplish the institution and operation of such uniform system; to designate the division of the Department of Public Safety as the agency which shall receive such information; requiring the Department of Public Safety to make an annual report on the results of such information to the Governor and the Legislature; and declaring an emergency.”

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Blanchard:

S. B. No. 498, A bill to be entitled “An Act amending Sec. 44, Chap. 421, p. 967, Acts of the 50th Leg., 1947, as amended (codified as Sec. 44 of Art. 6701d, Vernon’s Civil Statutes), by increasing the amount of damage re-
required before an accident report is submitted from Twenty-five Dollars ($25) to Fifty Dollars ($50) and providing that a certificate from the Department of Public Safety that no accident report has been filed shall be prima facie evidence of failure to comply with the provisions of the Act; amending Sec. 43, Chap. 421, p. 967, Acts of the 50th Legislature, 1947, as amended (codified as Sec. 43 of Art. 6701d, Vernon's Civil Statutes), by adding property damage of Fifty Dollars ($50) to those cases which require an immediate report of accidents; amending Sec. 47, Chap. 421, p. 967, Acts of the 50th Legislature 1947, as amended (codified as Sec. 47 of Art. 6701d, Vernon's Civil Statutes), by providing that accident reports are confidential and privileged and not be used as evidence in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of such accident; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Senator Herring:

S. B. No. 499, A bill to be entitled "An Act repealing Chapter 23, Acts of the 56th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 1969 (Article 8280-242, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Water and Conservation.

By Senator Patman:

S. B. No. 500, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 952-L-12, Penal Code of Texas, 1925, to add Twin Lakes, Cedar Lake, Swan Lake, Panther Point Lake, Cottonwood Bayou, and Shell Reef Bayou to protected waters in Calhoun County; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on Game and Fish.

By Senator Patman:

S. B. No. 501, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to investment authority of the State Depository Board; amending Articles 2625 and 2532, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Connally:

S. J. R. No. 32, Proposing an amendment to Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding a Section 1-e providing for a gradual abolition of the property tax levied by Article VII, Section 3; an abolition of the Two Cent ad valorem tax levied by Article VII, Section 17 after December 31, 1976; providing that the Ten Cent ad valorem tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, shall not be levied after December 31, 1978; and providing for deletion of references to ad valorem taxes in Article III, Section 51.

To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Aikin:

S. J. R. No. 33, Proposing an amendment to Section 5, Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended, to provide for annual legislative sessions.

To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Wade:

S. J. R. No. 34, Proposing an amendment of the Article VII, Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding a new Section to be numbered 1-d, to provide that all bills to raise revenue must receive the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Legislature.

To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Bernal:

S. J. R. No. 35, Proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 12 to provide that the Legislature may authorize the creation of regional hospital districts composed of all or part of one or more counties; providing for the issuance of bonds for hospital purposes and for the levy of taxes to pay the district's bonds and for operating and maintaining the district; providing for certain specialized medical services that may not be otherwise available or accessible to all citizens of the State; designating a single state agency for the coordination and supervision of said hospital districts and providing other terms and conditions for accomplishing the purposes of this amendment.

To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.
Senate Resolution 231

Senator Creighton offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Sgt. Billy D. Klonaris, has been chosen as an outstanding soldier for the quarter, of the Fourth Army area; and

Whereas, Sgt. Klonaris is a veteran of the War in Viet Nam; and

Whereas, He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Klonaris of Fort Worth, and is a graduate of C. F. Brewer High School in Fort Worth; and

Whereas, Sgt. Dixon G. Arment, was chosen as the other outstanding soldier, for the Fourth Army area for the quarter; and

Whereas, He is a veteran of the War in Viet Nam; and

Whereas, Sgt. Arment was awarded the nation's second highest award, the Distinguished Service Cross, for outstanding courage in disbanding a group of Viet Cong and holding them at bay until reinforcements arrived; and

Whereas, Sgt. Arment and his family now reside at Fort Wolters, near Mineral Wells, Texas; and

Whereas, The people of Texas take great pride in our servicemen and the job they are doing, and look with deep affection and spirit of friendship and admiration for these men and their families; and

Whereas, The Texas Legislature wishes to pay tribute to these two outstanding servicemen, and to recognize the honor which each so justly serves; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the 60th Legislature, That the resolution stand in tribute to the courage and honor of Sgt. Dixon Arment and Sgt. Billy Klonaris.

