



**City of Dallas**

# 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature Update

**Legislative Ad Hoc Committee  
June 10, 2021**

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# 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session Wrap-Up



- 87th Legislative Session was dominated by the following:
  - COVID-19 Pandemic
  - Ominous Budget / Economy
  - Power Grid Crisis
  - Broad-based ban on local regulations
- Conservative Priorities
  - Permitless Carry
  - Election Law
  - Bills identified by the Governor, Lt. Governor, and Speaker
  - Social Issues



# 87<sup>th</sup> Legislature Statistics



- 7,385 total bills filed
- 1,174 sent to governor
- 1,400+ bills filed of interest to the City of Dallas
- 165 bills passed of interest to the City of Dallas
- 10 bills of interest to the City of Dallas are effective immediately



# Preemptive Legislation



<u>Bill #</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Caption</u>	<u>Sent to Gov.</u>	<u>Signed by Gov.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
<a href="#">HB 17</a>	Deshotel	Relating to a restriction on the regulation of utility services and infrastructure based on the energy source to be used or delivered	5/6/2021	5/18/2021	5/18/2021
<a href="#">HB 29</a>	Swanson	Relating to authorizing the provision of temporary secure storage for weapons at certain public buildings	5/31/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">HB 525</a>	Shaheen	Relating to the protection of religious organizations	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">HB 871</a>	Morrison	Relating to the municipal fees charged to certain air conditioning and refrigeration contractors	5/22/2021	6/4/2021	9/1/2021
<a href="#">HB 1869</a>	Burrows	Relating to the definition of debt for the purposes of calculating certain ad valorem tax rates of a taxing unit	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1900</a>	Goldman	Relating to municipalities that adopt budgets that defund municipal police departments	6/1/2021	NO	N/A





# Preemptive Legislation (cont.)



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<a href="#">HB 1925</a>	Capriglione	Relating to prohibitions on camping in a public place	5/31/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2404</a>	Meyer	Relating to the creation and maintenance of a database of information regarding certain local economic development agreements	5/20/2021	6/3/2021	9/1/2021
<a href="#">SB 3</a>	Schwertner	Relating to preparing for, preventing, and responding to weather emergencies, power outages, and other disasters	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">SB 19</a>	Schwertner	Relating to prohibited contracts with companies that discriminate against the firearm or ammunition industries	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">SB 877</a>	Hancock	Relating to the inspection of municipal buildings during a declared disaster	5/29/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">SJR 27</a>	Hancock	Proposing a constitutional amendment to prohibit this state or a political subdivision of this state from prohibiting or limiting a religious service conducted by a religious organization	Filed with Secretary of State on 5/19/2021		



# Favorable Legislation



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<a href="#">HB 2911</a>	White	Relating to next generation 9-1-1 service and the establishment of a next generation 9-1-1 service fund	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">SB 1495</a>	Huffman	Relating to certain criminal offenses related to highways and motor vehicles	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">SB 2181</a>	West	Relating to the use of hotel occupancy tax revenue by certain municipalities for certain projects	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2315</a>	Turner	Relating to the forfeiture of contraband relating to the criminal offense of racing on a highway	6/1/2021	NO	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1024</a>	Geren	Relating to the pickup and delivery of alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption	5/4/2021	5/12/2021	5/12/2021



# New Legislation Currently in Effect



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<a href="#">HB 17</a>	Deshotel	Relating to a restriction on the regulation of utility services and infrastructure based on the energy source to be used or delivered	5/6/2021	5/18/2021	5/18/2021
<a href="#">HB 54</a>	Talarico	Relating to prohibiting law enforcement departments from contracting with television crews	5/14/2021	5/26/2021	5/26/2021
<a href="#">HB 1024</a>	Garen	Relating to the pickup and delivery of alcoholic beverages for off-premises consumption	5/4/2021	5/12/2021	5/12/2021
<a href="#">HB 1116</a>	Thompson	Relating to toll collection and enforcement on state highway toll lanes by entities other than the Texas Department of Transportation	5/4/2021	Filed without Signature by Governor on 5/15/2021	5/12/2021
<a href="#">HB 1118</a>	Capriglione	Relating to state agency and local government compliance with cybersecurity training requirements	5/6/2021	5/18/2021	5/18/2021





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<a href="#">SB 58</a>	Zaffirini	Relating to purchasing of cloud computing services by a political subdivision	5/20/2021	6/3/2021	6/3/2021
<a href="#">SB 315</a>	Huffman	Relating to restrictions on the age of persons employed by or allowed on the premises of a sexually oriented business	5/12/2021	5/24/2021	5/24/2021
<a href="#">SB 390</a>	Eckhardt	Relating to the date of dissolution of the Save Historic Muny District	5/12/2021	5/24/2021	5/24/2021
<a href="#">SB 858</a>	Johnson	Relating to the disclosure of information collected by a regional transportation authority under the public information law	5/19/2021	5/28/2021	5/28/2021
<a href="#">SB 1334</a>	Hinojosa	Relating to the donation to the United States of certain facilities relating to a toll bridge by certain municipalities	5/6/2021	5/18/2021	5/18/2021



# Next Steps



- City Attorney's Office will work with city departments to implement state mandates via code amendments or policy changes
- Legislative Team interim initiatives
  - Monitor plans for a special legislative session (election bill, redistricting, other preemption bills)
  - Monitor state interim charges and agency actions
  - Outreach and communication with state delegates
  - Identify issues of interest for City legislative priorities for the 88th State Legislative Session



- Questions?



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The logo of the City of Dallas, featuring a stylized white 'D' on a dark blue background. Inside the 'D' is a white three-leaf plant. Below the 'D' is the text 'City of Dallas' in white.

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