

**SUBJECT:** Naming certain state buildings

**COMMITTEE:** State Affairs — favorable, without amendment

**VOTE:** 12 ayes — Wolens, S. Turner, Bailey, Counts, Craddick, Hunter, D. Jones, Longoria, Marchant, McCall, McClendon, Merritt

0 nays

3 absent — Brimer, Danburg, Hilbert

**WITNESSES:** None

**BACKGROUND:** Government Code, sec. 2165.005 governs the naming of buildings owned by the state, including a building financed under the Texas Public Finance Authority. The name proposed by the General Services Commission may be approved and authorized only by concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature and signed by the governor. A building, other than a university building or prison, used as a state or regional headquarters for a state agency may bear the name of a person only if the person is deceased and was significant to the state's history.

**DIGEST:** HB 1026 would add a secure correctional facility operated by the Texas Youth Commission to the exceptions to the prohibition against state buildings being named only after deceased persons who were significant to Texas history.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2001.