KENNARD CREIGHTON

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Creighton by unanimous consent presented Sergeant Dixon Arment and Sergeant Billy Klonaris to the Members of the Senate.

The Members gave the distinguished guests a standing ovation.

House Bill on First Reading

The following bill received from the House, was read the first time and referred to the Committee indicated:

H. B. No. 577, to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns.

Report of Standing Committee

Senator Hall by unanimous consent submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,
March 9, 1967.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns, to which was referred H. B. No. 577, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

HALL, Chairman.

House Bill 577 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Patman and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 577 was ordered not printed.

House Bill 196 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Hardeman and by unanimous consent H. B. No. 196 was ordered not printed.

Message From the House

Hall of the House of Representatives
Austin, Texas,
March 9, 1967.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

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

The House has granted the request of the Senate for the appointment of a Conference Committee on Senate Bill No. 64.

House conferees: Field, McKissack, Kohler, Orr, Braecklein.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 58 by non-record vote.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY HALLMAN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 35

Senator Hall offered the following resolution:
S. C. R. No. 35, To set allowable assets for recipients of needy blind or old age assistance.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That it is the sentiment and desire of the Texas Legislature that the State Public Welfare Department adopt a rule allowing applicants for and recipients of aid to the needy blind or old age assistance to possess as much as $2,000 in reserve assets at any given time, regardless of the source from which the assets are received, without being subject to denial of assistance grants or applications, if otherwise eligible; the assets may take the form of any combination of cash monies, paid-up insurance, burial policies, bonds, or other property; and, be it Resolved, That all resolutions here-tofore adopted, which are in conflict with this Resolution, be rescinded; and be it further Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Executive Director and to each member of the Public Welfare Department of the State of Texas.

The resolution was read and was referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

House Concurrent Resolution 56 on Second Reading

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 56, Providing Joint Session to hear address of the Honorable Ramsey Clark on March 13, 1967, at 12:00 o’clock m.

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Hardeman and by unanimous consent the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 36

Senator Herring offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 36, Authorizing the State Building Commission to execute agreements to vacate certain city streets and alleys and relocate traffic arteries in the Capitol Complex.

Whereas, The Texas Highway Department, the County of Travis, and the City of Austin, in cooperation with the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, have jointly prepared a comprehensive transportation plan for the system of highways and streets necessary to serve the Capital City and to meet the requirements for continuing Federal participation in various highway programs for said area; and

Whereas, The expansion of the Capitol Complex makes it necessary to vacate certain streets and alleys that now carry heavy volumes of traffic into and around the Capitol area, and to reroute, relocate or create certain new traffic arteries necessary to serve said area; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring: That the State Building Commission, be and is hereby authorized to execute agreements with the Texas Highway Department, the City of Austin, the County of Travis, or the United States Department of Commerce Bureau of Public Roads, for the vacation of city streets and alleys adjacent to property under the control of said State Building Commission, and for the rerouting, relocation, or creation of specified types and dimensions of traffic arteries upon areas of property controlled by the State Building Commission, the total of which areas upon State property shall not exceed the total areas of the city streets and alleys to be vacated pursuant to such agreements.

The resolution was read and was referred to the Committee on State Departments and Institutions.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 37

Senator Cole offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 37, Granting United Gas Pipe Line Company permission to sue the State of Texas.

