Legislative Watch - 89th Legislative Session

Purchasing and Contracting Related Bills

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Bill#	Author	Status	Description			
	House Bills					
HB 167	Tepper	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the implementation of diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives and certain prohibited considerations in contracting by governmental entities.			
HB 182	Meza	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to rest breaks for employees of certain governmental entity contractors; providing an administrative penalty.			
HB 206	Craddick	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to limitations on a county's authority to require a cash bond before approving the construction of a pipeline.			
HB 210	Guillen	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to contracting with a school district by a vendor with whom a member of the board of trustees of the district or a related individual has certain business interests; creating a criminal offense.			
HB 223	Capriglione	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to exemptions to competitive requirements for purchases of certain services by a municipality.			
HB 224	Rosenthal	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to contracting with companies that boycott or discriminate against certain entities.			
HB 346	Harris Davila	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to support for new businesses.			
HB 386	Gervin-Hawkins	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to change order limits for certain construction contracts.			
HB 408	Harris Davila	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the awarding of contracts by the Texas Department of Transportation for certain materials used in road construction projects.			
HB 436	Leo Wilson	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the requirement by certain governmental entities for diversity, equity, and inclusion statements and training from employees, prospective employees, and contractors.			
HB 480	Walle	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to required provision of workers' compensation insurance coverage for employees of building and construction contractors and subcontractors. COMPANION: SB 338 by Eckhardt, Identical			
HB 643	Gervin-Hawkins	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the requirement for payment bonds from certain public work contractors.			
HB 652	Harris Davila	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to prohibited uses of public money by certain municipalities and counties that reduce or reallocate funding or resources for certain law enforcement agencies.			
HB 664	Bernal	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to consideration of location of an offeror's principal place of business in awarding certain municipal contracts.			
HB 715	Bernal	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity; providing an administrative penalty.			

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HB 718	Bell, Cecil	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to prohibiting a public institution of higher education from partnering with certain private entities for the construction of a student housing facility.
HB 790	Spiller	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the amount of an expenditure made by certain political subdivisions for which a competitive procurement method may be required to be used.
HB 875	Spiller	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to workers' compensation insurance coverage and bid bonding requirements for small municipal construction projects.
HB 1018	Wilson	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the establishment of a certification program for public work contracting purposes for operators of certain facilities that emit air contaminants.
HB 1028	Shaheen	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to certain political subdivisions publishing required notices by alternative media.
HB 1069	Turner	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the classification of certain construction workers and the eligibility of those workers for unemployment benefits; providing an administrative penalty.
HB 1102	Cole	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to dedication ceremonies for new state buildings.
HB 1111	Reynolds	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the prohibition of certain discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; providing an administrative penalty.
HB 1198	Manuel	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to consideration of the location of a bidder's principal place of business in certain municipal contracts.
HB 1204	Gonzalez, Jessica	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to the consideration of ownership interests of certain persons in determining whether a business is a historically underutilized business for purposes of state contracting. COMPANION: SB 366 by Eckardt, Identical
HB 1308	Tepper	Filed 11-13-24	Relating to employment practices of governmental entities, state contractors, and private employers in this state regarding the legal status of employees, including requiring participation in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify program, and authorizing the suspension of certain licenses held by private employers for certain conduct in relation to the employment of persons not lawfully present.
HB 1488	Louderback	Filed 12-2-24	Relating to employment practices of governmental entities, state contractors, and private employers in this state regarding the legal status of employees, including requiring participation in the federal electronic verification of employment authorization program, or E-verify program, and authorizing the suspension of certain licenses held by private employers for certain conduct in relation to the employment of persons not lawfully present; providing an administrative penalty.
HB 1697	Canales	Filed 12-20-24	Relating to the management, operation, and contract authority of open-enrollment charter schools.
HB 1715	Cain	Filed 12-30-24	Relating to a required provision in certain governmental entity contracts regarding the carrying of handguns by license holders.
HB 1735	Schatzline	Filed 1-6-25	Relating to the creation of the Texas Local Government Accountability Association; authorizing a fee.
HB 1851	Morales, Eddie	Filed 1-15-25	Relating to the disposition of certain surplus motor vehicles and other law enforcement equipment by the Texas Facilities Commission to certain school districts.

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HB 1907	Paul	Filed 1-16-25	Relating to a prohibition on governmental contracts with Chinese companies for certain information and communications technology; authorizing a civil penalty; creating a criminal offense.
HB 1951	Hefner	Filed 1-17-25	Relating to certain agreements with collective bargaining organizations related to certain publicly funded public work contracts.
HB 1998	Spiller	Filed 1-22-25	Relating to the amount of an expenditure made by certain political subdivisions for which a competitive procurement method may be required.
HB 2148	Gervin-Hawkins	Filed 1-28-25	Relating to the construction manager-at-risk and design-build methods of project delivery for a public work contract.
HB 2169	Slawson	Filed 1-28-25	Relating to certain contracts for the lease, license, sale, use, or distribution of the State Bar of Texas' intellectual property.
HB 2186	Hernandez	Filed 1-28-25	Relating to the regulation of elevator mechanics, elevator apprentices, and contractors; requiring an occupational registration.
			Senate Bills
SB 103	Hall	Filed 11-12-24	Relating to prohibiting the purchase of or acquisition of title to real property by and contracts or other agreements with certain aliens or foreign entities.
SB 222	West	Filed 11-12-24	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.
SB 324	Kolkhorst	Filed 11-12-24	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.
SB 338	Eckhardt	Filed 11-13-24	Relating to required provision of workers' compensation insurance coverage for employees of building and construction contractors and subcontractors. COMPANION: HB 480 by Walle, Identical
SB 339	Eckhardt	Filed 11-13-24	Relating to authorization for a county or municipality to establish a local minimum wage.
SB 366	Eckhardt	Filed 11-14-24	Relating to the consideration of ownership interests of certain persons in determining whether a business is a historically underutilized business for purposes of state contracting. COMPANION: HB 1204 by Gonzales, Jessica, Identical
SB 480	Perry	Filed 11-22-24	Relating to the authority of a local government to enter into an interlocal contract with certain governmental entities to participate in water research or planning activities.
SB 504	Kolkhorst	Filed 11-25-24	Relating to the disclosure of certain financial information by certain nonprofit organizations that enter into sizeable contracts with political subdivisions.
SB 553	Flores	Filed 12-9-24	Relating to the design-build method for certain government construction projects.
SB 687	Hughes	Filed 12-20-24	Relating to liability for land surveying services in or in connection with certain construction or services contracts.

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SI	В 776	Hughes	Filed 1-13-25	Relating to the award of compensatory damages caused by certain delays under governmental construction contracts.
SI	B 794	Alvarado		Relating to the method used to select engineers and general contractors for certain transportation-related construction projects.
SI	B 830	Parker	Filed 1-16-25	Relating to the amount of an expenditure made by a municipality for which competitive bidding is required.
SI	В 925	Hancock		Relating to certain agreements with collective bargaining organizations related to certain publicly funded public work contracts.
SI	B 937	Parker	Filed 1-27-25	Relating to bidding or procurement requirements for improvement projects in public improvement districts.