(b) The Office of Small Business Assistance shall establish the task force.

c) The task force is composed of seven members appointed as follows:
   (1) three members appointed by the governor;
   (2) two members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and
   (3) two members appointed by the lieutenant governor.

d) A task force member serves a two-year term. A task force member may be reappointed for additional terms.

e) Task force members serve without compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

(f) The task force shall meet as often as necessary but shall meet at least once a year.

g) The task force shall:
   (1) advise and assist the Office of Small Business Assistance with its duties under Section 481.0068(b) to the extent that they relate to small businesses;
   (2) advise and assist the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives with issues that relate to small businesses; and
   (3) provide information in plain language to the public on issues related to small businesses, including:
      (A) environmental permitting and compliance;
      (B) local regulations;
      (C) construction permitting;
      (D) the duties of the comptroller to the extent that the duties relate to small businesses; and
      (E) the formation of business entities.

(h) Not later than January 1 of each odd-numbered year, the task force shall submit to the legislature a report that:
   (1) describes issues related to small businesses; and
   (2) proposes legislation to assist small businesses.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint the members of the Office of Small Business Assistance Advisory Task Force as required by Section 481.00681, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. 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 8, 2013: Yeas 133, Nays 14, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3714 on May 23, 2013: Yeas 134, Nays 6, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2013: Yeas 27, Nays 4.

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CHAPTER 1104

H.B. No. 3739

AN ACT

relating to the continued employment of municipal employees who become candidates for public office.

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

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SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the Senator Mario Gallegos Act.

SECTION 2. Chapter 150, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter C to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER C. EMPLOYEES AS CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE

Sec. 150.041. PROHIBITED MUNICIPAL ACTIONS. (a) In this section, "candidate" has the meaning assigned by Section 251.001(1), Election Code.

(b) A municipality may not prohibit a municipal employee from becoming a candidate for public office.

(c) A municipality may not take disciplinary action against a municipal employee, including terminating the employment of the employee, solely because the employee becomes a candidate for public office. However, the employee is still expected to fulfill all the duties and responsibilities associated with their municipal employment.

SECTION 3. 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 2, 2013: Yeas 145, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3739 on May 23, 2013: Yeas 135, Nays 5, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 20, 2013: Yeas 28, Nays 3.

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CHAPTER 1105

H.B. No. 3787

AN ACT relating to the determination of an applicant's eligibility for any program administered by the Health and Human Services Commission.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 521.044(a) and (c), Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Information provided on a driver's license application that relates to the applicant's social security number may be used only by the department or disclosed only to:

(1) the child support enforcement division of the attorney general's office;
(2) another state entity responsible for enforcing the payment of child support;
(3) the United States Selective Service System as provided by Section 521.147; [or]
(4) the unclaimed property division of the comptroller's office; or
(5) the Health and Human Services Commission.

(c)(1) On the request of a state entity responsible for investigating or enforcing the payment of child support, the department shall disclose information regarding an applicant's social security number.

(2) On the request of the Health and Human Services Commission and for the purpose of assisting the commission in determining an applicant's eligibility for any program administered by the commission, the department shall disclose information regarding an applicant's social security number.

SECTION 2. If before implementing any provision of this Act a state agency determines that a waiver or authorization from a federal agency is necessary for implementation of that