SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.091 to read as follows:

Sec. 225.091. TROOPER RANDY VETTER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) The portion of Interstate Highway 35 between River Ridge Parkway and Farm-to-Market Road 150 in Hays County is designated as the Trooper Randy Vetter Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:
   (1) design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Trooper Randy Vetter Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information; and
   (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 18, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 16, 2013: Yeas 29, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.
Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 234

H.B. No. 252

AN ACT
relating to water shortage reporting by water utilities and providers of wholesale water service.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 13, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 13.148 to read as follows:

Sec. 13.148. WATER SHORTAGE REPORT. (a) A retail public utility and each entity from which the utility is obtaining wholesale water service for the utility's retail system shall notify the commission when the utility or entity is reasonably certain that the water supply will be available for less than 180 days.

(b) The commission shall adopt rules to implement this section and prescribe the form and content of notice required under this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 19, 2013: Yeas 137, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 252 on May 17, 2013: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 3 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 15, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 235

H.B. No. 259

AN ACT
relating to electioneering conducted near a polling place.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 61.003, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:
Sec. 61.003. ELECTIONEERING AND LOITERING NEAR POLLING PLACE [PROHIBITED].

SECTION 2. Section 61.003, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) and amending Subsection (b) to read as follows:

(a-1) The entity that owns or controls a public building being used as a polling place may not, at any time during the voting period, prohibit electioneering on the building's premises outside of the area described in Subsection (a), but may enact reasonable regulations concerning the time, place, and manner of electioneering.

(b) In this section:

(1) “Electioneering” includes the posting, use, or distribution of political signs or literature.

(2) “Voting period” means the period beginning when the polls open for voting and ending when the polls close or the last voter has voted, whichever is later.

SECTION 3. The heading to Section 85.036, Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 85.036. ELECTIONEERING [PROHIBITED].

SECTION 4. Section 85.036, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b) and (f) to read as follows:

(b) The entity that owns or controls a public building being used as an early voting polling place may not, at any time during the early voting period, prohibit electioneering on the building's premises outside of the area described in Subsection (a), but may enact reasonable regulations concerning the time, place, and manner of electioneering.

(f) In this section:

(1) “Early voting period” means the period prescribed by Section 85.001.

(2) “Electioneering” includes the posting, use, or distribution of political signs or literature.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on May 1, 2013: Yeas 136, Nays 6, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 20, 2013: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 236

H.B. No. 308

AN ACT relating to a school district's recognition of and education regarding traditional winter celebrations.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 29, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 29.920 to read as follows:

Sec. 29.920. WINTER CELEBRATIONS. (a) A school district may educate students about the history of traditional winter celebrations, and allow students and district staff to offer traditional greetings regarding the celebrations, including:

(1) “Merry Christmas”;

(2) “Happy Hanukkah”; and

(3) “happy holidays.”