

Legislative Watch - 88th Legislative Session
Purchasing and Contracting Related Bills
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Bill #	Author	Status	Description
Signed Bills			
HB 679	Bell, Keith	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to limitations on the use of workers' compensation insurance experience modifier values in soliciting and awarding public construction contracts.
HB 1440	Button	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to the authority to approve change orders for certain municipal contracts.
HB 1817	Capriglione	Effective Immediately 6-9-23	Relating to the validity of a contract for which a disclosure of interested parties is required.
HB 2518	Bell, Keith	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to required lease terms for public property leased to a nongovernmental entity; creating a criminal offense.
HB 2738	Thompson, Ed	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to certain indefinite quantity contracts entered into by the General Land Office in the event of a natural disaster.
HB 2777	Holland	Effective Immediately 6-2-23	Relating to the contracting authority of the Parks and Wildlife Department.
HB 2965	Vasut	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to certain construction liability claims concerning public buildings and public works.
HB 3013	Slawson	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to exempting certain contracts from procurement notice requirements.
HB 3156	Leach	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to liability of engineers and certain businesses performing construction monitoring and inspection services for the Texas Department of Transportation.
HB 3437	Holland	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to the authority to approve change orders for certain contracts for the construction, repair, and renovation of water district facilities.
HB 3485	Bell, Keith	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to a contractor's or subcontractor's right to elect not to proceed with additional work under a contract.
HB 3507	Holland	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to contracts for the construction, repair, and renovation of certain conservation and reclamation district facilities.
HB 3989	Raney	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to the adoption of a policy on the preclusion of private design professionals from contracting with the Texas Department of Transportation.
HB 4012	Kitzman	Effective Immediately 6-11-23	Relating to the administration of the electronic state business daily.
HB 5260	Bumgarner	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to the office of vehicle fleet management's plan for the state's vehicle fleet.

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SB 336	Zaffirini	Effective Immediately 6-18-23	Relating to compliance programs at public institutions of higher education.
SB 943	Kolkhorst	Effective 9-1-23	Relating to publication of notices by a governmental entity on the Internet websites of a newspaper and the Texas Press Association.
SB 1021	Nichols	Effective Immediately 5-24-23	Relating to the handling of bids on certain contracts for highway projects.
SB 1260	Creighton	Effective Immediately 5-23-23	Relating to certain contracts regarding airports operated by or on behalf of a local government.
SB 1831	Hinojosa	Effective Immediately 5-19-23	Relating to the purchase of certain goods and services by the Employees Retirement System of Texas.
SB 2013	Schertner, et al.	Effective Immediately 6-9-23	Relating to access to and the security of certain critical infrastructure.

Left Pending at End of Session

HB 217	Murr	Ref. to Business & Industry 2-23	Relating to the limitation on the amount of a subcontractor's lien for labor or materials.
HB 495	Meza	Ref. to State Affairs 2-23	Relating to rest breaks for employees of certain contractors with a governmental entity; providing an administrative penalty.
HB 564	Raymond	Ref. to State Affairs 2-23	Relating to a study on energy-efficient and energy-saving information technologies.
HB 622	Shaheen	Committee report sent to Calendars 5-11	Relating to the publication of required notice by a political subdivision by alternative media.
HB 657	Bailes	Ref. to State Affairs 2-23	Relating to Internet posting of notice by governmental entities and representatives as an alternative to newspaper publication of notice.
HB 658	Cook	Ref. to Juvenile Justice & Family Issues 2-23	Relating to immunity from civil and criminal liability for certain Department of Family and Protective Services contractors who participate in a child abuse or neglect investigation.
HB 713	Shaheen	Committee report sent to Calendars 4-26	Relating to the proprietary purchases process for state agencies.
HB 778	Walle	Committee report sent to Calendars 5-9	Relating to required provision of workers' compensation insurance coverage for employees of building and construction contractors and subcontractors. Companion: SB 283 by Eckhardt, Identical
HB 843	Patterson	Ref. to State Affairs 3-1	Relating to a prohibition on the purchase of periodicals by a state agency.
HB 845	Patterson	Ref. to Higher Education 3-1	Relating to prohibiting a public institution of higher education from providing financial support to nonprofit media organizations.

