(d) The commissioners court may not close a beach or access points to the beach on a primary launch date consisting of any of the following days without the approval of the land office:

(1) the Saturday or Sunday preceding Memorial Day;
(2) Memorial Day;
(3) July 4;
(4) Labor Day; or
(5) a Saturday or Sunday that is after Memorial Day but before Labor Day.

(e) The commissioners court must comply with the county’s beach access and use plan adopted and certified under Section 61.015 and dune protection plan adopted and certified under Chapter 63 when closing a beach or access point under this section.

(f) The land office may:

(1) approve or deny a beach or access point closure request under Subsection (d);
(2) enter into a memorandum of agreement with the commissioners court of a county to which this section applies to govern beach and access point closures made under this section; and
(3) adopt rules to govern beach and access point closures made under this section.

SECTION 4. 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 April 25, 2013: Yeas 135, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 9, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved May 24, 2013.
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CHAPTER 153
S.B. No. 181
AN ACT
relating to verification of motor vehicle financial responsibility information.

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

SECTION 1. Section 601.053, Transportation Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (c) and adding Subsections (d), (e), and (f) to read as follows:

(a) As a condition of operating in this state a motor vehicle to which Section 601.051 applies, the operator of the vehicle on request shall provide to a peace officer, as defined by Article 2.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, or a person involved in an accident with the operator evidence of financial responsibility by exhibiting:

(1) a motor vehicle liability insurance policy covering the vehicle that satisfies Subchapter D or a photocopy of the policy;
(2) a standard proof of motor vehicle liability insurance form prescribed by the Texas Department of Insurance under Section 601.081 and issued by a liability insurer for the motor vehicle;
(2-a) an image displayed on a wireless communication device that includes the information required by Section 601.081 as provided by a liability insurer;
(3) an insurance binder that confirms the operator is in compliance with this chapter;
(4) a surety bond certificate issued under Section 601.121;
(5) a certificate of a deposit with the comptroller covering the vehicle issued under Section 601.122;
(6) a copy of a certificate of a deposit with the appropriate county judge covering the vehicle issued under Section 601.123; or
(7) a certificate of self-insurance covering the vehicle issued under Section 601.124 or a photocopy of the certificate.

(c) Subsection (b) does not apply if the peace officer determines through use of the verification program established under Subchapter N that financial responsibility has been established for the vehicle. If a peace officer has access to the verification program, the officer may not issue a citation for a violation of Section 601.051 unless the officer attempts to verify through the program that financial responsibility has been established for the vehicle and is unable to make that verification.

(d) The display of an image that includes financial responsibility information on a wireless communication device under Subsection (a)(2-a) does not constitute effective consent for a law enforcement officer, or any other person, to access the contents of the wireless communication device except to view the financial responsibility information.

(e) The authorization of the use of a wireless communication device to display financial responsibility information under Subsection (a)(2-a) does not prevent:

1. a court of competent jurisdiction from requiring a person to provide a paper copy of the person's evidence of financial responsibility in a hearing or trial or in connection with discovery proceedings;
2. the commissioner of insurance from requiring a person to provide a paper copy of the person's evidence of financial responsibility in connection with any inquiry or transaction conducted by or on behalf of the commissioner.

(f) A telecommunications provider, as defined by Section 51.002, Utilities Code, may not be held liable to the operator of the motor vehicle for the failure of a wireless communication device to display financial responsibility information under Subsection (a)(2-a).

SECTION 2. 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 the Senate on April 4, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0; the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 9, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House, with amendment, on May 2, 2013: Yeas 147, Nays 0, two present not voting.

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Effective May 24, 2013.

CHAPTER 154
S.B. No. 233
AN ACT relating to the use of funds of certain municipal hospital authorities.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 262, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Sections 262.0331 and 262.039 to read as follows:

Sec. 262.0331. EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES AFTER SALE OR CLOSING OF HOSPITAL. (a) If, after the sale or closing of a hospital under Section 262.033, the authority does not own or operate a hospital, the board may use the authority's available assets to promote public health and general welfare initiatives that the board determines will benefit the residents served by the authority, including:

1. owning, operating, or funding an indigent health care clinic, medical research facility, medical training facility, or other health care facility;
2. providing direct or indirect financial assistance to a nonprofit organization that: