



# **2017 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA**

## **REGULAR AND SPECIAL SESSION RECAP**

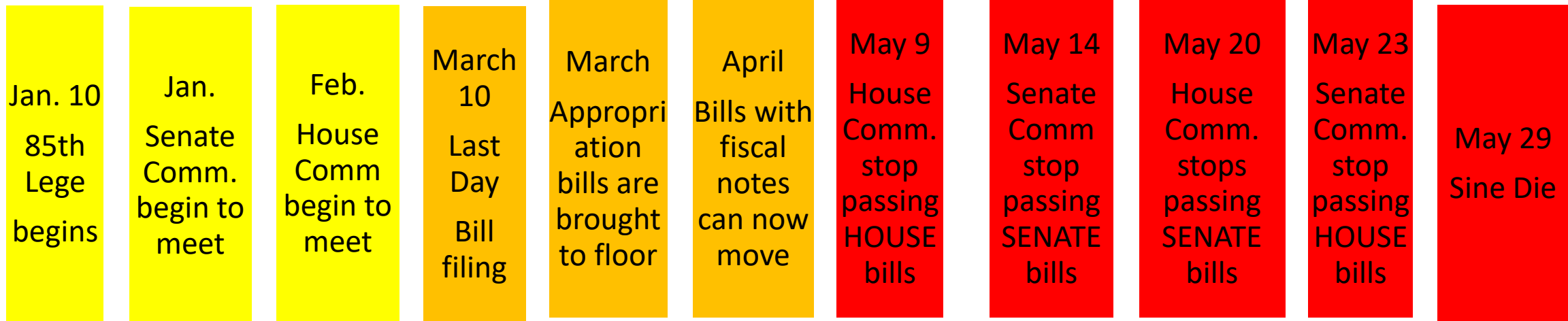
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# During session, the Texas Legislature drives our...

## WORK TIMELINES.



# 2017 TEXAS LEGISLATURE: BY THE NUMBERS

Year	Total Bills Introduced	Total Bills Passed	City-Related bills introduced	City-Related bills passed
<b>75<sup>th</sup>-1997</b>	<b>5,629</b>	<b>1,487</b>	<b>1,100+</b>	<b>130+</b>
76 <sup>th</sup> -1999	5,813	1,622	1,230+	130+
77 <sup>th</sup> -2001	5,612	1,601	1,200+	150+
78 <sup>th</sup> -2003	5,633	1,384	1,200+	110+
79 <sup>th</sup> -2005	5,512	1,389	1,200+	105+
80 <sup>th</sup> -2007	6,241	1,481	1,200+	120+
81 <sup>st</sup> -2009	7,464	1,459	1,500+	120+
82 <sup>nd</sup> -2011	5,938	1,379	1,500+	160+
83 <sup>rd</sup> -2013	5,950	1,437	1,900+	220+
84 <sup>th</sup> -2015	6,476	1,329	1,900+	220+
<b>85<sup>th</sup> – 2017</b>	<b>6,800</b>	<b>1,208</b>	<b>2500+</b>	<b>294</b>

# 85<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE — BILLS FILED

- **6,631** # of Bills filed (i.e. – proposed ideas)
- **169** # of proposed Constitutional Amendments (JRs)
- **80** # of Bills/JRs filed **per day**
- **3,089** # of Bills/JR's filed in last 10 business days before filing deadline (47%)



# THE AGENDAS

## Abbott

- Four Emergency Items: CPS, Sanctuary Cities, Ethics, and a Convention of the States; added a fifth: Voter ID

## Patrick

- SB 1-30: Property Tax Caps, School Choice, “Bathroom Bill,” Sanctuary Cities, Voter ID, State Spending Caps, Hailstorm

## Straus

- School Funding, CPS, Mental Health, Infrastructure, Higher Education



# WHAT PASSED

1. State budget
2. TxDOT sunset
3. RRC sunset
4. CPS reforms
5. Mental health reforms
6. Sandra Bland Act
7. Child trafficking reforms
8. Ethics reforms
9. Public education reforms
10. Cybersecurity
11. Texting while driving
12. Sanctuary cities
13. Convention of the States
14. Voter ID
15. Pro-Life
16. Gun permit fees
17. Protective vests for police
18. Elimination straight party voting
19. TNC/Ride hailing (Uber)
20. Dallas & Houston pension



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# WHAT DID NOT PASS

- No legislation passed affecting:
  - School finance
  - School choice
  - Bathrooms/LGBT
  - Franchise tax reductions
  - Medical marijuana
  - Higher education funding/tuition



# TEXAS LEGISLATURE LENS: PRIORITY ISSUES

Revenue  
Caps

Annexation

Austin  
Energy

Small Cell

Payday  
Lending

Bathrooms

Super  
Preemption

Fair Chance  
Hiring

TNC's

Short-term  
Rentals

Plastic Bag  
Ban



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# ALL ITEMS ON GOVERNOR'S CALL

1. Teacher salary & benefits
2. School funding
3. Vouchers
4. Property tax reform
5. Spending limits
6. Annexation
7. Trees
8. Permitting
9. Changing the rules
10. Texting
11. Bathrooms
12. Unions dues
13. Abortion provider funds
14. Abortion provider coverage
15. Abortion reporting
16. Do-not-resuscitate
17. Mail-in ballot fraud
18. Maternal Mortality task force
19. Sunset scheduling
20. Sunset – Medical Board



# SPECIAL SESSION CITY ITEMS ON THE CALL

Revenue Caps

Annexation

Permitting

Parkland  
Dedication

Trees

Bathrooms

Spending Caps

Hands Free

Development/  
Preemption



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# ITEMS THAT PASSED

1. Teacher salary & **benefits (TRS Care)**
2. School funding (**school finance commission**)
3. Vouchers
4. Property tax reform
5. Spending limits
6. **Annexation**
7. **Trees (Mitigation Fees)**
8. Permitting
9. Changing the rules
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# QUESTIONS?

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