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HB 850	Reynolds	Ref. to State Affairs 3-1	Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; providing an administrative penalty. Companion: SB 274 by Blanco, Similar
HB 857	Gervin-Hawkins	Left pending in Committee 4-19	Relating to the requirement for payment bonds from certain public work contractors.
HB 876	Raymond	ENGROSSED - S Referred to Bus. & Commerce 5-5	Relating to the purchase of a United States flag or Texas flag by a governmental agency.
HB 1054	Turner	ENGROSSED - S Referred to Nat. Res & Eco. Dev. 5-16	Relating to the classification of certain construction workers and the eligibility of those workers for unemployment benefits; providing an administrative penalty.
HB 1089	Rosenthal	Ref. to State Affairs 3-2	Relating to contracting with companies that boycott or discriminate against certain entities.
HB 1090	Rosenthal	Ref. to State Affairs 3-2	Relating to contracting with companies that boycott Israel.
HB 1091	Rosenthal	Ref. to State Affairs 3-2	Relating to contracting with companies that boycott certain energy companies. Companion: SB 1382 by Eckhardt, Identical
HB 1092	Rosenthal	Ref. to State Affairs 3-2	Relating to contracting with companies that discriminate against the firearm or ammunition industries.
HB 1132	Spiller	ENGROSSED - S Left pending in Committee 5-21	Relating to the amount of an expenditure made by certain political subdivisions for which competitive bidding is required.
HB 1404	Shaheen	Ref. to Public Education 3-3	Relating to prohibiting public schools from purchasing library materials from certain vendors.
HB 1413	Capriglione	Ref. to State Affairs 3-3	Relating to the awarding of certain contracts for software, hardware, or technology services. Companion: HB 4822 by Shaheen, Duplicate
HB 1418	Capriglione	Ref. to State Affairs 3-3	Relating to state agency contracting and certain state employees involved with the contracting.
HB 1622	Moody	Left Pending in Committee 4-18	Relating to procurement procedures for certain municipal housing authorities. Companion: SB 1132 by Blanco, Identical
HB 1717	Hernandez	Ref. to State Affairs 3-7	Relating to the consideration of ownership interests of certain persons with a disability in determining whether a business is a historically underutilized business for purposes of state contracting.
HB 1738	Leach	Left pending in Committee 4-12	Relating to severance pay for political subdivision employees and independent contractors.
HB 1787	Thompson, Ed	Left pending in Committee 4-26	Relating to the method used to select engineers and general contractors for highway construction projects. Companion: SB 2504 by Alvarado, Identical
HB 1918	Lopez, Janie	Placed on General State Calendar 5-11	Relating to publication by the attorney general of a contingent fee contract for legal services for political subdivisions and related information.

