

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE February 9, 2017

TO The Honorable Members of the Legislative Ad Hoc Committee: Lee M. Kleinman (Chair), Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Erik Wilson (Vice Chair), Tiffinni A. Young, Adam Medrano, Jennifer S. Gates, Scott Griggs and Rickey D. Callahan

SUBJECT **85th Texas Legislative Session Update**

On Monday, February 13, 2017 the Legislative Ad Hoc Committee will receive a briefing on the 85th Texas Legislative Session Update. The briefing will be presented by Anna Lamberti Holmes, Assistant City Attorney.

The materials are attached for your review.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.


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City Manager

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85th Texas Legislative Session Update

Legislative Ad Hoc Committee

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MAKEUP OF THE HOUSE AND THE SENATE

The Dallas Delegation is co-led by Rep. Linda Koop and Rep. Eric Johnson

- The House of Representatives
 - 95 Republicans
 - 55 Democrats
- HB 1
 - Sets spending at \$108.9B
 - Prioritizes public education, CPS reform and Mental Health Funding
 - Reduces General Government funds by \$1.2B
 - Decreases Business and Economic Development funds by \$623M
- The Senate
 - 20 Republicans
 - 11 Democrats
- SB 1
 - Sets spending at \$103.6B
 - Prioritizes transportation resources and CPS reform
 - Imposes a 1.5% across the board reduction in Article IX (General Provisions)
 - \$800M decrease in Higher Education

LEADERSHIP AND EARLY PRIORITIES

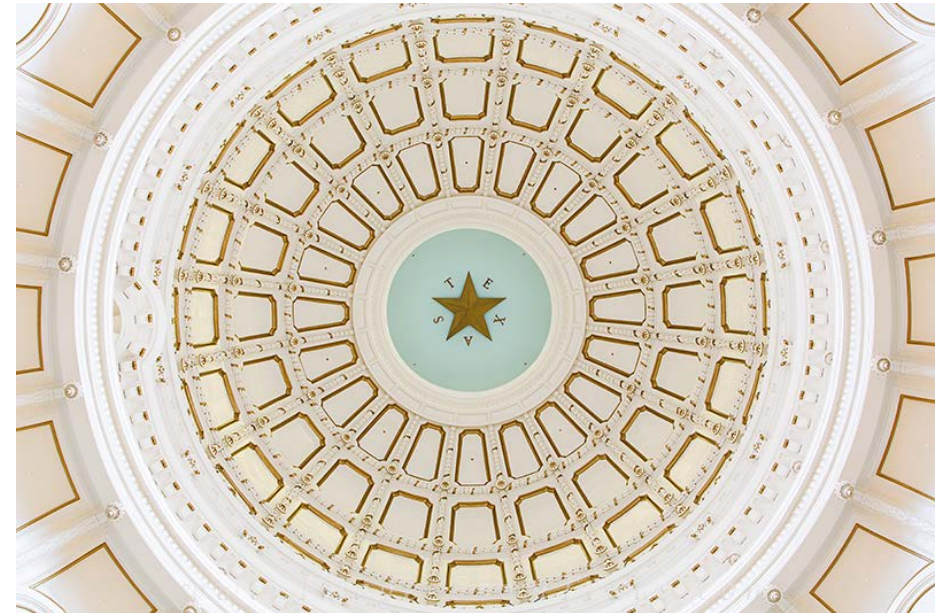
- Governor Greg Abbott delivered his State of the State address and laid out the following emergency items:
 - Reforming CPS
 - Banning Sanctuary Cities
 - Ethics Reform
 - A resolution calling for a Convention of States
- Joe Straus was unanimously reelected as Speaker of the House. His priorities include:
 - Mental Health
 - Reforming CPS
 - Public Education Finance Reform
- Lieutenant Patrick gaveled in the Senate and put forth the following agenda:
 - Property Tax Reform
 - Banning Sanctuary Cities
 - Women's Privacy Act
 - School Choice

MAJOR BILLS OF INTEREST

As of February 9, there have been 2,530 bills filed in the Senate and the House.

■ Bills of Interest

- **SB 2 (Bettencourt):** Imposes a 4% rate cap on property taxation, mandatory elections for certain rate increases, and other property tax changes
- **SB 4 (Perry):** Looks to prohibit sanctuary city policies that forbid local law enforcement from inquiring about a person's immigration status and complying with detainer requests
- **SB 6 (Kolkhorst):** Mandates people to use public restrooms that match their biological sex



SENATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Member	Committee
Senator Hall	Transportation (Vice Chair) Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs Veteran Affairs & Border Security Education
Senator Huffines	Veteran Affairs & Border Security (Vice Chair) Administration Intergovernmental Relations Natural Resources & Economic Development Education
Senator West	Higher Education (Vice Chair) Administration Finance Education

HOUSE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Member	Committee
Representative Alonzo	Pensions (Vice- Chair) Calendars, Higher Education
Representative Anchia	International Trade & Intergovernmental Affairs (Chair) Pensions, State and Federal Power Responsibility
Representative Burkett	Redistricting (Chair) Local & Consent Calendars, Public Health, Transportation
Representative Button	Economic & Small Business Development (Chair) Higher Education
Representative Davis	Ways & Means (Vice-Chair) Transportation
Representative Giddings	State Affairs (Vice Chair) Appropriations, Calendars
Representative Johnson	Redistricting (Vice-Chair), Investments & Financial Services, State and Federal Power and Responsibility, Ways & Means
Representative Koop	Appropriations, Calendars, Public Education
Representative Meyer	Public Education, State Affairs
Representative Neave	County Affairs, Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence
Representative Rose	Appropriations, Calendars, Human Services
Representative Villalba	Business & Industry, Economic & Small Business Development

QUESTIONS?