Whereas, United Gas Pipe Line Company is a Delaware corporation doing business in the State of Texas in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas; and

Whereas, United Gas Pipe Line Company paid to the State of Texas dedicated reserve gas taxes in the amount of $41,953.53 for the month of September, 1961, such taxes having been levied by Article VI, House
Bill No. 20, Acts 1961, 57th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, page 71, Chapter 24, which Act has been declared unconstitutional by the Austin Court of Civil Appeals, the Texas Supreme Court having refused writ of error, in the case styled Calvert v. Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co., 371 S.W. 2d 601 (Tex. Civ. App.—Austin, 1963, error refused, n.r.e.); and

Whereas, The Austin Court of Civil Appeals, the Texas Supreme Court having refused writ of error, has held that taxes paid under the Act were unlawfully extracted and that said Act was void and of no force or effect; and

Whereas, There is no provision in the laws of the State of Texas to determine accurately and definitely what amount of taxes, if any, should be returned; and

Whereas, In order to determine definitely and accurately the same, it is the policy of the Legislature to let a court of competent jurisdiction pass upon the same; and

Whereas, It is the policy of the Legislature to give and grant to persons and corporations the right to litigate any allegedly valid claim against the State of Texas in a court of competent jurisdiction; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate of Texas, the House of Representatives concurring, That United Gas Pipe Line Company be and it is hereby granted permission to bring suit against the State of Texas in any court of competent jurisdiction in Travis County, Texas, to recover judgment against the State of Texas for all amounts of money alleged to have been herefore illegally extracted and paid by United Gas Pipe Line Company under said unconstitutional law, and service of citation for the purposes herein granted may be served upon the State of Texas by serving the Attorney General, the State Treasurer and the Comptroller of Public Accounts; and, be it further

Resolved, That such suit may be filed within two years from the effective date of this Resolution; and, be it further

Resolved, That it is understood that the purpose of this Resolution is solely to grant permission to bring suit against the State of Texas and no admission of the liability on the part of the State of Texas or any fact is made by this Resolution, and it is specifically provided that the facts upon which they seek to recover must be proved in court as in other civil cases; and, be it further

Resolved, That no interest shall be paid to United Gas Pipe Line Company in the event a final judgment is obtained by it for recovery of taxes paid under Article VI, House Bill No. 20, Acts 1961, 57th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, page 71, chapter 24; provided if a final judgment is obtained by United Gas Pipe Line Company, all increases in rates obtained on the basis of taxes paid under said Act shall be refunded in full to all those having paid such rate increases.

The resolution was read and was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Co-author of Senate Bill 433

On motion of Senator Hightower and by unanimous consent Senator Connally will be shown as Co-author of S. B. No. 433.

Senate Bill 176 With House Amendment

Senator Ratliff called S. B. No. 176 from the President's Table for consideration of the House amendment to the bill.

The President laid the bill and the following House amendment before the Senate:

Amendment 1

Amend Senate Bill 176 by striking all below the enacting clause and substituting therefor the following:

Sec. 1. The office of County Superintendent is abolished in all counties having a population of not less than 40,000 nor more than 40,400 according to the last preceding Federal Census. After the effective date of this Act, the duties of the office shall be performed by the County Judge as ex-officio County Superintendent.

Sec. 2. 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 ef-
fect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

The House amendment was read.

Senator Ratliff moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yea—30
Aikin
Bates
Bernal
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Connally
Creighton
Grover
Hall
Hardeman
Harrington
Hazlewood
Herring

Yeas—25
Aikin
Bates
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Creighton
Grover
Hall
Hardeman
Harrington
Herring

Absent—Excused
Berry

The President laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading:

H. B. No. 196, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to provide for the leasing of coal, lignite, sulphur and potash that may be upon and within surveys, and portions of surveys, that have heretofore been sold with all minerals reserved to the State; constituting the owner of the soil the agent of the State for the purpose of leasing such minerals, upon such terms as may be prescribed by the School Land Board; providing for one-half (½) of all bonuses, rentals and royalties to be paid by the lessee to the State, and like amounts to the owner of the soil; providing that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is given the right to reject and refuse to file any lease submitted which he feels is not to the best interest of the State; etc. and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read the second time.