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HB 1969	Morales Shaw	Ref. to Transportation 3-8	Relating to on-site identification requirements for certain contractors and subcontractors of the Texas Department of Transportation. Companion: SB 1775 by Alvarado, Identical
HB 2178	Hunter	Left pending in Committee 4-19	Relating to publication of notices by a governmental entity on the Internet websites of a newspaper and the Texas Press Association. Companion: SB 943 by Kolkhorst, Identical
HB 2182	Gonzalez, Jessica	Ref. to State Affairs 3-9	Relating to the consideration of ownership interests of certain persons in determining whether a business is a HUB for purposes of state contracting. Companion: SB 877, Identical
HB 2265	Leach	ENGROSSED - S Placed on Intent Calendar 5-24	Relating to the award of compensatory damages caused by certain delays under governmental construction contracts. Companion: SB 803 by Hughes, Identical
HB 2425	Isaac	Ref. to State Affairs 3-13	Relating to a prohibition on governmental contracts with Chinese companies.
HB 2429	Morrison	Left pending in Committee 5-3	Relating to the use of certain data collected by TWC to determine general prevailing wage rates for certain public work contracts.
HB 2492	Capriglione	Referred to State Affairs 3-13	Relating to the disclosure of certain contracting information under the public information law. Companion: SB 680 by Johnson, Identical
HB 2510	Cain	Referred to Education 5-9	Relating to transparency in certain legal proceedings and contracts involving a school district and a limit on legal fees that may be spent by a school district in certain legal proceedings. Companion: SB 392 by Hall, Identical
HB 2614	Harris, Cody	Left pending in Committee 4-26	Relating to the procurement procedure for certain purchases related to county roads in certain counties.
HB 2657	Leach	Committee report sent to Calendars 5-9	Relating to voidable provisions contained in certain construction contracts. Companion: SB 2207 by Parker, Identical
HB 2710	VanDeaver	Ref. to Public Education 3-13	Relating to school district purchasing of and contracting for goods and services.
HB 2720	Thierry	Ref. to International Relations & Economic Development 3-13	Relating to establishing an intergovernmental development corporation in certain counties to foster minority- or women-owned construction businesses.
HB 2724	Bell, Cecil	Ref. to Higher Education 3-13	Relating to prohibiting a public institution of higher education from partnering with certain private entities for the construction of a student housing facility.
HB 2753	Smithee	Ref. to State Affairs 3-13	Relating to certain agreements with collective bargaining organizations related to certain publicly funded public work contracts. Companion: SB 936 by Hancock, Identical
HB 2758	Paul	Ref. to State Affairs 3-13	Relating to a prohibition on state contracts with certain foreign companies or organizations; authorizing a civil penalty.

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HB 2760	Hefner	Ref. to State Affairs 3-13	Relating to the disclosure of certain gifts, grants, contracts, and financial interests received from a foreign source by certain state agencies, public institutions of higher education, and state contractors, and to the approval and monitoring of employment-related foreign travel and activities by certain public institution of higher education employees; providing civil and administrative penalties. Companion: SB 2459 by Hughes, Identical
HB 2823	Anchia	Ref. to State Affairs 3-14	Relating to state contracts with and investments in certain companies doing business in the Russian Federation. Companion SB 1189 by Parker, Identical
HB 2854	Gervin-Hawkins	Ref. to County Affairs 3-14	Relating to change order limits for construction contracts.
HB 2863	Leo-Wilson	Ref. to State Affairs 3-14	Relating to publication of certain notices on the Internet website of a newspaper.
HB 2928	Turner	Placed on General State Calendar 5-11	Relating to the payment or application of funds under construction contracts.
HB 2977	Harris, Caroline	Placed on General State Calendar 5-11	Relating to the awarding of contracts by the Texas Department of Transportation for certain materials used in road construction projects.
HB 3015	Kuempel	Placed on General State Calendar 5-11	Relating to exclusive contracts for municipal solid waste management services.
HB 3069	Cunningham	Ref. to State Affairs 3-14	Relating to certain government contracts with and investments in companies that boycott Israel.
HB 3117	Morales, Eddie	Ref. to State Affairs 3-14	Relating to the type of newspaper required for the publication of notices by governmental entities or representatives in certain counties.
HB 3245	Manuel	ENGROSSED - S Referred to Local Government 4-18	Relating to consideration of the location of a bidder's principal place of business in certain municipality contracts.
HB 3399	Paul	Ref. to State Affairs 3-15	Relating to governmental contracts with companies that engage in certain economic boycotts.
HB 3406	Spiloloer	Ref. to Business & Industry 3-16	Relating to workers' compensation insurance coverage and bid bonding requirements for small municipal construction projects.
HB 3428	Bryant	Returned to Local & Consent Calendars Committee 5-12	Relating to certain employment restrictions for former county or municipal officers or employees.
HB 3846	Toth	Ref. to State Affairs 3-20	Relating to requiring state contractors, political subdivisions of this state, and private employers to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify. Companion: SB 1621 by Kolkorst, Identical

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HB 3865	Lambert	Committee report sent to Local & Consent Calendar 4-17	Relating to the purchase of goods and services by the Employees Retirement System of Texas to operate its home office. Companion: SB 1831 by Hinojosa, Very Similar
HB 3889	Canales	Laid on the table subject to call 5-4	Relating to the handling of bids on certain contracts for highway projects. Companion: SB 1021 by Nichols, Identical
HB 3933	Oliverson	Left pending in Committee 4-25	Relating to the liability of entities contracted with the Department of Family and Protective Services to provide community-based care or child welfare services. Companion: SB 2022 by Perry, Identical
HB 3960	Frazier	Ref. to State Affairs 3-20	Relating to contracts or agreements entered into by governmental entities involving the enforcement of immigration law or common or contract carriers.
HB 4063	Gonzalez, Jessica	Ref. to State Affairs 3-20	Relating to the use of an electronic bulletin board to post public notice.
HB 4239	Vasut	Left pending in Committee 3-29	Relating to property owner liability for personal injury claims arising from insurance restoration projects in which a contractor or subcontractor does not maintain workers' compensation insurance coverage. Companion: SB 2121 by Creighton, Identical
HB 4297	Gates	Ref. to Environmental Regulation 3-21	Relating to municipal solid waste management services contracts; limiting the amount of a fee.
HB 4418	Anchia	Ref. to State Affairs 3-21	Relating to the creation of a revolving loan program to fund the purchase by historically underutilized businesses of certain bonds required for public work contracts. Companion: SB 949 by West, Identical
HB 4438	Hunter	Ref. to State Affairs 3-21	Relating to access to and the security of certain critical infrastructure. Companion SB 2013 by Schwertner
HB 4552	Longoria	H Returned to Local & Consent Calendars Comm. 5-12	Relating to purchasing by the Department of Information Resources of information technology commodity items. Companion: SB 1125 by Johnson, Identical
HB 4741	Manuel	Ref. to State Affairs 3-22	Relating to the employment of apprentices on certain public works projects.
HB 4822	Shaheen	Ref. to State Affairs 3-23	Relating to the awarding of certain contracts for software, hardware, or technology services. Companion: HB 1413 by Capriglione, Duplicate
HB 4936	Harris, Caroline	Ref. to State Affair 3-23	Relating to the awarding of state agency contracts to new businesses.
HB 4940	Martinez Fischer	Ref. to Ways & Means 3-23	Relating to limitations on the use of public money under certain economic development agreements or programs adopted by certain political subdivisions.
HB 4942	Bernal	Referred to Urban Affairs 3-23	Relating to the amount of an expenditure made by a municipality for which competitive bidding is required.