Senator Schwartz offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. No. 196 by striking the words and numbers "one-half (½)" in Sec. 2 thereof where they appear and substituting the words and numbers sixty per cent (60%) and striking the words "like amounts" and substituting the words and numbers "forty per cent (40%)."

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The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Kennard offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House Bill 196, Section 10, by striking out all of the language following the semi-colon after the word "repealed" and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"provided that any rights acquired under and pursuant to Article 5388 et seq. prior to the effective date of
this Act shall not be affected by such repeal, and the rights, powers, duties and obligations conferred or imposed by such laws with reference thereto shall be governed by the laws herein repealed."

The amendment was read and was adopted.

On motion of Senator Hardeman and by unanimous consent the caption was amended to conform to the body of the bill as amended.

The bill as amended was passed to third reading.

House Bill 196 on Third Reading

Senator Hardeman moved that Senate Rule 32 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 196 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—26
Aikin
Bates
Bernal
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Creighton
Grover
Hardeman
Harrington
Herring
Hightower

Absence
Connally
Hall

Absent—Excused
Berry

The President then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26
Aikin
Bates
Bernal
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Creighton
Grover
Hardeman
Harrington
Herring
Hightower

Absence
Connally
Hall

Absent—Excused
Berry

House Bill 577 on Second Reading

Senator Patman moved that Senate Rules 13, 32 and 38 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that H. B. No. 577 be placed on its second reading and passage to third reading and on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28
Aikin
Bates
Bernal
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Creighton
Grover
Hardeman
Harrington
Herring
Hightower

Absence

Hall

Absent—Excused
Berry

The President then laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to third reading the following bill:

H. B. No. 577, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the election by trustees of certain independent school districts; amending Section 2, Chapter 36, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965 (Article 2775£,
The bill was read the second time and was passed to third reading.

House Bill 577 on Third Reading

The Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days having been suspended the President laid H. B. No. 577 before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read the third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin
Bates
Bernal
Blanchard
Brooks
Christie
Cole
Connally
Creighton
Grover
Hardeman
Harrington
Hazelwood
Herring

Hightower
Jordan
Kennard
Mauzy
Moore
Parkhouse
Patman
Ratliff
Reagan
Schwartz
Strong
Wade
Watson
Wilson

Hall
Word

Absent—Excused

Berry

Memorial Resolutions

S. R. No. 228—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for George T. Koch. (Amended and adopted.)

S. R. No. 229—By Senator Watson: Memorial resolution for Rip McKenzie.


Welcome Resolutions

S. R. No. 232—By Senator Herring: Extending welcome to the League of Women Voters of San Marcos.

S. R. No. 233—By Senator Herring: Extending welcome to Seventh and Eighth Grade Classes of St. Louis School of Austin.

S. R. No. 234—By Senator Herring: Extending welcome to teacher and students of Travis Heights School of Austin.


Adjournment

On motion of Senator Aikin the Senate at 12:16 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 11:00 o'clock a.m. Monday, March 13, 1967.

APPENDIX

Reports of Standing Committee

Senator Hardeman submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,
March 9, 1967.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, to which was referred:

S. B. No. 37, "An Act relating to and fixing minimum and maximum salary of the official shorthand reporter for the 43rd Judicial District of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HARDEMAN, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1967.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Enrolled Bills to which was referred:

S. B. No. 38, "An Act amending Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 23, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, which created the Middle Sabine River Navigation District, by adding territory thereto; appointing and providing residence requirements of the board of directors of such District; and declaring an emergency."

has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

HARDEMAN, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1967.