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HB 5009	Wilson	Ref. to Environmental Regulation 3-23	Relating to the establishment of a certification program for public work contracting purposes for operators of certain facilities that emit air contaminants.
HB 5021	Guerra	Left Pending in Committee 4-18	Relating to requiring Health and Human Services Commission contractors to report certain information regarding subcontractors.
HB 5140	Cain	Referred to State Affairs 3-24	Relating to a prohibition against the consideration of race or ethnicity as a factor in governmental employment or contracting, in other governmental functions, and in higher education admissions.
HB 5151	Martinez	ENGROSSED - S Referred to Transportation 5-16	Relating to the regulation of certain contract carriers and subcontractors of contract carriers.
HB 5184	Romero, Jr.	Left pending in Committee 4-26	Relating to the contracts of certain regional transportation authorities that are required to be competitively bid
HB 5200	Bernal	Referred to Urban Affairs 3-24	Relating to consideration of location of an offeror's principal place of business in awarding certain municipal contracts.
HB 5237	Kitzman	Referred to County Affairs 3-24	Relating to the disclosure of certain contributions, expenditures, and gifts between local government officers and vendors.
HB 5273	Davis	Referred to State Affairs 3-24	Relating to the certification of a historically underutilized business.
SB 283	Eckhardt	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 2-15	Relating to required provision of workers' compensation insurance coverage for employees of building and construction contractors and subcontractors. Companion: HB 778 by Walle, Identical
SB 392	Hall	Ref. to Education 2-15	Relating to transparency in certain legal proceedings and contracts involving a school district and a limit on legal fees that may be spent by a school district in certain legal proceedings. Companion: HB 2510 by Cain, Identical
SB 425	Paxton	Ref. to State Affairs 2-15	Relating to a school district's use of public money to pay fees or dues or provide compensation to a nonprofit state association or organization that engages in certain lobbying activities.
SB 541	Campbell	ENGROSSED - H Referred to State Affairs 4-17	Relating to the barring of certain vendors from participation in certain contracts with the state or a political subdivision.
SB 566	Springer	Ref. to State Affairs 2-17	Relating to the purchase of periodicals by state agencies and certain state officers and to prohibiting state agencies from providing financial support to the news media.
SB 680	Johnson	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 2-17	Relating to the disclosure of certain contracting information under the public information law. Companion: HB 2492 by Capriglione, Identical
SB 713	Hall	Ref. to Education 3-1	Relating to the use of competitive bidding for certain purchases by the Texas Education Agency.
SB 742	Middleton	Ref. to State Affairs 3-1	Relating to a requirement for certain entities to enter into a contract for election services. Companion: HB 1306 by Paul, Identical

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SB 803	Hughes	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-1	Relating to the award of compensatory damages caused by certain delays under governmental construction contracts. Companion Bill: HB 2265 by Leach, Identical
SB 877	Eckhardt	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-1	Relating to the consideration of ownership interests of certain persons in determining whether a business is a HUB for purposes of state contracting. Companion Bill HB 2182, Identical
SB 936	Hancock	ENGROSSED - H Postponed 5-23	Relating to certain agreements with collective bargaining organizations related to certain publicly funded public work contracts. Companion: HB 2753 by Smithee, Identical
SB 949	West	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-3	Relating to the creation of a revolving loan program to fund the purchase by HUBs of certain bonds required for public work contracts. Companion: HB 4418 by Anchia, Identical
SB 1125	Johnson	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-9	Relating to purchasing by the Department of Information Resources of information technology commodity items. Companion: HB 4552 by Longoria, Identical
SB 1132	Blanco	Ref. to Local Government 3-9	Relating to procurement procedures for certain municipal housing authorities. Companion: HB 1622 by Moody, Identical
SB 1181	Miles	Removed from Local & Consent Calendar 5-3	Relating to certain indefinite quantity contracts entered into by the General Land Office in the event of a natural disaster. Companion: HB 2738 by Thompson, Ed, Identical
SB 1189	Parker	Ref. to State Affairs 3-9	Relating to state contracts with and investments in certain companies doing business in the Russian Federation. Companion HB 2823 by Anchia, Identical
SB 1203	Kolkhorst	Ref. to Natural Resources & Economic Development 3-9	Relating to the use of certain data collected by the Texas Workforce Commission to determine general prevailing wage rates for certain public work contracts.
SB 1336	Creighton	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-16	Relating to certain construction liability claims concerning public buildings and public works. Companion: HB 2965 by Vasut, Identical
SB 1382	Eckhardt	Ref. to Natural Resources & Economic Development 3-16	Relating to contracting with companies that boycott certain energy companies. Companion: HB 1091 by Rosenthal, Identical
SB 1453	Hinojosa	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-16	Relating to the authority of a local government to enter into energy savings performance contracts.
SB 1490	Miles	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-16	Relating to the state historically underutilized business program; creating a criminal offense.
SB 1561	Zaffirini	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-16	Relating to the applicability of the job order contracting procurement method to certain buildings and structures.

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SB 1597	Hancock	Left pending in Committee 4-18	Relating to the office of vehicle fleet management's plan for the state's vehicle fleet. Companion: HB 5260 by Bumgarner, Identical
SB 1621	Kolkhorst	Not again placed on intent calendar 5-21	Relating to requiring state contractors, political subdivisions of this state, and private employers to participate in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify. Companion: HB 3846 by Toth, Identical
SB 1671	LaMantia	Left pending in Committee 4-24	Relating to the contracting authority of the Parks and Wildlife Department. Companion: HB 2777 by Holland, Identical
SB 1775	Alvarado	Ref. to Transportation 3-20	Relating to on-site identification requirements for certain contractors and subcontractors of the Texas Department of Transportation. Companion: HB 1969 by Morales Shaw, Identical
SB 1828	Hinojosa	Left pending in Committee 4-18	Relating to the procurement by local governments of energy savings performance contracts for certain conservation measures; creating criminal offenses; authorizing a fee.
SB 1984	Alvarado, et al.	Left pending in Committee 4-13	Relating to public-private partnerships for public and private facilities and infrastructure.
SB 1990	Bettencourt	ENGROSSED - H Referred to Natural Resources 5-4	Relating to the procedure for selecting a provider of professional services by certain water districts.
SB 2022	Perry	Referred to Health & Human Services 3-21	Relating to the liability of entities contracted with the Department of Family and Protective Services to provide community-based care or child welfare services. Companion: HB 3933 by Oliverson, Identical
SB 2062	Kolkhorst	Referred to Health & Human Services 3-21	Relating to bids or proposals required for insurance and risk pool contracts entered into by a school district, municipality, or county.
SB 2121	Creighton	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-21	Relating to property owner liability for personal injury claims arising from insurance restoration projects in which a contractor or subcontractor does not maintain workers' compensation insurance coverage. Companion: HB 4239 by Vasut, Identical
SB 2172	Alvarado	Ref. to Transportation 3-22	Relating to the adoption of a policy on the preclusion of private design professionals from contracting with the Texas Department of Transportation. Companion: HB 3989 by Raney, Identical
SB 2179	LaMantia	Left pending in Committee 4-26	Relating to liability of professional entities performing construction monitoring and inspection services for the Texas Department of Transportation. Companion: HB 3156 by Leach, Identical
SB 2204	Parker	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-22	Relating to exceptions to prohibited contracts or other agreements with certain foreign-owned companies in connection with critical infrastructure in this state.
SB 2207	Parker	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-22	Relating to voidable provisions contained in certain construction contracts. Companion: HB 2657 by Leach, Identical

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SB 2405	Creighton	Ref. to Bus. & Commerce 3-23	Relating to state contracts with Chinese companies and investments in Chinese companies and certain companies doing business with China; authorizing a civil penalty.
SB 2459	Hughes	Ref. to State Affairs 3-23	Relating to the disclosure of certain gifts, grants, contracts, and financial interests received from a foreign source by certain state agencies, public institutions of higher education, and state contractors, and to the approval and monitoring of employment-related foreign travel and activities by certain public institution of higher education employees; providing civil and administrative penalties. Companion: HB 2760 by Hefner, Identical
SB 2484	Paxton	Ref. to Natural Resources & Economic Development 3-23	Relating to prohibiting contracts or other agreements involving the receipt of certain tax incentives by certain foreign-owned companies.
SB 2504	Alvarado	Ref. to Transportation 3-23	Relating to the method used to select engineers and general contractors for certain state highway construction projects. Companion: HB 1787 by Thompson, Ed, Identical
SB 2530	Hughes	ENGROSSED - H Referred to State Affairs 5-6	Relating to state contracts with and investments in certain companies that boycott energy companies.