Hon. Preston Smith, President of the Senate.
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<td>Sir: We, your Committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, to which was referred:</td>
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| "S. B. No. 84, "An Act authorizing the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System to deposit in an appropriate university account all funds received as administrative fees or charges for services rendered to trust estates and to use such funds for educational purposes; and declaring an emergency."
| has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled. |
| HARDEMAN, Chairman. |
| Sent to Governor |
| March 9, 1967 |
| S. C. R. No. 32 |
| S. B. No. 37 |
| S. B. No. 38 |
| S. B. No. 84 |
In Memory of

Mrs. L. M. Morphew

Senator Hightower offered the following resolution:

(Senate Resolution 227)

Whereas, In the passing of Mrs. L. M. Morphew, June 26, 1965, the City of Paris has suffered the loss of one of its loveliest ladies; and

Whereas, Mrs. Morphew had been a resident of Lamar County for many years, having been born in Delta County, the daughter of T. H. and Elva Hatton Sissel; and

Whereas, Mrs. Morphew was the mother of Mrs. A. M. Aikin, Jr., wife of our esteemed Senator; and

Whereas, Mrs. Morphew had endeared herself to a host of friends while actively participating in Garden Club work and in garden therapy for the Lamar County School for Exceptional Children; and

Whereas, Mrs. Morphew is survived by her husband, her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Aikin, Jr.; two grandsons, A. M. Aikin III, of Paris, and Kenneth Morphew, Jr., of Houston; and one brother, Carl Sissel, of Dumas; and

Whereas, It is the desire of the Senate to honor the memory of Mrs. Morphew and to express its sympathy to the surviving members of her family; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Texas, That it does hereby extend sincere sympathy to Mrs. L. M. Morphew's family; that copies of this Resolution be sent to members of the family by the Secretary of the Senate, under the seal of the Senate; that a page in the Journal be set aside for this Resolution; and that when the Senate adjourns today it do so in honor of Mrs. L. M. Morphew.

HIGHTOWER
WORD
HALL


The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Parkhouse and by unanimous consent the names of the Lieutenant Governor and all Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was then adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.
In Memory of

Vincent W. Miller

Senator Brooks offered the following resolution:

(Senate Concurrent Resolution 34)

Whereas, Pasadena, Harris County, and the State of Texas lost one of its giants in the field of education with the untimely loss of Vincent W. Miller on March 7, 1967; and

Whereas, Mr. Miller had served as Harris County School Superintendent since 1961, and in this capacity had instituted a vigorous and effective county education system providing invaluable services and assistance to all the school districts of Harris County; and

Whereas, This native of Shelbyville began teaching in 1924 at a two-teacher country schoolhouse in Nolan County; and

Whereas, In 1927 Mr. Miller became principal and athletic coach at Cleveland High School, and later was principal at Raymondville High School in Kingsville and Charles Bender High School in Humble; and

Whereas, In 1936 he was elected superintendent of schools in Dayton where he served nine years; and

Whereas, He became superintendent of schools in Pasadena in 1945 where he served until his resignation in 1961 to take his position with Harris County; and

Whereas, Mr. Miller was nominated in October, 1966, as one of three candidates for president-elect of the Division of County and Intermediate Unit Superintendents of the National Educational Association; and

Whereas, He also served as President of the Texas State Teachers Association in 1959-60, and was recently named Educator of the Month for February by the Texas School Business magazine; and

Whereas, Mr. Miller had served as president of the Pasadena Rotary Club, member of the board of directors of the Community Council of Houston, and member of the executive committee of the Sam Houston Area Council, Boy Scouts of America; and

Whereas, He also had served as a member of the boards of directors of the Family and Children Service Bureau, the Neighborhood Centers Association, and the United Fund of Houston and Harris County; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the 60th Legislature, with the House of Representatives concurring, adjourn this day in memory of Vincent W. Miller; and, be it further

Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be sent with deepest sympathy to his family.

BROOKS
AIKIN


The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Cole and by unanimous consent the names of the Lieutenant Governor and all Senators were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was then adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.